Technology

The Library logged over 13,000 Public Access Computer Sessions in 2018. We provide access to technology for both children and adults. People use our computers to complete online job applications, create resumes, do homework and stay in touch with family and friends. We provide a free and invaluable service that many people cannot get anywhere else.

We also provide free access to our WiFi connection. Patrons enjoy working on their own laptops, smart phones, tablets and other devices at the library.

Our computers are used at maximum capacity on a daily basis. The need for access to technology is growing as fast as new technology is.

Volunteers & Staff

The Library has a very active and supportive Friends group. In 2018, The Friends of the Lackawanna Public Library purchased prizes for the children that participated in our Summer Reading Club. Our Friends group also donated money to pay for programs and special events. Our Local History group volunteers their time in our museum by creating displays and answering questions about the history of Lackawanna.

Our staff is kind, friendly and always willing to go the extra mile. If you have questions, don't hesitate to ask. We are committed to serving our community. The Staff, the Friends of the Library and the Board of Trustees work together to ensure that the Lackawanna Public Library is a vibrant and inviting place to visit.

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People

The Lackawanna Public Library continues to serve as the center of the community. In 2018 we had over 50,000 library visits.

The number of Registered Borrowers reached over 5,500 in 2018. The Library is a vital part of the community and we continue to strive to provide a place where all are welcome.

Our Meeting Room space is a key component of our services. Many local groups use our space and on a monthly basis we have Citizen groups, Legislators, PTA organizations, local authors, ESL instructors and tutors all taking advantage of our Free Meeting Room Use Policy.

Programs

The Library provided programs for people of all ages in 2018. We entertained families with our Siberian Husky program, Music Shows and visits from Animal Adventures. We hosted school age programs like a Snow Shoe hike and Super Saturdays! We reached out to teens with creative writing classes.

The Library hosted Adult Coloring get-togethers and a Cooking Club. We partnered with the Department of Labor to provide employment assistance. We also offered One on One Technology Training.

We provided over 316 different programs this past year and we had over 3,400 people participate! All of our programs are free and open to the public.

Materials

The Lackawanna Public Library continues to offer the latest Adult, Young Adult, and Children's Fiction and Non-Fiction titles in Print and Electronic formats. This past year we circulated over 54,000 items including DVDs, Blu Rays, CDs, Books on CD, Magazines, E-Books and Downloadable Music.

In 2018, we provided access to 60 Research Databases through our Online Public Access Catalog. Our Databases contain the most up to date information on thousands of current research topics.

We also collaborated with local schools and teachers to provide outreach and class visits in order to share library resources and encourage students to get library cards.