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Hours of Operation
Monday 10-8
Tuesday 2-8
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2021
Annual Report to
the Community

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North Collins Public Library

A Message From Our Director

Although 2021 brought some normalcy back to the library, the Covid pandemic continued to impact our services and required us to be creative. Virtual programming, Take and Make crafts, Drop-in events, and our increasingly popular online resources like ebooks and audiobooks are here to stay, but we were excited to bring back some traditional in-person programming this year: Story Time, Summer Reading, Chess Club and Book Club to name a few! And of course we are delighted when patrons come through the doors to peruse and checkout our collection of books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, and blu-rays or make use of our computers, photocopier, and fax machine.

2021 was a year of managerial transition. Jacob Rachwal resigned as Library Manager in May. We wish him well in his future career as a librarian in the B&ECPL system. John Faria had a brief tenure with us during the summer months and I accepted the position temporarily in September and permanently in November. I look forward to continuing our service to the community of North Collins—providing excellent programming, useful resources, and a welcoming environment. Come in and say hello!

—Alice Yoder, Library Manager

### Key Statistics

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Programs for the Community

During 2021, there were 882 programs held at the library. Below are just some of the great events offered:

♦ Tails and Tales Summer Reading Program ♦ Virtual Craft with Miss Hannah ♦ ABC Story Time with Miss Alice ♦ Book Club ♦ Chess Club ♦ Book Signing ♦ Guessing Jar ♦ Turkey Cookies ♦ Teen Brainstorming ♦ Weekly crafts ♦ Pumpkin decorating ♦ Graham Cracker houses ♦

Services

Our library is located on School Street next to the North Collins Jr/Sr High School. The Library is wheelchair accessible, has a sizeable parking lot, and is equipped with a drop box.

- **Public access computers** are available for patron use with printing capability (10 cents for b/w, 25 cents for color).

- **We now also offer mobile printing.**

- **Free WiFi is available:** Network: BECPL2 Password: librarywifi

- **Copy Machine:** Black & white copies are available for 15 cents a page.

- **Fax machine** services are available for a minimal fee.

Special Thanks

A New York State Library Construction Grant enabled us to replace our library lights with more efficient LED lighting at no cost to the library.

A grant from the American Library Association helped us enrich our programming to the youth in our community. We purchased new laptops for patron use as well as two Nintendo Switch gaming consoles along with several games.

Thanks as always to the Town of North Collins, Legislator Mills, Senator Gallivan, and Assemblyman DiPietro for their continued support.