



TOWN OF HUDSON

Library Board of Trustees



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Hudson Library Board of Trustees

Approved Public Meeting Minutes For

February 18, 2026

Present:

Trustee, Karen Bohrer, Chair
Trustee, Lisa Weber, Vice Chair
Trustee, Margaret St. Onge, Treasurer
Trustee, Mary Guessferd
Trustee, Ali Rafieymehr
Linda Pilla, Library Director
Bob Guessferd, Selectman

Call to Order: Trustee Bohrer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

Public Input: None

Motion by Trustee Guessferd to approve the Public Minutes of January 21, 2026 with edit. Seconded by Trustee Weber. All in favor. Motion passed.

Correspondence: None. Emails were received by David Lefebvre indicating that the policies were good.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Bohrer presented report in place of Trustee St. Onge. There were no changes or questions on the report.

TD Bank CD: Trustee St. Onge was going to make her recommendations but she is not here at the moment. The current rate as of last month was 2.5%. The current CD matured yesterday. After this meeting, Trustee Bohrer will follow up with Trustee St. Onge. Trustee Bohrer is asking to approve Trustee St. Onge's recommendation in order to notify TD Bank.

Motion by Trustee Rafieymehr to approve Trustee St. Onge's recommendation for a 7-month CD at a rate of 2.5%. Seconded by Trustee Weber. All in favor. Motion passed.

Trustee Bohrer informed Trustee St. Onge of the motion that passed regarding the CD when she arrived at the meeting.

Donations: None

Legislative Tracking: HB1214 did not pass. It was a 15/0 Committee vote. Only one person spoke in favor of this bill. There were over 1,000 sign-ins opposing this bill. It pays to pay attention to what's going on. The Conway Director spoke as well.

Selectmen Liaison's Report: I have nothing specific to the library. Candidate's night is tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center. This will give you an opportunity to meet the Candidates and ask questions. There are a lot of candidates. They will all have a chance to speak and the Moderator ask the questions provided by the community. It's a really great opportunity. I have always liked Candidate's night. It is also being streamed on HCTV. We have an election coming up and you will be able to vote for some of those Candidates as well as Warrant Articles. This is very important and is not well attended by the Town. We encourage people to come out and vote. Please exercise

your right to vote. This is what determines what your taxes will be. Voting will be on March 10th so the Selectmen's meeting will be moved to the 3rd then we will resume our normal schedule.

Director's Report: See attached.

Friends' Report: Both Trustee Weber and Director Pilla attended the Friends meeting last night. They will be sponsoring a Humanities program at the library on April 8. The Friends meetings are now being held monthly. National Library Week is coming up the week of April 19-25 and they are planning a few things. They are planning to put seed packets together during the March meeting. They are looking into doing a fundraiser at one of the local restaurants. The Casino paperwork has been approved.

Department Heads Meeting: The Department Heads meeting has been scheduled for February 26 at 3:30 p.m. and the all staff meeting has been scheduled for March 6 at 8:00 a.m.

Old Business:

Hills Building Update: The heating systems is all set. The SAU is still using it about two times per month. The Planning Board is using the building as well.

Strategic Plan Update: Trustee Bohrer and Director Pilla met to discuss the plan. They are putting together some working groups to discuss various initiatives. The plan and time line were reviewed and they are working to create working groups to address these initiatives. One group is being created for space planning. Promoting non-traditional services was something else that was talked about. This ties in really well with the new Social Media Policy. On March 7 we will be open an extra hour on Saturdays. We will reevaluate in 6 months to see how this is working and if it needs to be adjusted. We have a people counter so we will know if traffic increases during the new Saturday hours. The Strategic Plan is going to be reviewed on a monthly basis and Director Pilla will discuss this during the monthly Department Heads meeting. We will continue to monitor progress on the plan. Progress on the Strategic Plan will be reported on the library website as well as their newsletter and social media.

New Business:

Policy Updates

Non-Discrimination:

Motion by Trustee St. Onge to approve the Non-Discrimination Policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee Weber. All in favor. Motion passed.

