# **FAYETTEVILLE FREE LIBRARY**

# **2023 Annual Report**

KNOWLEDGE \* ENTERTAINMENT \* LIFE SKILLS \* CONNECTIONS





111,844 in-building visits 23.818 uses of our wi-fi



185,462 physical items loaned



13,945 cardholders



19,974 attendees at 1,034 events



70,352 digital items loaned



4,538 hands-on activity kits distributed



In 2023, we focused on broadening our reach and deepening our impact to strengthen our whole community



## **Popular offerings:**

- Afterschool programs
- Concerts & performances
- **ELL Group**
- Home delivery
- Notary service
- Storytimes
- **Summer Camps Tech Help Appts**
- 3D printing



"[The staff] help me teach my kids about the value of libraries and reading. We love doing the Take and Make projects!"



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displays! I always learn about something new when I visit because they're so well-curated. I come looking for one book and leave with twelve."



# **EARLY LEARNING & FAMILY SERVICES:**

SUPPORTING FAMILIES \* CREATING COMMUNITY \* HELPING OUR CHILDREN SUCCEED

## In 2023, our staff:



Led 191 storytimes for 5,325 attendees



Offered 144 afterschool programs for 3,075 kids in pre-K-gr. 5



Facilitated 4 summer STEM camps for 127 students



Led our Summer Reading program; 507 readers logged 380,854 minutes











"A lot of students talk about visiting the FFL after school because it's a space they feel they can be themselves."

- F-M School Board member



# MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

SOCIAL CONNECTIONS \* STEAM SKILLS \* LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

# In 2023, our staff:



Hosted 27 Teen Volunteer Club & Teen Advisory Board meetings



Hosted 108 programs for students in grades 5-12; 499 attendees



"The library staff and friends I've made are like my second family! When I volunteer at the FFL, I feel like am a part of something. I feel accepted and valued." – Teen volunteer

# **SERVICES TO ADULTS & SENIORS**

**CULTURE \* COMMUNITY \* CONTENT \* CONNECTIONS** 

"The FFL is my favorite place! It is my 'home library.' It was an important part of my growing-up and I still love coming here, being in the community, and learning new things!"



We put on 413 programs for adults, attended by 4,295 people



"The Library is helpful and educational, with so many items to choose from. The staff are ALWAYS kind, polite, friendly, and knowledgeable.
Fayetteville Free Library is the best, my favorite!"

Services for Adults included: Art Classes (grant funded) \* Book Clubs Concerts (grant funded) \* Computer & Internet access \* Crafting Classes English Conversation Group \* Home Delivery Service \* History Lectures New Parent Support Group \* Notary service \* Spanish Conversation \* Printing, Copying and Faxing \* 3D Printing & Laser Engraving \* Tech classes \* and more

"I get at least 20 books every month for my classes. Everyone is fantastic here."

- F-M Middle school teacher

"It's a wonderful place to bring my kids for playdates, meet other parents, and be surrounded by books."





FFL Board Members: Jessica Berg

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## **Community Partners:**

Worked with us to meet community needs

Advocates, Inc.

Clear Path for Veterans

**CNY Arts** Fayetteville Fire Dept.

Favetteville Garden Club

**Humanities NY** Manlius Library

Manlius Police Dept. Manlius Senior Center PGR Foundation. Inc.

Prevention Network Senator John W. Mannion Town of Manlius

Village of Fayetteville

## **Outreach Partners:**

Hosted us and helped expand our reach

A.W. Wander Eagle Bulletin

Gino's Cheesesteak

Maker Faire Syracuse

Manlius Cinema

Manlius Historical Society Maple Downs

Onondaga East Chamber Resort Lifestyles

#### **Program Partners:**

Shared their time and expertise at our events

ADK Mountain Club ACR Health

Buy Nothing Fayetteville

Erie Canal Museum Izaak Walton League

The JCC of Syracuse The MOST

Rosemont Gifford Zoo

SciExcites, Inc. Thrive SPOT

**YMCA** 

#### **Education Partners:** Worked with us to

support local students **Bright Beginnings Bryant and Stratton** Creative Environment **ESM School District** Fabius Pompey Faith Heritage F-M School District Immaculate Conception Syracuse University

# **PARTNERS**

Mary Ottaviano

Bella Phelps



### **Collection Partners:**

We collected thousands of items for:

**CNY Diaper Bank** 

Days for Girls

Eastern Farm Workers F-M Food Pantry

**Girl Scouts** In My Father's Kitchen

Joey's Wish, Inc.

Salvation Army

**TACNY** 

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