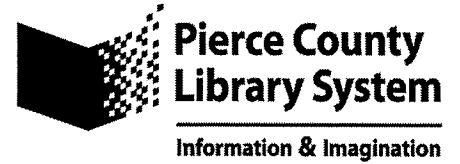


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Date: January 24, 2012

To: Chair Stephen Albers and Members of the Board

From: Neel Parikh, Executive Director

Subject: 2011 Reciprocal Borrowing Report

Attached for your information is a report regarding the use of Pierce County Library System by patrons from the four cities with whom we recently developed reciprocal borrowing agreements. I have shared this data with all four cities and requested Pierce County Library use data from them. To date I have only received information regarding our customers' use of Seattle Public Library. I do expect information later.

Library	2010		2011	
	Cardholders	Circulation	Cardholders	Circulation
Puyallup	2,068	83,235	2,231	77,565
Roy	69	1,215	68	1,913
Seattle	200	2,808	144	3,703
Tacoma	6,858	223,167	6,081	239,344

As in the past year, Tacoma Public Library patrons continue to be the highest users of our library. As you can see in the chart, Tacoma use of Pierce County Library System has grown. It is particularly notable that Tacoma use of University Place library represents over 17% of their overall circulation. Seattle and Roy use has increased while Puyallup use has decreased. Tacoma also asked me how many cardholders we had in Pierce County Library. That information is also on the chart.

I hope that at the Board meeting I will have additional information from other cities.