Incident Reporting:

Motion by Trustee Weber to approve the Incident Reporting Policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee St. Onge. All in favor. Motion passed.

Recruitment and Hiring:

Motion by Trustee Weber to approve the Recruitment and Hiring Policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee Rafiymehr. All in favor. Motion passed.

Employee Separation:

Motion by Trustee Weber to approve the Employee Separation Policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee Guessferd. All in favor. Motion passed.

Wages & Salaries: Policy has been reviewed by the Trustees as will be sent to the town attorney for final review before approval.

Employee In-Processing & Orientation: Policy has been reviewed by the Trustees as will be sent to the town attorney for final review before approval.

Performance Evaluation: Additional edits will be made and brought back to the Board for their review.

Workplace Conduct: Policy has been reviewed by the Trustees as will be sent to the town attorney for final review before approval.

Social Media

Motion by Trustee Rafiymehr to approve the Social Media Policy with edits. Seconded by Trustee Guessferd. All in favor. Motion passed.

Circulation of Library Materials

Motion by Trustee Guessferd to approve the Circulation of Library Materials Policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee Rafiymehr. All in favor. Motion passed.

Trustee Comments:

Trustee Bohrer: This is my last meeting as Trustee. My term will be ending on March 10. I will continue to be a strong advocate for the library. You haven't seen the last of me. I have enjoyed my tenure on the Board of Trustees. I have been fortunate to work with colleagues who are dedicated to ensuring that Rodgers Library continues to be a community hub for all of Hudson and to provide the resources and programs that best serve everybody in town. I couldn't have asked for better colleagues and staff. I thank the voters in Hudson who gave me the opportunity to serve on the Library Board. Special thanks to Linda and Terri and the rest of the library staff and fellow Board members for all of the work you do to make Rodgers Library such a fine library. Thank you.

Trustee Weber: First and foremost, I want to thank Karen for her time and leadership. I was having a conversation with Linda last night about things changing in general, but you are one person who really digs in and finds out so much. Hopefully the next Chair can do the same. It's very intimidating. You will be missed and I'm glad to hear that you will still be a part of the library. It's February vacation next week so museum passes are available. They are the best thing going. I can't say enough about them. I'm sorry to see Karen go but she leaves behind a great legacy.

Trustee Rafiymehr: Ditto. The library staff are great. Every time I walk in, I see smiles. I would like to add that Gina was a great hire.

Trustee St. Onge: Ditto. We talked about outreaching to the schools and I do believe you reached out to the high school. I happened to have a ½ day and be at the library when the English classes walked in. I was excited to see this. I appreciate the outreach the staff has done and I anticipate being at more school visits to the library. It's a great way to connect with the youth.

Trustee Guessferd: This could be my last meeting but I am on the ballot for the next election. If it is my last meeting, I want to thank everyone very much. Vacation is coming up so read a book.

Future Agenda Items:

Next meeting has been scheduled for March 18, 2026

Motion by Trustee Rafieymehr to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Weber. All in favor. Motion passed.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee Bohrer – Yes
Trustee St. Onge – Yes
Trustee Guessferd – Yes

Trustee Weber – Yes
Trustee Rafieymehr – Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Cicia, Recorder
Rodgers Memorial Library

Rodgers Memorial Library Director's Report

Activities for January 2026

Greater Hudson Chamber of Commerce Dinner - Tuesday, April 7, 2026 (5:30 PM - 8:30 PM)

NHLTA Conference - Wed, May 27, 2026, Manchester

Friends of the Library - Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Library Board of Trustees - Wednesday, February 18, 2026

GMILCS Board - Thursday, February 19, 2026

Special Events in January:

01/01 Library closed for New Year's Day
01/19 Library closed for MLK Day
01/26 Library closed for snow
01/29 Polaris update
01/31 Town Deliberative Meeting

Regularly scheduled events:

