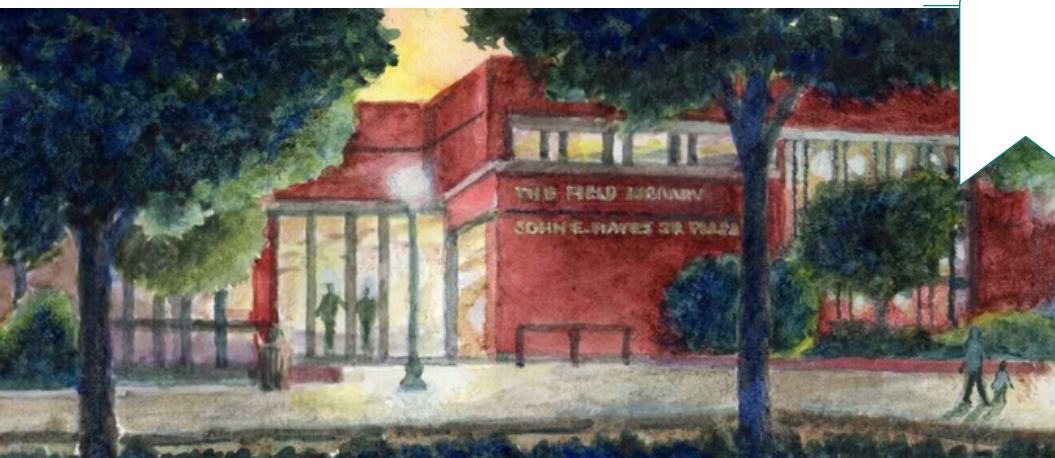


2025 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



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ADULT/TEEN ROOM HOURS

Monday	9AM - 9PM
Tuesday	9AM - 7PM
Wednesday	11AM - 7PM
Thursday	9AM - 9PM
Friday	9AM - 5PM
Saturday	10AM - 5PM
Sunday	12PM - 4PM

CHILDREN'S ROOM HOURS

Monday	9AM - 7PM
Tuesday	9AM - 5PM
Wednesday	11AM - 5PM
Thursday	9AM - 7PM
Friday	9AM - 5PM
Saturday	10AM - 5PM
Sunday	Open on Request

2025 BY THE NUMBERS...

104,579 visitors to the Library

24,974 books checked out to adults

23,460 books checked out to kids and teens

10,889 reference questions answered

13,449 wireless sessions

13,806 e-books downloaded

16,802 e-audiobooks downloaded

5,644 movies streamed

722 programs for children and teens

10,163 children and teens attending

664 programs for adults

4,827 adults attending

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2025 WAS A BUSY YEAR...

JANUARY

Program Spotlight: Dino Day, D&D: Samurai Edition, and Pictures That Talk Discussion with Artists Dan Florin and Joe Squilante

Library Highlight: A patron shared that he borrowed a book from our MLKJ Day display that helped him have a valuable conversation with his kids. He really appreciated the library having and showcasing quality children's books about important and difficult topics.



FEBRUARY

Program Spotlight: Edible Playdough & Volcano, Cowrie Bead Keychains and Bracelets, and Black History Month Celebration with Baba Kazi Oliver

Library Highlight: A young patron asked for help on the computer and, after staff answered their questions and walked them through what they needed to do, were excited to share what they had learned with other kids who needed help on the computer that afternoon.



MARCH

Program Spotlight: Bubble Painting, Custom Badge Pins, and Spanish for Beginners

Library Highlight: Our partnership with Neighbors Link began! A teen also stopped by the library asking for help installing an update on his USB flash drive to fix his broken PS4 gaming console. While it took a bit of time, staff were able to help reformat the drive and even recommend some video games and manga for him and his friend to check out from our collection!



APRIL

Program Spotlight: Sink the Eggs, Musical Tots with Lori Cohen, Clay Bake Workshop, and Sushi with Yoshemi

Library Highlight: A patron that attended the sushi program shared that they enjoyed learning how to prepare different varieties of sushi and how to shape and present the finished product artistically. The sushi samples were delicious and everyone's excited for more!



