

Quarterly update from Windham Public Library – 10/01/2021 - 3rd Quarter July-September

- Current hours
 - In-person browsing and Curbside pickup Mondays and Wednesdays 10am-7pm,
 Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am-6pm, Fridays and Saturdays 9am-4pm
- Staff news: Two Substitute Library Assistants hired substitutes will assist with coverage needs for vacations and sick time. Currently training is finishing up and they have been scheduled for vacations/sick days.
- Covid restrictions: The library strongly recommends masks, especially in the Children's Room and for those unvaccinated, as well as throughout the building. We have begun hybrid programming. Some in person outside, some in person inside, and some remains virtual. Any programs inside requires masks to be worn.
- The Library meeting room has transitioned back to being available for programs and use by outside groups. Masks are required for programs and recommended for outside groups, especially when social distancing can't be achieved.
- The library has been awarded an ARPA grant from the Maine State Library. This is a formula grant provided to public libraries throughout the state and specific to libraries. We will receive \$3,250 that will be used to purchase technology equipment to make hybrid/virtual meetings and programming easier and a more industrial air cleaner for the meeting room.
- Library visits and Circulation continue to increase as Covid restrictions have relaxed. We are not back yet to our pre-Covid numbers but are moving in that direction.
 - July Circulation: 8,415 physical materials and 1,320 digital checkouts, visits: 2,678 and Curbside pickups: 13
 - August Circulation: 7,159 physical materials and 1,287 digital checkouts, visits: 2,746 and Curbside pickups: 27
 - September Circulation: 6,916 physical materials and 1,255 digital checkouts, visits: 3,015
 and Curbside pickups: 24

Respectfully submitted,

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