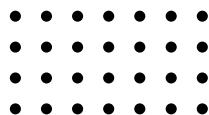




2025

Report to the Community



Mission

Stamford Library connects people, ideas, and opportunities by providing welcoming spaces, enriching programs, and free access to knowledge, creative activities, and culture for everyone in our community.

Vision

We envision Stamford Library as the heart of our community, an inviting place where people of all ages gather to learn, explore, create, and connect, and where lifelong learning and shared experiences strengthen our community.

Values

Community: We believe the library belongs to everyone and strive to be a welcoming place where all feel valued and included.

Access: We provide free and open access to information, resources, and opportunities for learning.

Curiosity and Lifelong Learning: We support exploration, discovery, and growth at every stage of life.

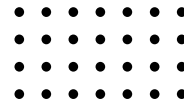
Connection: We bring people together through shared experiences, ideas, and stories.

Stewardship: We honor our history and responsibly steward the resources entrusted to us for future generations.

Service: We meet people where they are, responding thoughtfully to the needs of our community.



Our Team



Erika Eklund

Director



Lindsay O'Brien

Programming Coordinator/Clerk



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Displays/Circuits/Clerk



Marta Villanueva

Accessions/Clerk



Beth Mowry

Clerk



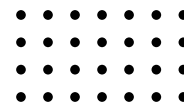
Karen Cuccinello

Historian/Archivist

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A Message from the Director



Dear Community Members,

At its heart, Stamford Library is about people.

Each day, we see neighbors connecting. Children discover the joy of stories, friends gather over shared interests, and community members find the support they need, whether that is help with technology, access to resources, or simply a welcoming place to spend time.

This past year, the library has been filled with those moments. From storytimes and book groups to creative workshops, reading challenges, and community events, the library continues to be a place where curiosity is encouraged and connections are made. It has been especially meaningful to see both familiar faces and new ones finding their place here.

For many in our community, the library is more than a place for books. It is a vital resource and a trusted space. We are proud to help people navigate everyday challenges, learn new skills, and stay connected in a world that is constantly changing.

As we look ahead, we are excited about what the future holds, including plans for a new library building that will allow us to serve you in even more ways. At the same time, our focus remains on what matters most: being here for our community, every day.

Thank you for being part of Stamford Library. Your support, participation, and presence are what make this place so special.

With gratitude,

Erika E Eklund



*"A library is a
house of hope." —
Doug Wilhelm*

Community, Connection & Service



12,536

Visitors to
the Library



1,468

Registered
Cardholders



1,060

Public
Computer
Uses



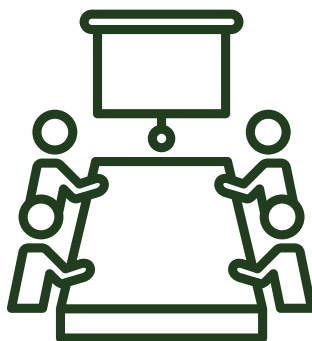
1,295

Free Hi-
Speed WiFi
Connections



368

Private
Meeting
Room Uses



23,438

Color and
B&W Copies,
Faxes, Prints
Provided



Circulation Snapshot



6,040

Adult Fiction &
Nonfiction Books
Checked out

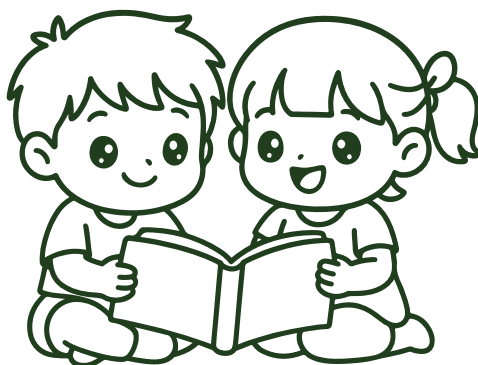


4,123

Digital Downloads
(Ebooks, Audiobooks,
Movies, Magazines,
and more)

