

Hopkinton Town Library
REPORT FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR
May/June Report
June 14, 2022

Library Staff: I posted the Children and Youth Services job description on the State Library list in May and posted it on the job site "Indeed" last week. So far, we have had only four inquiries and I have begun to interview. The job description for Leigh's job has been expanded to include required weekend hours. Goal Two 1c.

Finance: With 67% of the year remaining at the end of April, we had used 30% of the budget. A new Finance Director for the Town was hired in May, so I do not yet have year to date figures for the end of May. Goal One 2bandc and Goal Two 1b.

Library Services: Circulation of library materials is up in all categories except JUV A/V. We estimate 1,200 library visitors in comparison to 374 in 2021, but we were operating with reduced hours at that time. The major focus of late May and June was planning for the book sale on June 11th. We had excellent help from volunteers and very positive feedback from the community on the quality of the sale. It brought in \$2,130 in income and over 3,500 books were sold; the balance of approximately 4,500 were picked up by Discover Books. Goal One 1a 4a Goal Two 2a-e.

Programs. We had a range of good in person programming in May and to date in June with 24 in attendance at the Author Talk with Brandon Gauthier about his book "Before Evil" and the miniature books program with 14 participants. We have also continued our Poetry Discussion Series with LR Berger (11 attendees) and a Scrapbooking Workshops (6 attendees) with Joy Malcolm. Local watercolorist Becky Darling has a show up in our gallery for June and July and will be doing a program on her work on Wednesday June 15th at 2pm. Our seed sharing program, which will continue through the summer, has been very popular. We have added handouts on how to reduce waste. Goal One 4a-b Goal Two 2c

Building. Foundation and library trustees will review revised plans for the pavilion at the June meeting. Goal Two 2a and e.

Planning and Policy: Trustees will discuss our Emergency Plan. Goal Two 1l.

Community Partnerships: I presented a program on Disaster Preparedness at the annual meeting of the NH Library Trustees Association in May. It was well received. We continue to work with the school district on a Social-Emotional Learning project and materials are being developed for families. Goal Two 1k.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Dunlop