01/07 Library Programmer's meeting
01/08 GMILCS Executive Board - Bedford Public Library
01/09 All Staff meeting
01/15 GMILCS Board Meeting
01/20 Tuesday Afternoon Book Club
01/21 Library Board of Trustees meeting

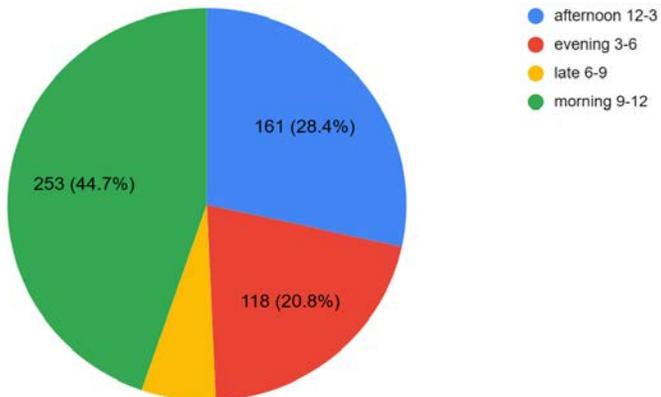
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RML Staff updates:

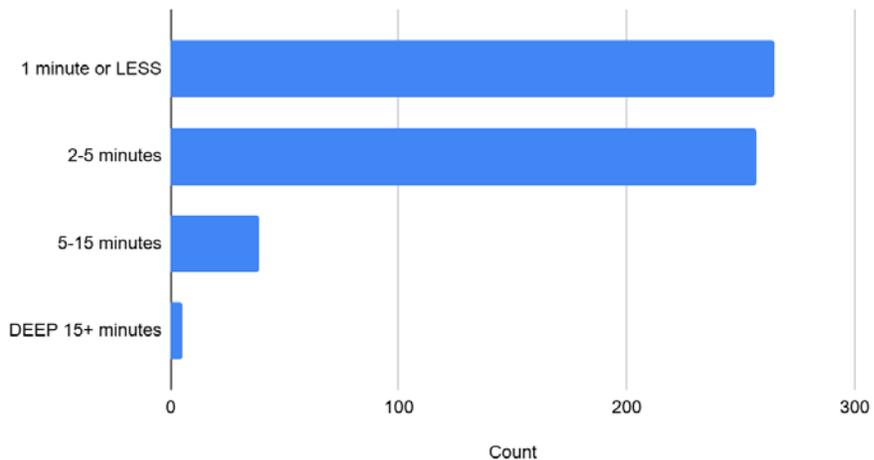
Gina Votour has been hired as the Head of Adult Services. This is a new position and heralds the beginning of a reorganization. Dana Benner is staying on for a period of time to assist with onboarding Gina and take care of some special projects.

