



SUTTON FREE LIBRARY

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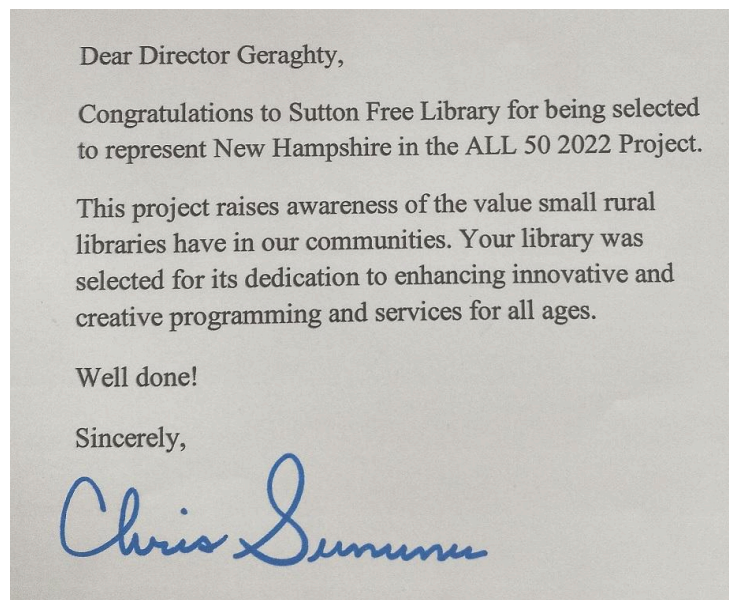
Thank you for helping to support and utilize your Sutton Free Library.

*Even though we stayed steadily busy during the past few
years of Covid, this year saw a huge jump in many of our stats!*

- **Use** - Many of you came in to pick up your new card library cards this year. There are currently **609** individual patrons cards in use with a total of **3,657** visits into the library in 2022.
- **Circulation** - Thanks to the various means of filling your library needs & requests, our total circulation for 2022 was **11,573** items. Which is **4,692 more** items coming and going than in 2021 which had 6,881.
- **Programs** - With outside programming in the spring, summer and fall, plus the slow return to normal inside programming, our participation numbers have greatly increased this year. We saw **1,187** patron program participants in 2022.
- **Building & Grounds** - We've had many building issues arise or resurface this year. Immediately addressed was the replacement of the old, not up-to-code, oil tank. The old tank has been removed and the new tank was installed in the furnace room. 2023 building projects will include electrical panel & wiring updates, indoor plumbing pipes discussion, and fixes for wet basement/ dehumidification/ foundation crack/ possible air pollution issues in the basement. Further ADA building compliance discussions will occur as well.
- **Service Updates** -
 - **Library of Things:** We have continued to add to our *Library of Things* with new items to check out including: an Orion StarBlast Telescope, three giant yard games donated by the Friends of Sutton Free Library, new Reading Buddies to practice reading aloud, and more to-go backpacks. Check out our full list at: www.suttonfreelibrary.com/libraryofthings
 - **Museum Memberships:** Thanks to the Friends of Sutton Free Library and their grant efforts, many museum passes were added this year. Stop by to check out passes to: Museum of Fine Arts Boston, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, See Science Center, Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum, the

Fells, Seacoast Science Center, Billings Farm, VINS, NH State Parks, Mc-Auliffe Shepard Discovery Center, and the American Precision Museum.

- **StoryWalk®:** The first year of our SFL Storywalk® saw over **361** visitors (that we noticed)! We're looking to include more community displays. If your local group has something you'd like to share, please contact us.
- **Recognition** - Sutton Free Library was selected to represent New Hampshire in the All 50 States project. Governor Sununu sent the following citation in recognition of our achievements.



Moving forward, we stick by our belief that Sutton's motto of "Enter Here To Be And Find a Friend" is a reminder of the very characteristics that create and encourage a deeper and more meaningful sense of community. Sutton Free Library is very much the epitome of this as it is a place for gathering, education, learning, sharing, playing and meeting.

Have other ideas of how we can service our patrons? Please share your ideas with us!

Respectfully Submitted,

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