Guelph Public Library

Explore • Connect • Thrive

2023 Community Impact

Executive Summary

Guelph Public Library has been enriching the Guelph community by inspiring discovery, curiosity, and creativity for 141 years.

GPL offers 6 vibrant community gathering spaces, with diverse & inclusive collections, programs, and services that promote lifelong education, entertainment, and exploration in support of an inclusive, connected, prosperous city.

Much like the community it serves, the library continues to thrive, providing 20.7K hours of service, over 354 days in 2023.

Work Together to Build a Resilient Community

Identify and create inclusive and accessible opportunities for communities to inform supports and resources they want from GPL.

- Community outreach
- Minimize hidden barriers
- Engage non-users

Community Resource Fair

Free Admission!

Raffle Prize!

Thursday, April 20, 2023 | 5:00-7:30 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic High School
54 Westmount Road, Guelph, ON

Join us for an evening of fun exploring supports, programs and services available to those with intellectual, developmental and/or other disabilities in our community including:

- Ministry funded developmental service agencies
- Private day programs
- Community supports and services
- Employment and volunteer agencies
- Camp, sport, recreation and respite providers
- Financial and investment consultants

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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

PCDT
Passport Community Development Team

CENTRAL WEST SPECIALIZED DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

UPPER GRAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Wellington Catholic
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

ART on the street

drawing by ELEANOR STEWART

GUELPH & DISTRICT MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL
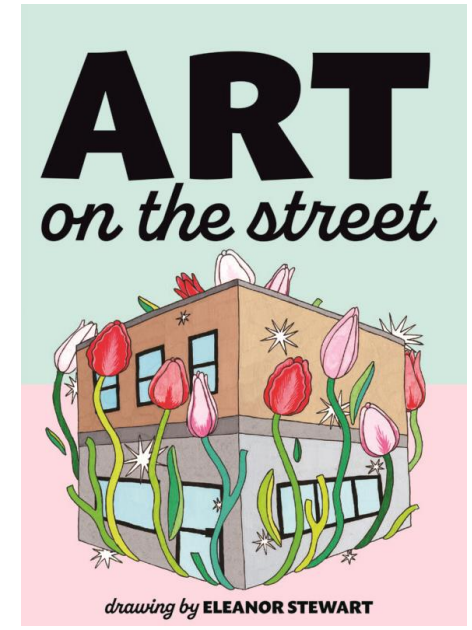
ONE WORLD LIVING TOGETHER

10th GEORGESTOCK ANNUAL COMMUNITY PICNIC
JULY 15, 2023 | 4-8PM | ST. GEORGE'S PARK

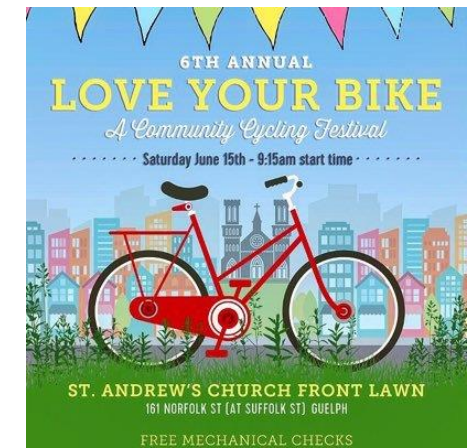LAWN GAMES * KIDS ACTIVITIES * FACE PAINTING * FIRE TRUCK * BBQ * BYO PICNIC
WWW.SGPNG.ORG/EVENT-DETAILS/GEORGESTOCK

6TH ANNUAL
LOVE YOUR BIKE
A Community Cycling Festival
Saturday June 15th - 9:15am start time

