

## **2021 FINANCIAL REPORT**

<b>2021 Revenue</b>	<b>\$169,101</b>
Investment Income & fees	\$68,886
PPP Loan	\$24,000
Government funding	\$58,222
Fundraising/gifts	\$20,993

<b>2021 Expense</b>	<b>\$169,101</b>
Personnel	\$110,556
Support Services	\$7,317
Library materials & supplies	\$13,900
Operations & Building Maintenance	\$32,559
Programs & miscellaneous	\$4,769

Many thanks to our many friends who donated over \$20,000 in 2021 in our fund drive, bequests and donations to the library. These funds are vital to helping us provide great services for our community.

We recognize the memorial donations made in honor of Cheryl Palmer, Barbara Palmer, Brenda Leigh Yager Gifford, Greg Warmbrodt and Shirley Stacconi. These gifts provide a lasting memorial for your loved ones and help us to continue to provide essential services. Thank you for including us in your giving.

We also thank the following for grants and designated donations for programs and events including family events, art classes, performers, children's book clubs, teen events and more: Over \$xx was received in 2021 through grants from the following :

Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County, Community Arts Partnership of Tompkins County/NYS Council of the Arts Decentralization Program, Dryden Youth Opportunity Fund, United Way of Tompkins County, Dollar General Literacy Foundation, American Library Association/American Rescue Plan, New York Council for the Humanities, as well as donations from our patrons

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**VOLUNTEERS:** Many thanks to all of our volunteers for their time and efforts assisting us with programs and library functions. We appreciate you!

Melanie Allen, Lauren Anderson, Lorraine Buonviri, Myrna Brown, Rhoda Brown, Anne Culp, Will and Hannha Enslow, Melissa Hafer, Henry Hallock, Kelly Horrocks, Janice Lawrence, Tad Merchant, Sue Milewski, Sarah Marcham, Caleb Smith, Linda Storrer, Greg Tremblay, Anne Weaver, Alex Weibly, Susan Yanoff



# Southworth Library Report to the Community 2022



## Connect. Explore. Learn

The Southworth Library provides materials, services and programming to meet the diverse educational, recreational and cultural needs of the Dryden area. We support access to information, inspire the love of reading and promote literacy and lifelong learning, and are a comfortable, friendly gathering place. We are proud to be a cornerstone in our community for social connections, information resources and programs & events for all ages.

## We are Your 5-Star Library



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# Southworth Library 2021 Fast Facts



18,200  
visitors

8386 digital  
items checked  
out



3519 library  
card holders



1560 reference  
questions  
answered



77,340 items  
checked out

1295 computer  
sessions



10,725  
Interlibrary loans



77,340 items in the  
collections (incl.  
digital)

437 kids  
participated in the  
2022 summer  
reading program



175 programs  
with 6198  
attendees



Distributed over 3000 free  
COVID test kits and KN-95 masks

The events of the past several years have brought so many changes for everyone and libraries are no exception. Often called upon as first information responders, library staff have helped guide people to information and resources during some of the most stressful and vulnerable times of their lives, from providing COVID test kits and masks to a hotspot lending program and public computer use. While continuing to provide traditional materials and resources is still a priority in our mission, we have learned to think outside the box with flexible programming, additional resources, and continued caution. From art classes for adults, cooking classes for teens, the Kids' Farmers Market and lunch program to 3D printing, the library sought ways to connect, inform and educate. New collaborations with Cornell University and area agencies helped to provide language classes, cooking programs, food distribution and tabling events. ARPH funding helped to multicultural and inclusive programming and early literacy engagement. In 2021, despite all the challenges, The Southworth Library was recognized as a five-star library by the Library Journal Index for the 5th consecutive year. Only 262 of libraries nationwide earned a star rating, and only 4% achieve a five-star status. However, our budget shortfall and desire to provide competitive wages forced reduced hours as we struggled to maintain and improve our

services. In May, we were placed on the School tax ballot for community based funding of \$50,000. A special thank you to all who voted to support the library!

Now, as we begin to look past the pandemic, we are finding our new normal in meeting people's needs, both inside and outside the library walls. Our plans include expanded hours, additional early literacy efforts, more digital literacy instruction classes, a Lunch N Learn series, family programs and celebrations and evening presentations and discussions. Of course we will also continue with the many book clubs, programs, and services we have always provided. We look forward to serving our community with the same dedication and creativity as always. Come see us!

Diane Pamel Library Director