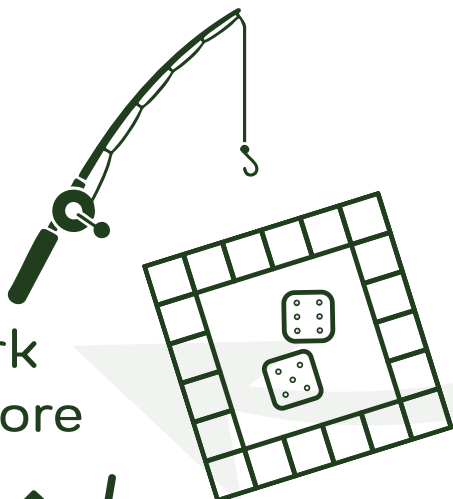
4,365

Children's
Fiction &
Nonfiction Books
Checked out



1,790

DVDs, Games,
Puzzles,
Toniboxes, Park
Passes, and more

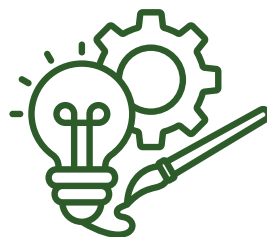


16,318
**Total Item
Circulation**

This is a 10.92 %
increase over 2024



Learning, Creativity & Connection



104

Programs for
Children and
Teens

123

Programs for
Adults and All
Ages

3,450

Total Program
Attendance (on-
site & off-site)

Summer Reading Program 2025 “Color Our World”

41 Dedicated
Programs

520 Program
Participants

628+ Books
Read

64 Books
Given Away

A Sampling of Ongoing Programs

- Garden Discussion Group
- Writers’ Circle
- Adult Literature Group
- Little Ones Storytime
- Large Print Book Program at the Pavillion Assisted Living
- Night Owl Book Club
- Paws & Pages Reading Time
- Book Journaling
- Dungeons & Dragons
- YA Study Group

Special Events

- Blind Date with a Book Challenge
- Plant Swap & Tea Party
- Community Tie-Dye Party
- Great & Powerful Dave Magic Show
- Stoneware Glazing
- Iroquois History & Culture
- Draft Stopper Sewing Program
- Herbal Workshop
- Disaster Preparedness Workshop
- Guitar in the Mountains Class Series
- Children’s Sewing Series

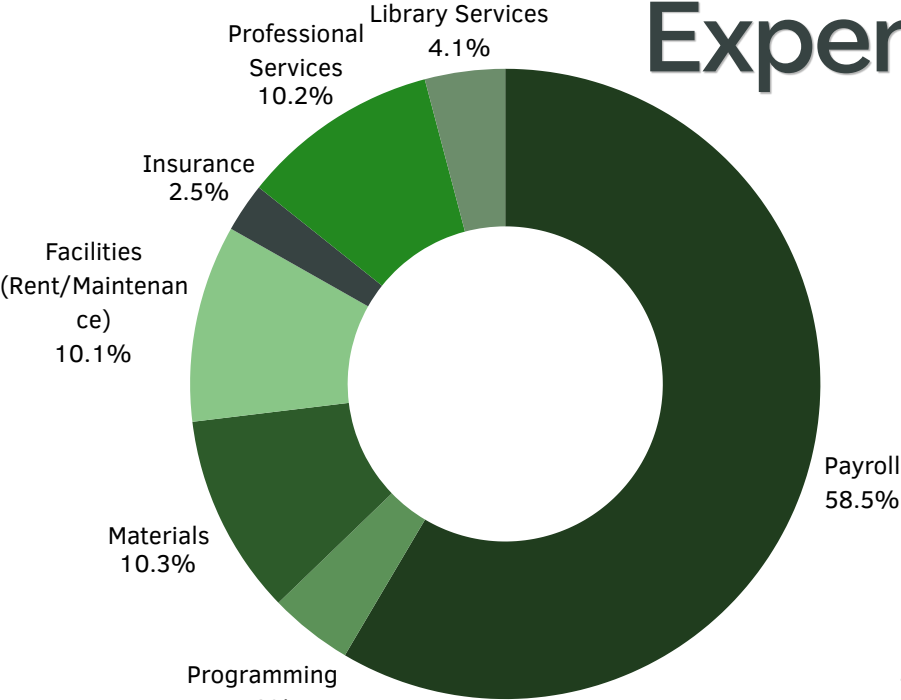




Financial Overview



Expenses



4.45

Statues of Liberty

The Height of Circulated Materials

*Assuming an average height of 1 inch



Income