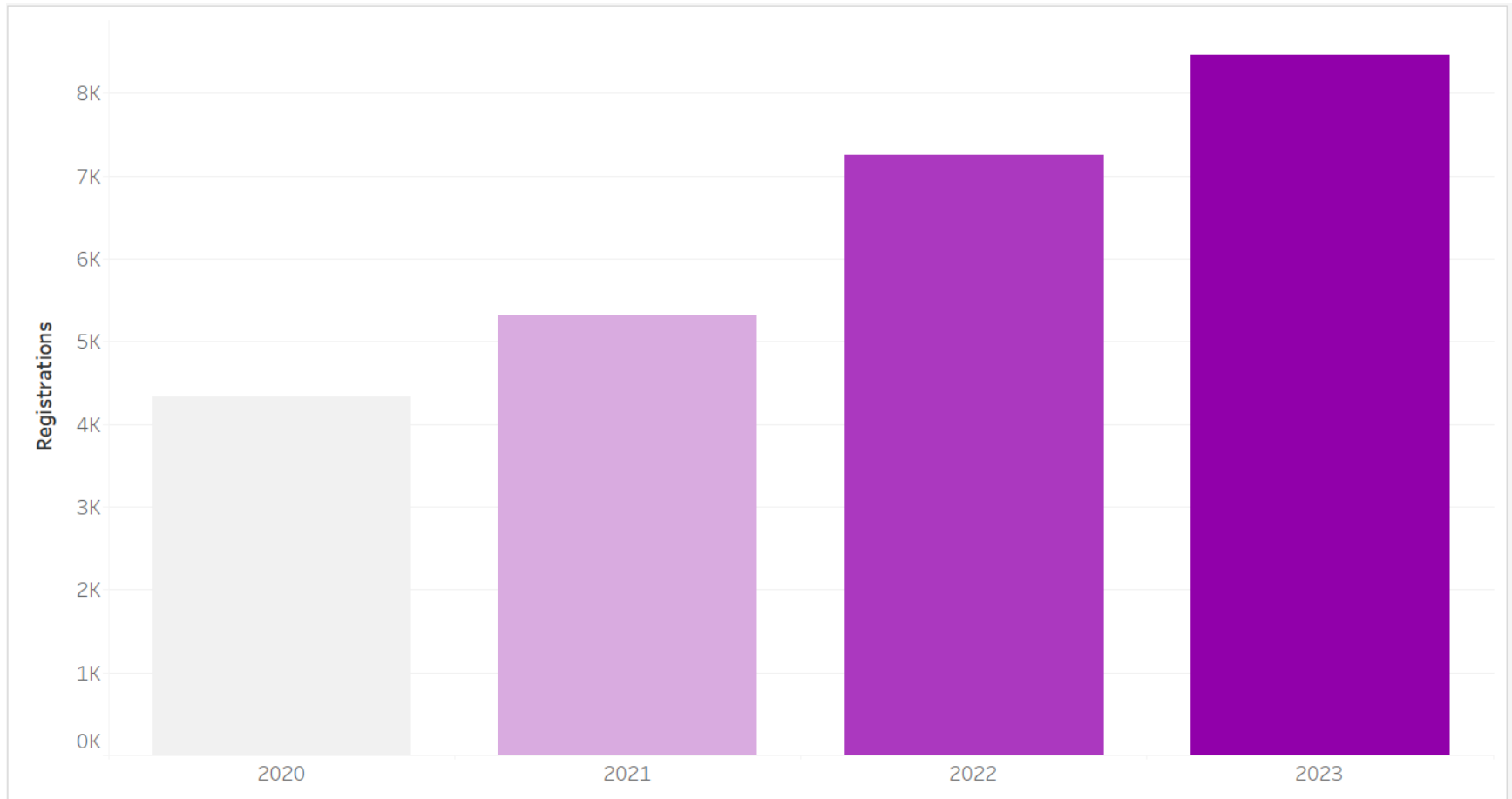ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH FRONT LAWN
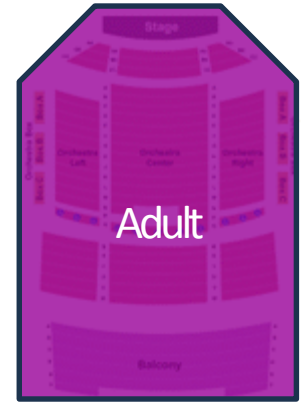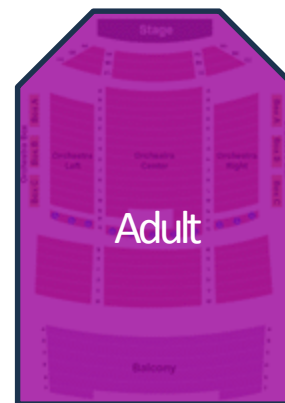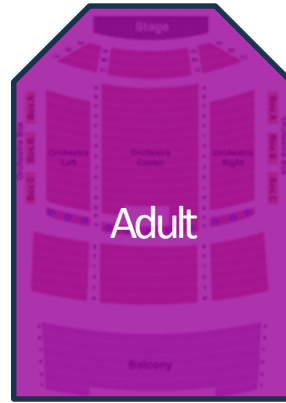