

Gardiner Library 2024 Annual Report

How the Library Saves You Money

- Lends passes to local and NYC museums and attractions
- Keeps items out of waste stream through recycling
- Offers streaming services and online learning
- Has affordable printing, scanning, and faxing
- Hosts free and affordable programs and events
- Provides thousands of books, eBooks, movies, magazines, music, audiobooks, and more



Sustainability

- Planted a new native plant pollinator hedge
- Partnered with UCCRA's Tiffin Project
- Installed bike repair station on the WVLT
- Expanded items accepted in recycling shed
- Hosted annual Native Plant Sale
- Collected 500 lbs of plastic resulting in a bench donated to Majestic Park

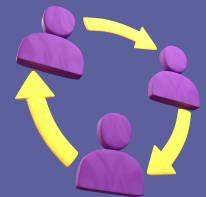


Community Outreach and Collaborations

- Participated in Pumpkin Parade with Gardiner Day Committee
- Organized addition of a new bike repair station with Shawangunk Biking Association, Town of Gardiner, and WVLT
- Hosted AARP Tax Prep and Driver's Safety Class
- Created volunteer opportunities for college and high school students
- Collected Christmas gifts and food for Helping Hands Pantry
- Provided space for local Al-Anon meetings and homeschool classes

By the Numbers

- 54% of residents have a library card (average RCLS library is 37%)
- Circulated 53,000 electronic items (↑ 20.8%)
- Circulated 32,000 physical items (↑ 8.4%)
- 9.3 checkouts per capita (average RCLS library is 6.7 checkouts)
- Over 6,300 people attended 650 programs
- Over 24,000 visits to the library



**Awarded
Fair Games Grant
and
Stewarts Grant**

**Expanded library hours
on weekday mornings
and weekends**

**Awarded
NY State
Construction Aid**

Unique Programs

- Felting and jewelry classes
- Quilled paper workshop
- StarLab traveling planetarium
- Jedi Star Force Academy
- Chinese language classes for kids



- Bubble Gum Making workshop
- Fairy Doors family workshop
- Dahlias Demystified workshop
- Nutty Scientists shows
- Planetarium shows at SUNY NP
- One-on-one genealogy help