

Dear North Tonawanda Community,

I'd like to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to tailor new and innovative services for you and your families. With strong community support and enthusiastic patronage of our Library, we are moving forward into fiscal year 2019-2020 with a momentum to build on the successes of the past year.

The first half of 2019 will mark the completion of the long term project of updating the building's electric service panels, and other electrical infrastructure. This, coupled with the completion of a state grant funded computer server cabinet installation, will provide the ground work for a full update of our public access computer workstations. This project will also include a much needed conversion to a Windows 10 operating system for all of the computers in the facility. All of these improvements will allow us to provide vital upgrades in technology to meet the ever-increasing public demand, and are almost exclusively funded by New York State Bullet Aid. This is just a preview of the exciting improvements happening in the coming months with the building itself, and with programming and services available to the community.

I look forward to the success we will achieve in the coming year as we enter our 126th year of library service and look forward to serving a vital role in the community as we continue to meet your informational, educational, and recreational needs.

Sincerely,
Kevin M. Wall
Library Director

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**BUDGET VOTE
TRUSTEE ELECTION**
April 3, 2019
9:30AM-9:00PM

Dear Residents of North Tonawanda,

The Library budget vote and Trustee election is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3.

The public will be voting on a proposition to collect \$1,439,919 in school district property taxes in fiscal year 2019-2020, this is the same amount that was approved last year. The Library's Board and Director worked hard to present this zero-growth budget which will continue to allow us to meet the high demand for library services. Because the proposed tax levy remains the same as in the previous fiscal year, no change in tax impact is anticipated.

In addition to voting on the budget, you will also have the opportunity to vote for two Trustees. Marigail Sondel is seeking to continue her service on the Library Board and is running for re-election. Colleen Andres, who is was appointed on an interim basis to fill the unexpired term of Deborah Galas, is running for the first time.

On Monday, March 25 at 5pm there will be a public hearing at the Library. At that time, we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the budget.

Thank you very much for your continued support of the North Tonawanda Public Library. We look forward to continuing to provide you with outstanding library service.

Your Library Board of Trustees,
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NORTH TONAWANDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

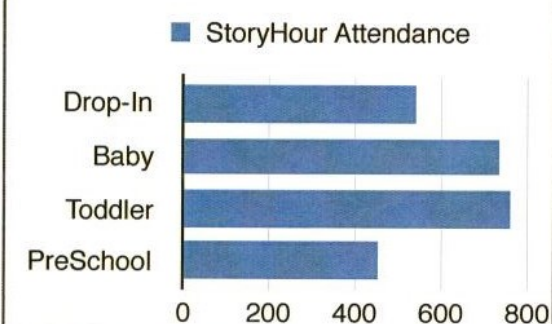
As the North Tonawanda Public Library reinvents itself year after year, the word for Fiscal Year 2018 was COMMUNITY! In 2018, approximately 220,000 people visited the library and nearly 460,000 books and materials were borrowed. We stayed one step ahead of emerging technologies and local happenings, consistently offering more programs, more classes and more events!

Time travel back 50 years to the Carnegie Library on Goundry Street and you would find yourself in a world of shushing librarians surrounded by dusty, but glorious, books. We are not your grandfather's library anymore! Now, walk into the library on any given day and you could happen upon a cooking demo, yoga class, children's story hour or a teen costume party. We have evolved into a community oriented center with an ambitious programming calendar sustained by a staff that is always pushing to do more! Adult and Children's programming saw record attendance in 2018. If you had stopped into the Library on Monday, July 23rd, you would be among 115 people enjoying the young voices of Matt's Music. If you stepped into the children's room on any Monday morning, you would be surrounded by school children listening to a book talk, then picking out books to take home. The best comment of the year came from a 20-something resident, "I've got to tell my friends about this place!"

While books will always be our mainstay, audiobooks, DVDs, videogames and electronic downloads for young and old are catching up. North Tonawanda Library patrons used the Overdrive/Libby app to download over 36,000 digital books throughout the year. That's 36,000 electronic books enjoyed without stepping inside the Library, and we are 100% OK with that because we know library users will come in for that new movie, kid's craft, or genealogy talk.

Whether it is a group of new moms comparing notes at baby story time, or adults chatting during a watercolor class, the North Tonawanda Library remains a welcoming and ever evolving place for the community to discover. Thank you for your support and we look forward to another great year!

Drop-In Story hours were introduced in 2018 and proved to be very popular

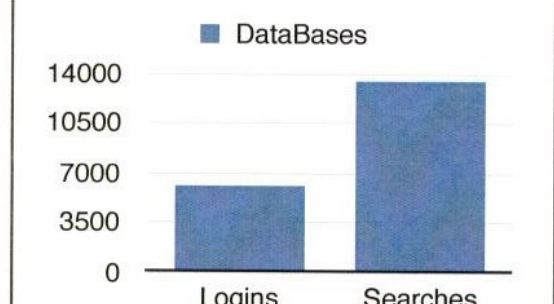


**NORTH TONAWANDA PUBLIC LIBRARY
2018
A YEAR-IN-REVIEW**

- 4,533 magazines on hand
- 7,616 folks attended 389 programs
- 16,084 items added to our collection
- 18,058 reference questions
- 20,326 in-house computer use
- 24,446 library card holders

How did you use YOUR Library?

Learn a new language...research your family tree...check a product review...etc



The mission of the North Tonawanda Public Library, through its resources and personnel, is to enhance the personal development of all North Tonawanda citizens by seeking to meet their informational, educational and recreational needs, recognizing the benefits to the community of a well-informed citizenry, the individual's capacity for self-improvement, the worth of each person, and the need for human dignity.