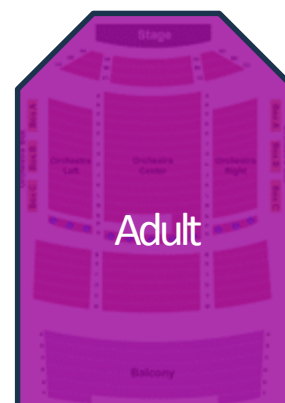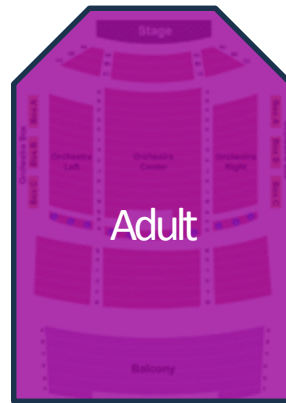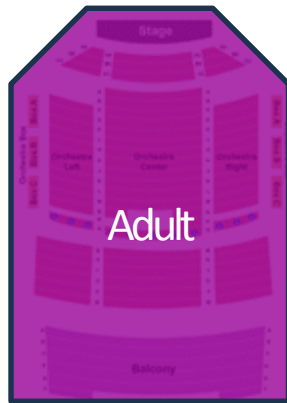161 NORFOLK ST (AT SUFFOLK ST) GUELPH
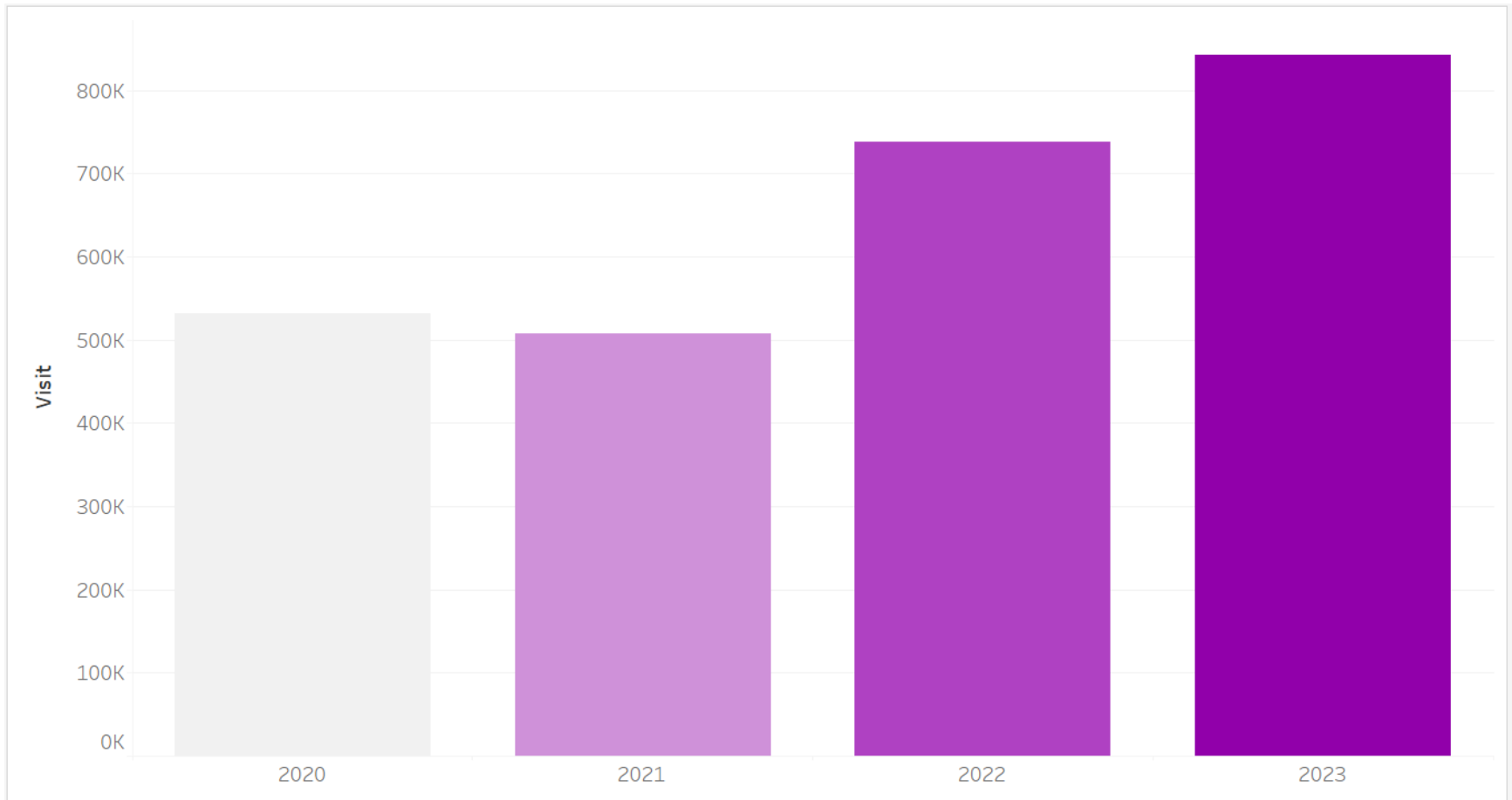
FREE MECHANICAL CHECKS

