

2020 Statistics

Circulation

Kenilworth 28,676
Kenmore 119,799
Total 148,475

Computer Sessions

Kenilworth 3266
Kenmore 10,582
Total 13,848

Patron Visits

Kenilworth 23,400
Kenmore 59,067
Total 82,467

Programs

Kenilworth
591 in person
1792 virtual

Kenmore
2653 in person
12,530 virtual
Total 17,566

Thank You for Your Support in 2020:

Ken-Ton Friends of the Library
NYS Senator Sean Ryan
Town of Tonawanda
Village of Kenmore
Sue Barnes, Grantmakers Advantage
Kenmore Art Society
Kenmore Village Improvement Society
New York State Assemblyman Robin Schimminger
New York State Assemblyman William Conrad, III
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Town of Tonawanda Council Member Shannon Patch
Kenmore Quilt Guild
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Kenmore Branch

Nicole Bermingham, Branch Manager
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Library Hours

Kenilworth Branch

(varied)

Kenmore Branch

(varied)

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Kenilworth Branch
318 Montrose Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14223
716-834-7657



Kenmore Branch
160 Delaware Road
Kenmore, NY 14217
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Year in Review

The Town of Tonawanda Public Library - Kenilworth and Kenmore Branches had a year full of changes due to the **COVID-19 pandemic**. There were numerous changes to our open hours, programming, and services. The beginning of 2020 started out with our usual schedule of 65 service hours per week (combined Kenilworth and Kenmore; including Sunday hours). On March 17th, the Kenilworth and Kenmore Libraries closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The libraries remained closed until June 2nd, when we re-opened for 42 service hours per week, pick-up service only. That schedule remained in place through June 21st. Starting on June 22nd, and continuing through November 6th, the libraries were open to the public for 40 service hours per week. On November 7th, 7 additional open hours were added, for a total of 47 service hours per week. On November 20th, with the implementation of the Orange Zone designation for Erie County by Governor Cuomo, the libraries returned to pick-up service only for 47 service hours per week. This schedule remained in place through the end of 2020.

It was a tumultuous year, but through the turmoil, we provided quality library programs and services to Erie County residents. In 2020, the Town of Tonawanda Public Library **circulated 148,475 items**, had **13,848 computer sessions**, **82,467 patron visits** and provided **17,566 programs**.

Several new virtual programs were added in 2020, including Facebook Live storytime, Facebook weekly challenges, online Summer and Winter Reading programs for all ages, and Zoom online Book Club.

The Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Friends of the Library, through their hard work and dedication, donated **over \$15,000** from their book sales, which are now being held in the former Middle School across from the Kenmore branch. The proceeds will benefit the Town of Tonawanda Public Library - Kenilworth and Kenmore Branches and the entire community.

Building improvements were made throughout the year. A New York State construction grant project was completed, including the installation of 2 new boilers at the Kenmore Library, new concrete sidewalks and parking lot approach at the Kenmore Library, and the completion of the 'Flex space' at the Kenmore Library on the first floor.

A very special Thank You goes to the Kenmore Quilt Guild for their donation of Mo Willems themed quilts—one for Kenilworth and one for Kenmore. They are gorgeous !

Programs

There were 3244 in-person programs and 14,322 virtual programs.

In-person programs held prior to March 17th:

Toddler Time for Twos; Preschool Storytime; Family Storytime; Baby Time; Therapy Dog Program; Button Night; Sensory Playtime; Game Night; Crafter-day; Craft Club; Lego Clubs; Kenmore Library News; Widget Wednesdays; Computer Training for adults; Adult Book Discussion Group at Kenilworth; Adult Book Club at Kenmore

Online (virtual) programs:

Online Summer Reading Program; Online Winter Reading Program; Facebook Live Storytimes every Tuesday & Thursday; online Book Club meetings; Facebook Weekly Challenge

Other programs:

Make & Take Craft Kits for children & for adults; Pumpkin Decorating Contest