MAY

Program Spotlight: Story Garden with Alexia, Teen Advisory Board, and Malcolm X's 100th Birthday Celebration

Library Highlight: The Hudson Valley Press published an article that shared the success of the collaborative program celebrating the 100th Birthday of Malcolm X, where Scholar-Activists spoke about his life, impact, and legacy.

JUNE

Program Spotlight: Upcycled Coral Reefs, Ice Cream Floats, and Author Talk: Chris Jones

Library Highlight: A caregiver that stopped by the Children's Room complimented the Trans Pamphlet staff put together. She shared that she really appreciated that we always have resources like this available for everyone to see. The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority kindly provided the library with "Essentials Bags" that were distributed to patrons in need.

JULY

Program Spotlight: Summer Reading Kickoff Party, UNO Tournament, and Pollock-Krasner Art Workshop with Joyce Raimondo

Library Highlight: A young patron stopped by the library wearing a Frog and Toad Are Friends t-shirt and they were so excited to read the matching book for the first time with their adult!



AUGUST

Program Spotlight: Colors and Patterns of the Animal Kingdom with Animal Embassy, Piña Coladas, and NYBC Blood Drive

Library Highlight: The library had a comment box available at the circulation desk for patrons to share their thoughts in. There was a lot of positive feedback, with patrons commenting how warm the library is and how welcoming the staff are!



SEPTEMBER

Program Spotlight: Story & Craft, Tie Dye, and ESOL

Library Highlight: A patron who recently moved to the area really enjoyed the Hispanic Heritage Month book displays in the Children's Room. Staff shared that the patron was excited to see the wide variety of books we had on different topics and that we had so many books available in English and Spanish.

OCTOBER

Program Spotlight: DIY Infinity Cubes, Hallo-Teen Extravaganza, and Gentle Movement Yoga

Library Highlight: The library participated in the WLS Coat Drive, where everyone was encouraged to bring new or gently used winter gear items. One patron was very kind and donated an entire bag of items that they had knitted! We're so grateful that everyone donated and helped make this Coat Drive a success!



NOVEMBER

Program Spotlight: Fiesta with Flor, Autumn Paint by Numbers, and Field of Mystery Book Club

Library Highlight: A young patron shared that she didn't think she was very good at drawing. Staff reassured her that there's no one right way to draw and encouraged her to keep drawing to help build her skills. Staff also showed her all of the different drawing books we have and she ended up taking home an entire stack!



DECEMBER

Program Spotlight: Cookie Decorating, Decorate Cookies and Drink Hot Cocoa, and Art Gallery Exhibition: Featuring Peekskill Arts Alliance Members' Works

Library Highlight: Staff helped a young patron find books about animals in Spanish and she was so excited to flip through all of the books and borrowed many of them! A teen patron also shared that she's been taking her younger brother to some programs and they've had a lot of fun! She's also excited about joining some teen programs!

... AND THERE ARE BIG THINGS COMING!



We are moving to 41 N Division Street!

Sign up on the website for our newsletter to receive updates about library programs, resources, and the latest information on our move.

We are still raising funds for this historic move! Details on ways to give are available at thefieldlibrary.org/about-us/get-involved/



**DON'T FORGET TO VISIT
OUR VOLUNTEER-RUN
BOOKSTORE, LOCATED AT
934 SOUTH STREET!**

Hours:

MONDAY: 10am - 5pm

TUESDAY: 10am - 5pm

WEDNESDAY: 10am - 5pm

THURSDAY: 1pm - 5pm

FRIDAY: 10am - 5pm

SATURDAY: 10am - 5pm



A NOTE TO OUR COMMUNITY,

What a remarkable year 2025 was here at The Field Library! With new programs popping up throughout the year, unveiling new ways to utilize our existing spaces, and the announcement of our upcoming move, there's been a lot to enjoy. None of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our loyal patrons, our tireless staff, our dedicated Board of Trustees, and the generous donors who champion our work. This library remains an essential hub of knowledge, connection, and opportunity. Because of you, we are able to adapt, grow, and continue providing the vital resources our community deserves.

As we look to the future, we remain committed to our mission; serving you with excellence, expanding our innovative programs for all ages, launching our updated Strategic Plan, and further strengthening our community wide partnerships.

Thank you for being the most important part of our library. We look forward to seeing you soon!

- Dana Hysell, Library Director