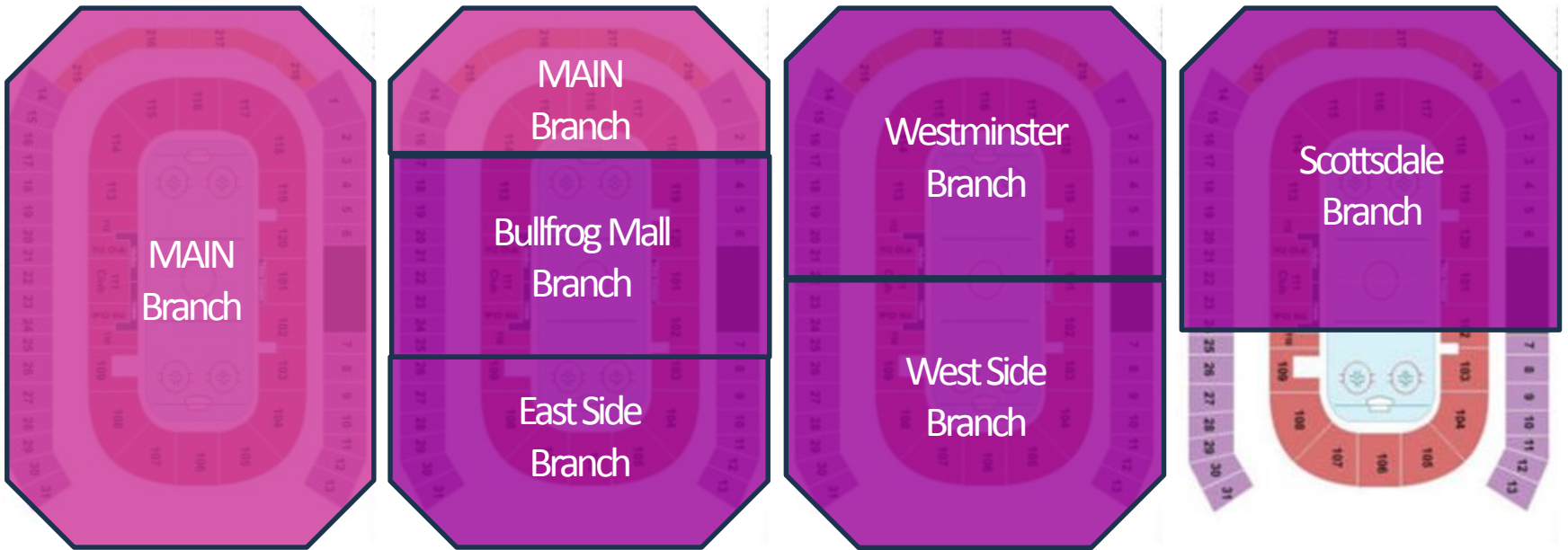# Crisis Intervention

8,454 Account Registrations

New patrons would fill a theatre 10x
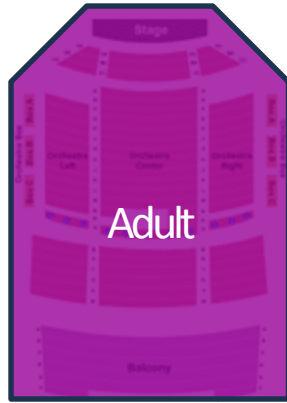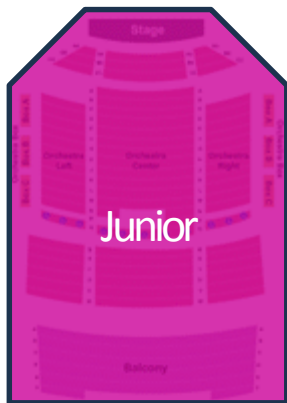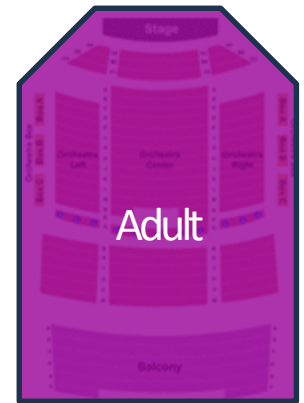
842,056 Foot Traffic

