

# MOST POPULAR CHECKOUTS

Of all the items borrowed this year, these were the most popular



# PROGRAMS



259  
programs & events

4,242  
attended programs

# PROGRAM DETAILS

102	1,334	314	2,037	133
early literacy sessions	early literacy attendance	registered for summer reading	summer program attendance	digital literacy group attendance

# TAKE & MAKE KITS

32 different kits | 1,470 taken home

# Huntington Memorial Library

# ANNUAL REPORT

2021



EMBRACING THE  
UNEXPECTED



# A message from the Director:

During the second full year of the global pandemic, safety protocols were changed based on risk level. Through it all, the library aimed to provide important services to the public with as little disruption as possible. As 2021 came to a close, the incidence of COVID-19 was at an all-time high.

Reading is still a vital component of library services and adult print fiction was the most popular material getting checked out 22,870 times. The least popular was juvenile print nonfiction with 1,877 books checked out. Downloadable ebooks and audiobooks are on the increase.

Library programs provide enriching, educational activities for the community. They cover a wide range of topics from Book Club and Writers' Group to Minecraft Club and Early Literacy Training. Most were held online or in the park and a lot of our efforts were devoted to developing Take & Make Kits. The Friends of HML helped to fund and package these enriching activity kits. Besides the traditional group programs, library staff also provided One-on-One technology assistance, local history requests, and home delivery.

New to the Children's Area is an Early Literacy Station. Caregivers can pick up materials that support their efforts to foster literacy skills based on five core principles. We also created backpacks based on

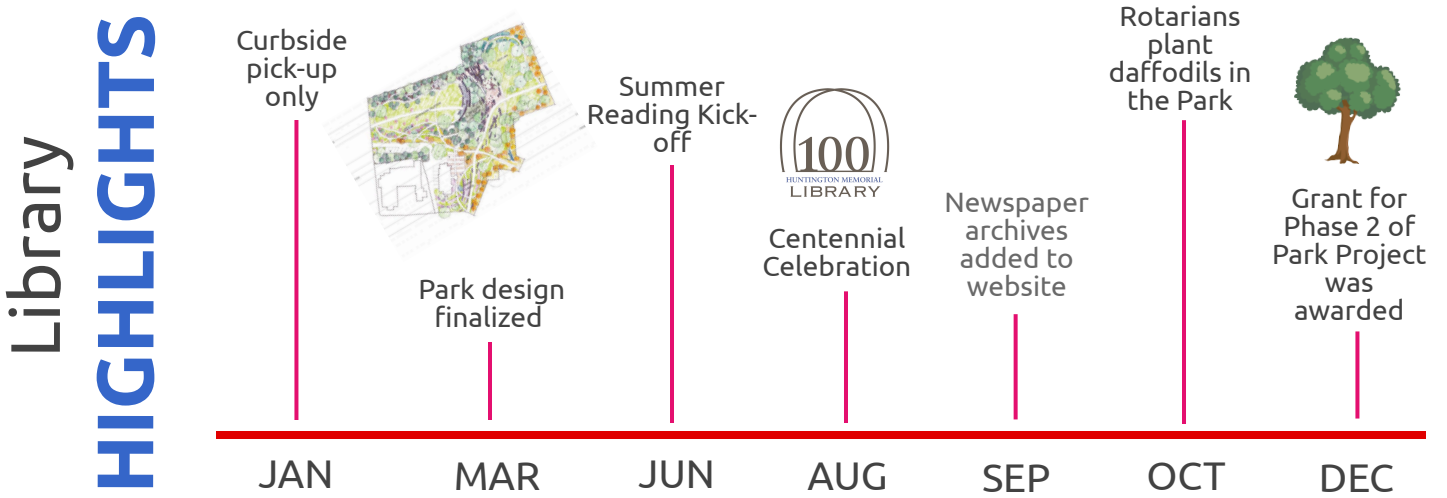
Storybook Junction themes. People in a hurry can quickly grab a backpack containing books related to one of the stations: Dinosaurs (the most popular), Animals, or Celebrations, etc.

Years of work toward improving the Huntington Park finally became visible as ground was broken in the fall. Funds for this project come from grants from NYS OPRHP, NYS Library Construction Aid, and library funds for a total of \$996,722. In December the good news of another grant from NYS OPRHP for \$500,000 to fund Phase 2 of the Park Project was received. To top it off, the park will provide a special show of daffodils in the spring thanks to the generosity of the Rotary Club.

2021 was a challenging year for the world and all of us at HML appreciate the patience and generosity of our patrons and supporters. We hope for a more normal time but will continue to serve the community to the best of our abilities.

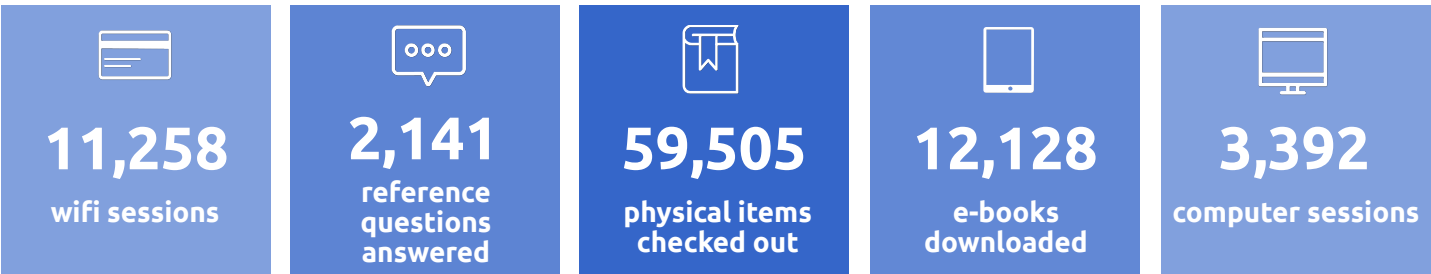


**Tina Winstead**  
Director



## BY THE NUMBERS

It was a different year for everyone BUT our community still showed us lots of love! Here is an overview of our year:



## FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### REVENUE

State.....	\$5,870
City.....	\$484,560
Town.....	\$50,000
Trust Funds.....	\$298,356
Donations & Grants.....	\$31,644
Fines & Fees.....	\$6,323
Other Revenue.....	\$945
Total Revenue.....	\$877,697

### EXPENSES

Salaries & Benefits.....	\$612,031
Library Materials.....	\$73,067
Facilities.....	\$46,119
Other Expenditures.....	\$50,758
4CLS Automation.....	\$32,098
Total Expenses.....	\$814,073

7,675  
card holders

46%  
are City of Oneonta residents

42,786

library visitors

23,750

visits to our website

## SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS

### FACEBOOK

1,500  
followers

### INSTAGRAM

864  
followers