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## Central City Public Library

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To: Merrick County Board of Supervisors  
Subject: FY 15-16 Year-End Report

Our library wishes to extend our appreciation for the funding that our library received last year from the county. Currently, our library offers services to 4,603 Merrick County residents at no charge.

Here are some highlights from the year:

- Once again, our library was rated a 5 star library from the Library Journal's Index of Public Library Service. This recognition is attributed to the great support from our City and County!
- A big project that was completed, was the replacement of the original roof of the library. The 24 year old shake shingles were replaced with triple layer shake look shingles.
- New programs included: LEGO Club (monthly after-school program for elementary & middle-school aged kids), Scrabble Club (monthly evening for Scrabble players), Color Me Calm Tuesdays (Adult Coloring all day on Tuesdays), and Coffee Break Mondays (coffee with add-in flavorings available Monday mornings from 10am-1:30pm).
- We were able to add another AWE (Advanced Workstations in Education) computer in the children's section due to a grant from the Nebraska Library Commission. This workstation is actually a tablet (geared for older children ~ ages 6-12 years old). Our other two AWE desktop type stations receive a lot of use throughout the year.

Please find attached a copy of this year's budget and a copy of our city trust fund. The funds that are received from the county are placed into that trust fund. With your funding, our library has been able to provide numerous best seller books, movies, and audio CD's to Merrick County residents. With your support, our library will continue to be a great asset to the county! Thank-you for your continuing support and contribution!

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Library Director