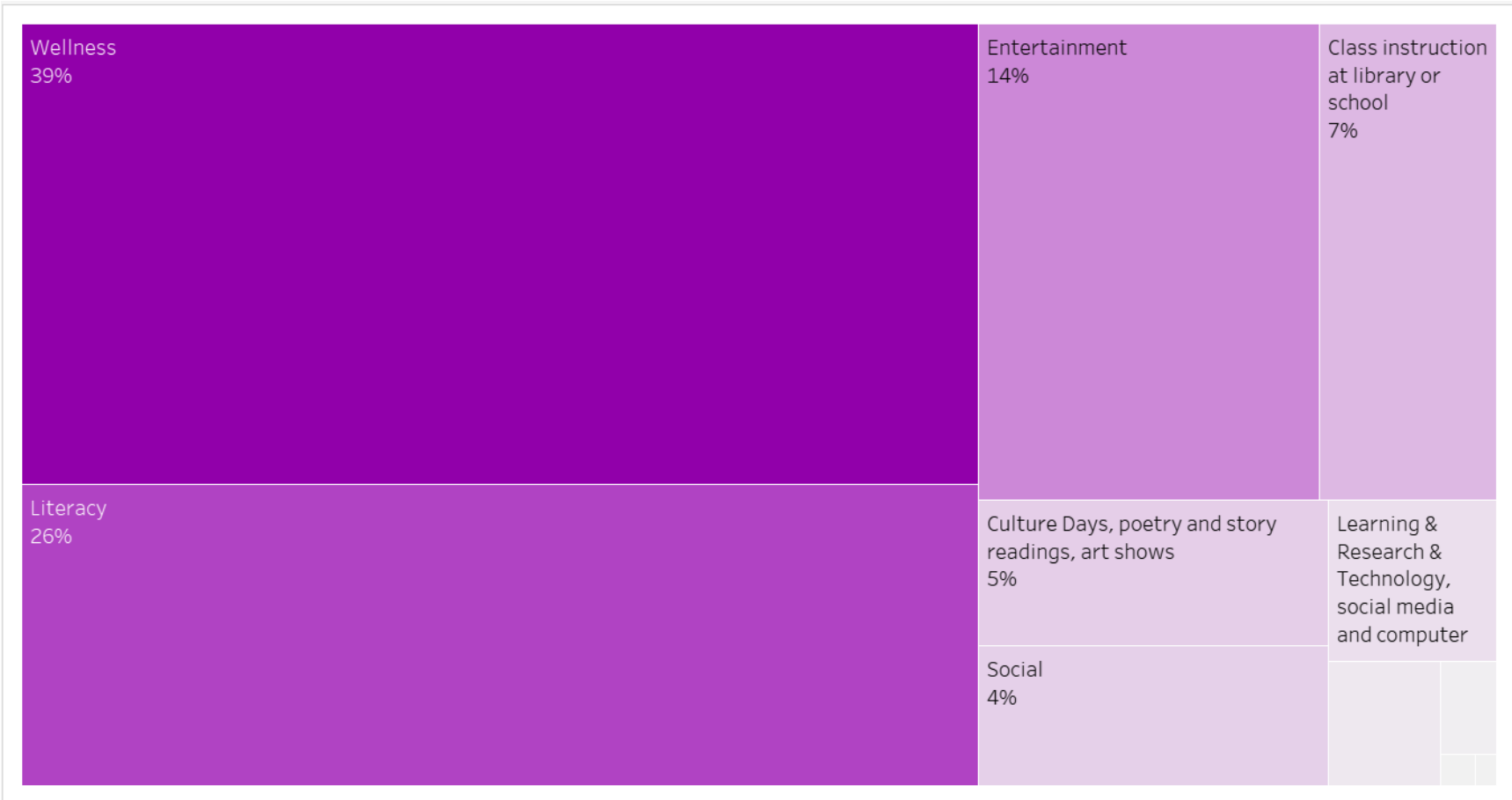# In person visits would fill a stadium 3.6x per week

