

Cold Spring Harbor Library

Annual Report to the Community

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

This Annual Report will provide a brief overview of the activities of the Library for the twelve months beginning July 1, 2021.

15th Anniversary Event

The Library celebrated the 15th Anniversary of the opening of the building. An event was held for the community, including a ribbon cutting ceremony honoring the official opening of The Underground, our new Teen Room/ Media Center.

Library Usage

We were very pleased to see our patrons continue to use the Library's resources and services during this fiscal year. 45,000 people visited the Library during fiscal year 2021-2022, borrowing 40,000 print materials and downloading 34,000 eBooks.

10,000 patrons attended programs, including indoors, outdoors, virtually, or using take home crafts. Patrons of all ages enjoyed programs featuring a wide variety of educational and entertaining topics.

Our free Museum Passes were used by over 250 patrons, who visited museums and parks in Cold Spring Harbor, other areas of Long Island, and New York City.

Program Highlights

Over 5,000 patrons attended our adult virtual and in-person programs. These included fitness classes, art classes, writer's workshops, lectures, book discussions, and many other topics. Examples of popular virtual programs were *Art Talk: Botticelli*, and *Electric Vehicles 101*. Popular in person programs included our *Winter Concert* and *Haunted Long Island Mysteries*. Over 1,000 Teens enjoyed a variety of programs, and participated in numerous programs for community service, including our Shore Road Beach

Cleanup in April. Our teen volunteers also helped with Summerfest, worked with librarians to organize children's craft programs, and participated in our Teen Library Council.

Close to 4,000 children enjoyed a wide variety of programs, both virtual and in-person. As COVID restrictions lessened, we restarted in-person Storytimes, one of our most popular children's programs. Children also participated in programs focused on crafts, cooking, art, science, music, and many more. We held our first Summerfest, the kickoff to our Summer Reading Club, since 2019.

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget

The community approved fiscal year 2021-2022 budget was \$3,061,357, with a total tax levy of \$2,920,890. 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 2022-2023

Our Budget Vote and Trustee Election was held on April 5, 2022. The 2022-2023 fiscal year budget was passed with a 2.60% 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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