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P.O. Box 200

Boston, NY 14025

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### **Boston Free Library**

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P.O. Box 200

Boston, NY 14025

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E-mail: [bos@buffalolib.org](mailto:bos@buffalolib.org)

### **Hours:**

**Monday 10-7**

**Tuesday 12-8**

**Wednesday Closed**

**Thursday 10-7**

**Friday 12-5**

**Saturday 10-2**

### **Library Director:**

Lydia Herren

### **Association Board of Trustees:**

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Buffalo & Erie County Public  
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# Boston Free Library



## **Annual Report to the Community**

Serving the communities  
of Boston, Colden,  
Concord & Eden for over  
75 years



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updates and programming



## 2019 Statistics

Circulation: 38,259

Patron Visits: 21,888

Computer Usage: 1,079 sessions

WiFi Usage: 1,386 sessions

Libraries continue to be a crucial part of offering digital access and digital literacy services within our communities including high speed internet access, computers, WiFi, one-on-one computer help sessions as well as more formal classes on computer skills and internet safety instructions.

## Programming in 2019

In Library Programs: 133

Program Attendance: 2,464

One-on-One Programs : 414

Outreach/Off-site Programs: 15

Outreach Attendance: 492

**Total Program Attendance: 3,370**

## NEW IN 2020

The Boston Free Library is so much more than books! Beyond the extensive collection of audiobooks, music CDs, DVDs, and Blu-rays, you can now check out a wide range of items at the library. In 2018, the library began circulating yard games including bocce, kan jam, corn hole, badminton, volleyball, croquet, kubb, ladder ball, and giant jenga.

Thanks to a generous grant secured by Senator Gallivan, the library has been able to make several updates and additions to the technology available both at the library and to take home. Beginning in February 2020, the library has expanded its collection to include the following items:

- metal detector
- outdoor projector and screen
- karaoke machine
- video camera
- ukulele
- green screen
- trail camera
- therapy light
- digital radon detector
- telescope
- bubble machine

Patrons will also be able to check out a record player that will convert vinyl records, cassettes, and CDs to a USB flash drive and film converters that can convert film slides, negatives, photos and Super 8 or 8mm film to an SD card. These items will all be available for people to borrow for a 7-day loan period with a valid Buffalo & Erie County Public Library adult library card. Items must be picked up and returned at the Boston Free Library.

Also purchased with grant funds, the Boston Free Library now has a 3D printer available for public use. At \$0.05 per gram for finished projects, the price is right to come in and learn how to use this amazing technology.



## ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

As an Association Library, the Boston Free Library building is owned and maintained by the Association and under contract with the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library for the provision of library services.

Your membership donation allows the library to continue its mission to connect our community with resources that educate, enrich, entertain, and enlighten all the people of Boston and Colden as well as the surrounding areas of Hamburg, Concord, Eden, West Falls, and Orchard Park through the resources of the Boston Free Library and the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library System.

The library is in the process of incorporating the Town of Colden into our chartered service area, in addition to the Town of Boston, through the NYS Board of Regents.

***Membership goes directly to providing free programs for all ages at the library as well as towards the maintenance of the historic library building so it can continue to serve the community for generations to come.***