Reflect Our Changing Community

Make the library more relevant to meet the communities changing post-pandemic needs.
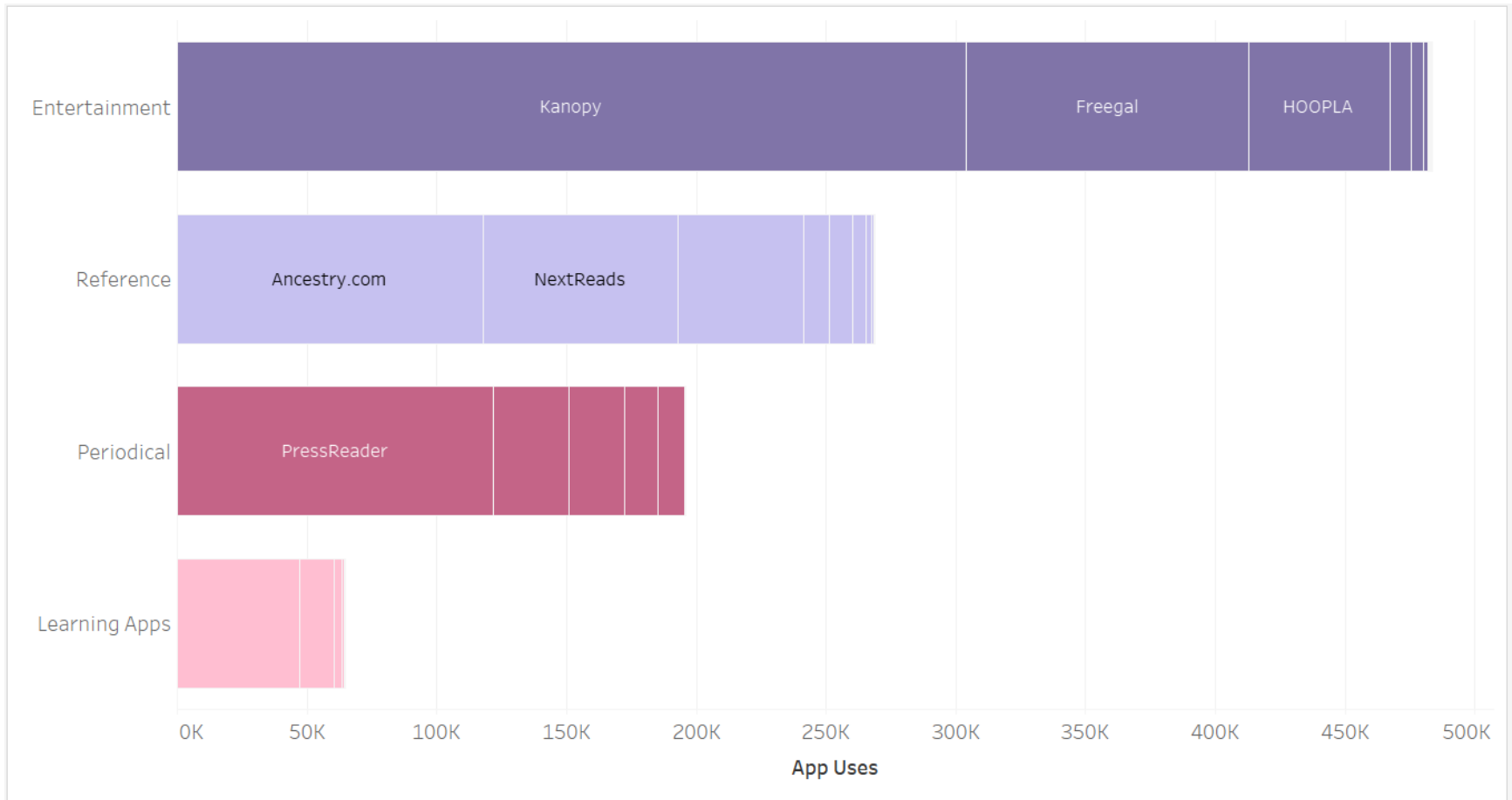
- Expand programming
