

Cold Spring Harbor Library

Annual Report to the Community

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

This Annual Report will provide a brief overview of the activities of the Library for the twelve months beginning July 1, 2020.

Despite dealing with the pandemic and having to keep our staff and patrons safe, the Library continued to provide quality library services to the community.

Library Usage

We were very pleased to see our patrons continue to use the Library's resources and services during this unusual year. 34,900 people visited the Library during fiscal year 2020-2021, borrowing almost 42,000 print materials and downloading over 31,000 eBooks.

Our free Museum Passes were used by over 100 patrons, who visited museums in Cold Spring Harbor, other areas of Long Island, or New York City.

Over 12,000 patrons attended programs, either outdoors, virtually, or using take home crafts. 3,229 children, 2,060 teens and 6,773 adults enjoyed programs featuring a wide variety of educational and entertaining topics.

Completion of The Underground

Finishing touches were added to The Underground, our new Teen Media Center. Lights were attached to the large fabric wall, which is used to display teen artwork and photographs. The Donor Wall display was installed, while podcasting equipment and a Makerbot 3D Printer were added for our teen patrons to use in a variety of creative ways.

Program Highlights

Our online fitness programs, including Yoga, Tai Chi, Chair Yoga, and Fitness Fusion were very popular with our adult patrons. Various art classes,

Writer's Workshops, lectures and book discussions were also very well attended.

Teens enjoyed a variety of programs, including Calligraffiti, an online calligraphy course that was attended by 140 teens in March. Other teen programs focused on science, crafts, games, SAT prep, music, babysitting, and more. Our teen patrons also participated in numerous programs for community service.

Children enjoyed a wide variety of take home crafts. 200 children participated in our very popular Grab and Go Mother's Day Cards program. Online programs featured weekly story times, cooking, fitness, art, seasonal activities, book discussions, nature programs and many more.

Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget

The community approved fiscal year 2020-2021 budget was \$3,017,694, with a total tax levy of \$2,866,525. The remaining revenue derived from a variety of sources, including donations from the Friends Foundation, fines, interest, and New York State aid.

Budget Vote for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Our Budget Vote and Trustee Election was held on April 6, 2021. The 2021-2022 fiscal year budget was passed with a 1.90% tax levy increase, which was in compliance with New York State's tax cap. The Board of Trustees and the staff greatly appreciate the community's continued support.

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