

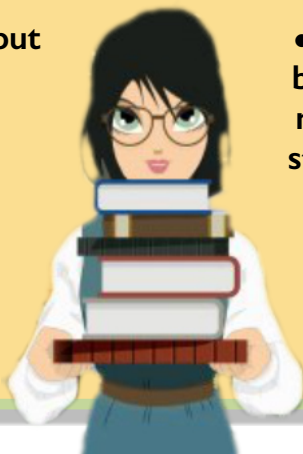
Report to the Community 2021

The Town of Chester Public Library

Greetings! Even in difficult times, good things can—and do—happen!

Please stop by the Library and enjoy new books, art exhibits, or computers to use. Browse our children's collection or just enjoy a quiet place to sit. We are here to serve you!

- In 2021 we were pleased to return access to all parts of the Library and to reinstate Saturday hours.
 - We announced that the Library would become “fine-free”!
- We said goodbye to our Library Clerk of 18 years, Sharon Berg, with a big thank you for many years of service. In March we welcomed Susannah Stiehm, our new clerk.
- We were not able to offer live programs, but were able to continue our weekly Facebook virtual story time with Ms. Wendy and her parrot Booker.
- We received a grant from the Adirondack Foundation and Hudson Headwaters Health Network for 2 new laptops for public use, and 2 for staff use.
- The Friends of the Library funded a beautiful new outdoor sign and donated museum passes, books, DVDs, and free streaming services from Hoopla.
- A grant awarded from the Glenn & Carol Pearsall Foundation will purchase new furniture for the children's section.



Patrons

1,489 Library Card Holders
4,304 Patron Visits

Programs

3 Adult Programs
64 Children's Programs
1,197 Attendees



Items Borrowed

5,110 Adult Books
2,037 Children's Books
481 Audiobooks—97 Music CDs
2,832 DVDs—1,520 E-Materials



Holdings

43,632 Total Collection Items
11,935 Adult Books
8,764 Children's Books
4,336 Audio-Visuals
18,263 E-Materials
334 Other Materials



Additions to Collection

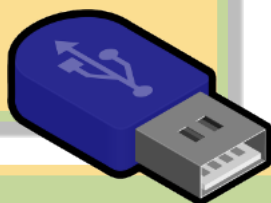
502 New Books
82 New DVDs
21 New Audiobooks

Inter-Library Loan

3,730 Items Loaned to Other Libraries
2,827 Borrowed from Other Libraries

Annual Computer Use

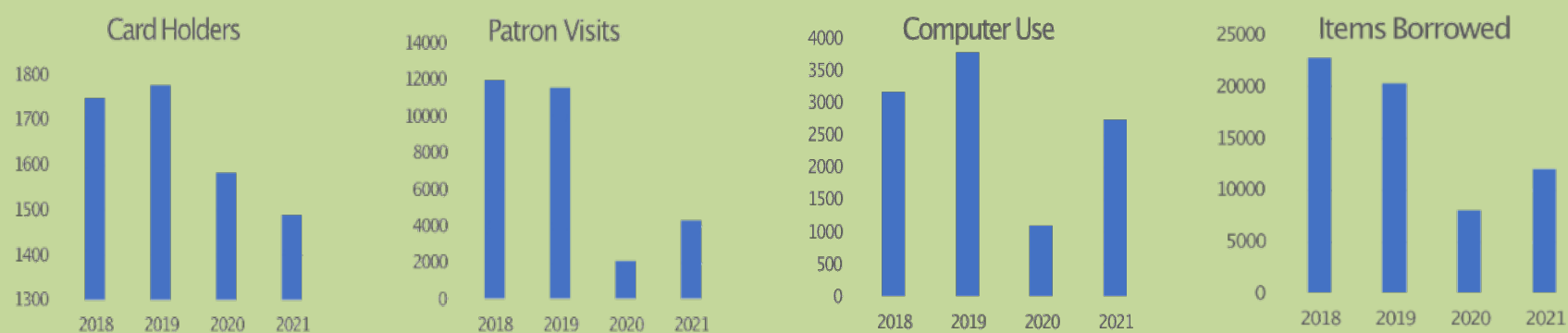
2,477 Wireless Sessions
265 Wired Sessions
6 Available Desktop Computers
2 Available Laptops



Grants & Donations

\$19,747 Received from:
The Glenn & Carol Pearsall Foundation
Hudson Headwaters/ADK Foundation
The Friends of the Town of Chester Library
plus \$2,335 from Individual Donors

Year to Year Comparisons



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