- Modernize branch services
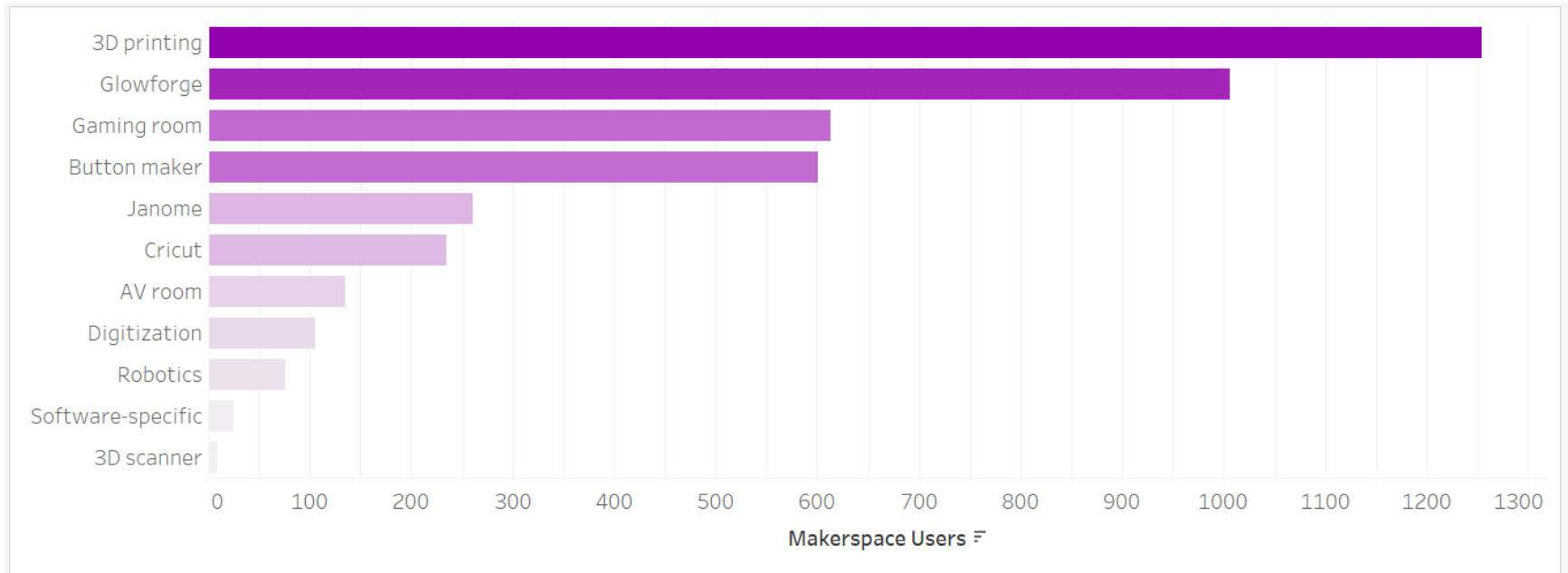- Makerspace and equipment
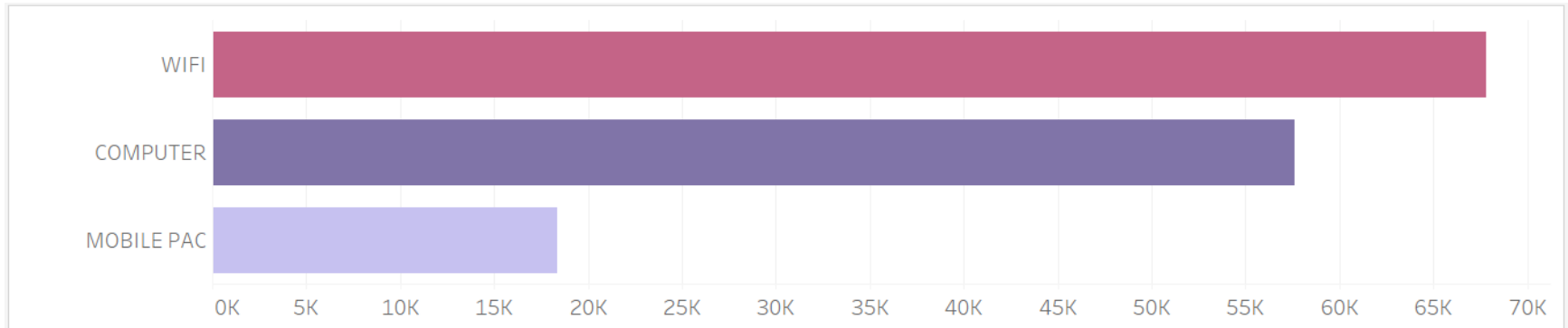- Resume pre-pandemic services

