

Operating Budget Monitoring Report – April 30, 2012

Date:	May 28, 2012
To:	Toronto Public Library Board
From:	City Librarian

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide the Toronto Public Library Board with a summary of gross and net expenditures of the Library for the four months ending on April 30, 2012.

As of April 30, 2012, Toronto Public Library (TPL) reports a favourable net expenditure variance of \$2.566 million, consisting of a favourable expenditure variance of \$2.161 million and a favourable revenue variance of \$0.405 million.

A year-to-date surplus of \$2.566 million is primarily attributable to savings as a result of the Toronto Public Library Workers Union, Local 4948 CUPE labour disruption in March 2012. The year-end projection similarly reflects the savings from the labour disruption.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Net expenditures for the four-month period ending April 30, 2012 were under-spent by \$2.566 million, primarily due to savings as a result of the March 2012 labour disruption. Any operating surplus at the end of the year is returned to the City.

The Director, Finance and Treasurer has reviewed this financial impact statement and is in agreement with it.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

TPL's 2012 operating budget of \$179.414 million gross and \$164.487 million net was approved by Council on January 17, 2012.

Operating results are usually reported to the Toronto Public Library Board on a quarterly basis, but due to delays resulting from the March 2012 labour disruption, the first report includes the four months ending on April 30, 2012.

COMMENTS

As of April 30, 2012, TPL has a favourable net expenditure variance of \$2.566 million, consisting of a favourable expenditure variance of \$2.161 million and a favourable revenue variance of \$0.405 million.

The labour disruption resulted in net savings of approximately \$2.5 million comprised mainly of salary savings partly offset by costs incurred and lost revenues.

External grants and donations reflected under 'other revenue' provide funds for salaries, supplies, equipment and services to support specific programs.

For year-end, the Library is currently projecting a surplus of \$2.566 million primarily as a result of net savings from the labour disruption, however, the full impact of the labour disruption on revenues will not be known until later in the year.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Operating Budget Monitoring Report for the Period Ending April 30, 2012