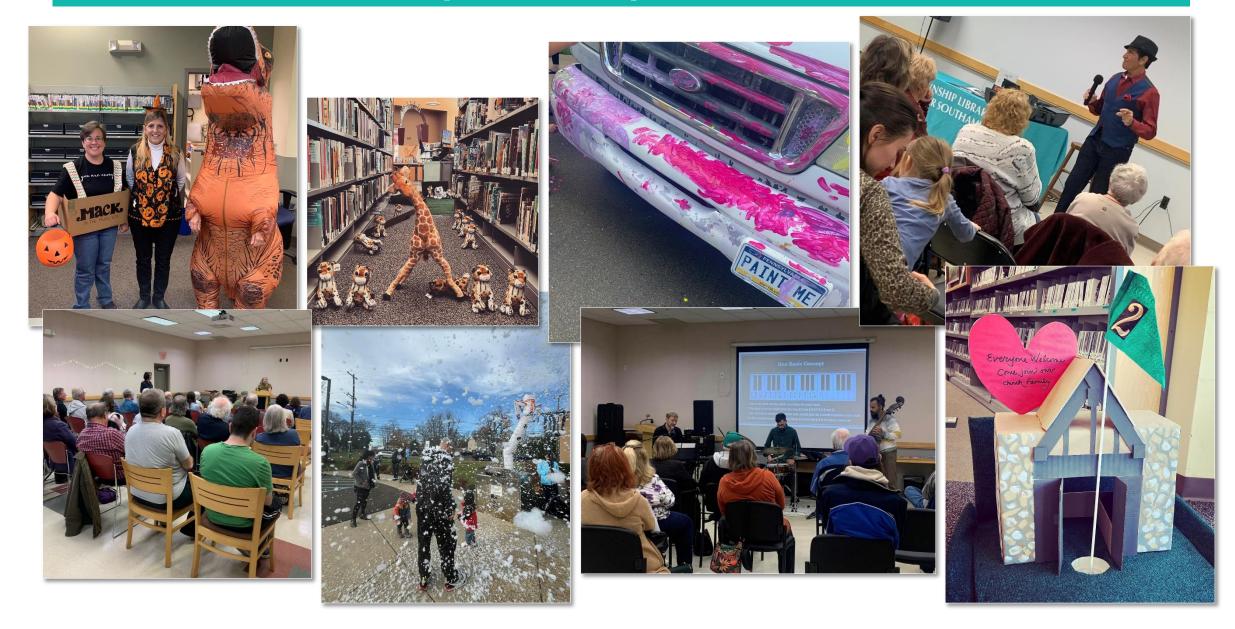
Township Library of Lower Southampton 2023 Annual Report



In 2023, many of our statistics continued to grow...

	2023	2022	2021
Physical items checked out at our library	90,283	83,508	76,037
Kids' materials checked out at our library	42,828	33,813	30,815
Library visits (door count)	61,464	50,218	39,792
New patrons added	545	731	410
Sessions of PC Use (visitors using library PCs)	3,035	2,895	2,047
Reference questions answered (est.)	7,150	6,500	3,600
Programs offered (incl. passive programs)	452	293	303
Program participants (incl. passive programs)	10,135	5,208	5,868

The library was the place to be in 2023



Changes in 2023

- New head of Youth Services! We welcomed Dawn Moriens to the library in October.
- Meeting room refurbishment is on its way! We acquired new chairs and fresh paint.

 Carpeting is on the agenda for 2024, as well as upgrades to the audiovisual equipment.
- **New phones!** We cut the costs of our telephone service by moving to VoIP, and got new phones as part of the bargain.
- New window tinting! We added much-needed tinting to some of the windows on our western-facing wall, and some on the east wall.
- New automatic door opener! We installed an opener for the inner door in the vestibule.





Additions to the collection

- New Museum Passes! We added passes for the Morven Museum and Garden (Princeton NJ), Wings of Freedom Aviation Museum (Horsham), and an extra pass to the Elmwood Park Zoo (Norristown).
- New Boardgames & "Things"! With the growing popularity of board games, we decided to increase our collection. We also bought several new items for our "Library of Things."







Staff:

Director: Sydney Mason

Head of Reference & Adult Services: Chryssi Gumina

Head of Youth Services: Dawn Moriens (Oct.-present);

Samantha Linskey (Jan.-Sept.)

Head of Circulation: Debbie Carroll

Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper: Karissa Riley

Information Desk Staff: Gerry & Sue

Circulation Desk Staff: Nancy P., Carole, Shannon, Evelyn, Rachel, Sue, Nancy Z. (sub), Debbie M. (sub), Dana (sub)

Office: Peggy

Shelver: Drew (Aug.-present); Ruby (Jan.-July)

Library Board

(during 2023):

Anne Berlin

Dr. Gary Bowman

Ellen Budman

Christopher Dunham

Michaele Johnson

Charles McCarthy

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