25,954 Program Attendees

Wellness
39%

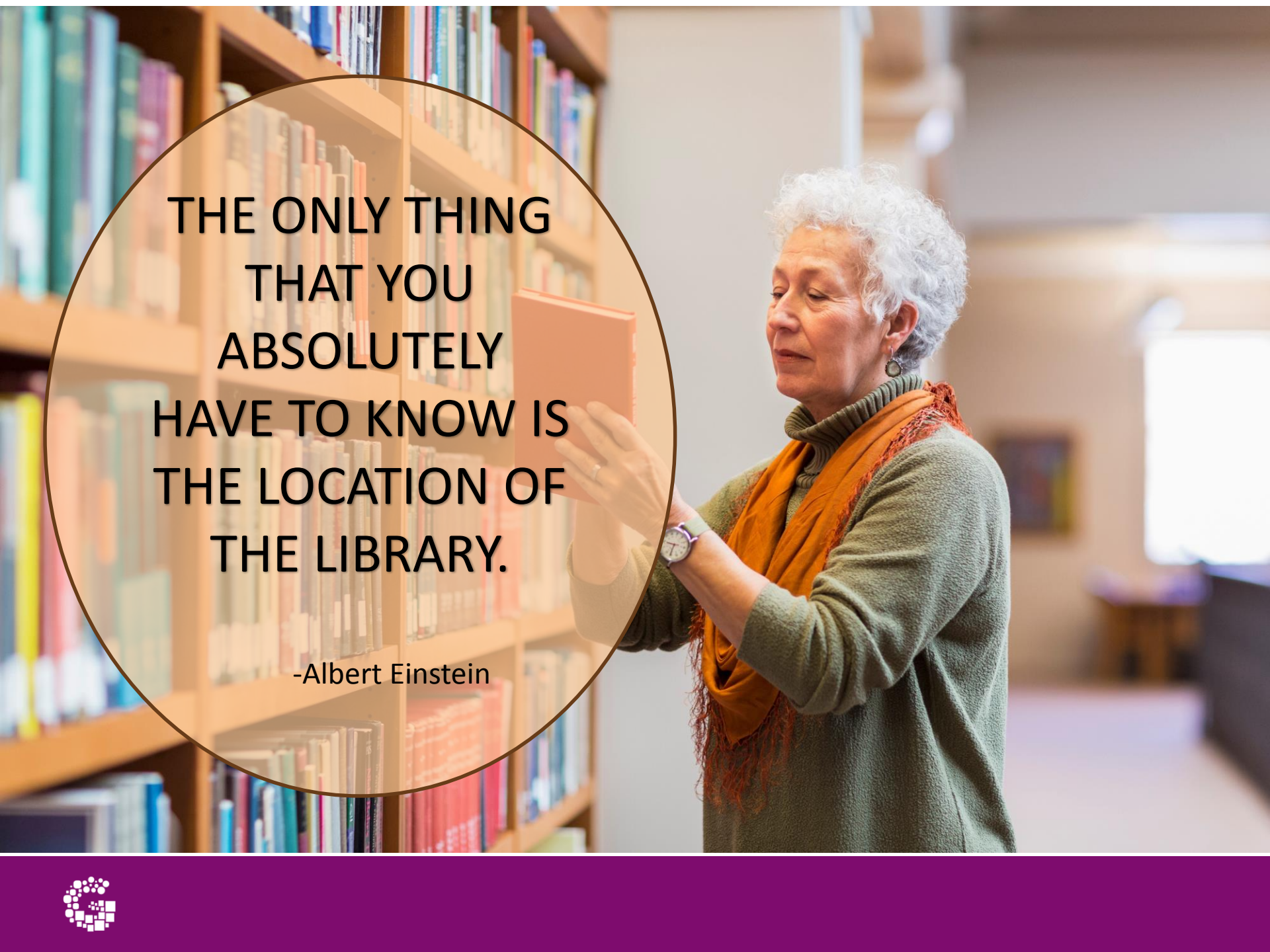Entertainment
14%

Class instruction at library or school
7%

Literacy
26%

Culture Days, poetry and story readings, art shows
5%

Learning & Research & Technology, social media and computer

Social
4%

743,279 EResources Uses

148,203 Technology Uses

2,233,111 Items Circulated

THE ONLY THING THAT YOU ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO KNOW IS THE LOCATION OF THE LIBRARY.

-Albert Einstein