Patron Interview Form

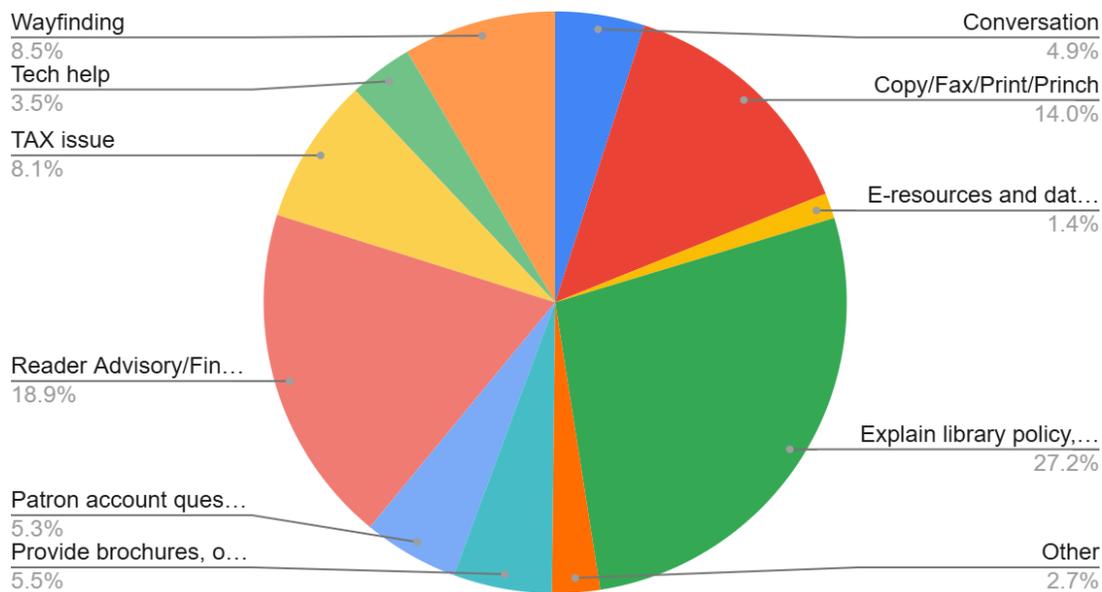
Time of Day - 566 responses



Total Count = 566



Discussion Topic



PROGRAMMING REPORT - Tanya Moesel with Carrie Loring, Marissa Sweeney, and Maggie Hyam

PROGRAMMING REPORT SUMMARY	Events	Participants	Average
Adult Programming Totals	32	545	17
In-person programming	25	397	16
Passive programming	2	126	63
Virtual programming	5	22	4
Outreach	0	0	0
Children's Programming Totals	33	1006	30

In-person programming	26	669	26
Passive programming	7	337	48
Virtual programming	0	0	0
Outreach	0	0	0
Tween/Teen Programming Totals	21	64	3
In-person programming	20	46	2
Passive programming	1	18	18
Virtual programming	0	0	0
Outreach	0	0	0
School Outreach Totals	0	0	0
In-person programming	0	0	0
Passive programming	0	0	0
OVERALL TOTALS	86	1615	19

ADULT/ALL AGES PROGRAMMING

This month, the library hosted a variety of well-attended programs serving diverse community interests. To support the popular January theme of personal planning, our programming included an annual Vision Board Workshop with Diane McKinnon and two Retirement Planning Workshops by Wright Choice Financial Group. The *Anxious Generation* book discussion drew 16 participants, with strong attendance despite inclement weather. And the highlight of the month was the second annual Craft Swap, which welcomed nearly 150 participants. Several staff members and the Friends of the Library were instrumental in helping Carrie make this event another huge success.

Program # of events	Target Age	Participants (average)	Description
In-Person Programs		25 events, 397 total	
Craft Swap (1/21-1/24)	Adults	147 people	Looking to clear out your craft supplies or find new materials for your next project? Join us for our Craft Swap at the library! We're hosting a fun, sustainable way to refresh your craft collection.
Retirement Planning Workshop 2 events	Adults	52 people (average 26)	This workshop, provided by Wright Choice Financial Group, will help you understand how to prepare financially and personally for life after work, covering essentials like income needs, Social Security, investments, and long-term planning for a secure future. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/27: 19 participants • 1/29: 33 participants
The Anxious Generation: Book Discussion and Workshop (1/17)	Adults	16 people	Are you concerned about anxiety in yourself or your loved ones? Join us for an engaging and enlightening workshop that addresses the pressing issues surrounding anxiety

			in today's world. Leave with an individualized action plan to improve attachment with your children of any age - or with anyone you care about.
Vision Board Workshop (1/22)	Adults	10 people	A vision board is a powerful way to jumpstart your year. Please join Diane MacKinnon as she walks you through the process of creating your own vision board.
How to Help When Someone You Love Uses Drugs (1/13)	Adults	3 people	Drs. Kate and Jonathan Peters join us to discuss steps and resources to help when someone you love uses drugs.
Technology Petting Zoo (1/8)	Adults	3 people	Come sample different devices at our Technology Petting Zoo! This unique event invites you to explore and engage with a variety of fascinating gadgets.
Zentangle Class: Forest Colors Zendala 2 events	Adults	10 people (average 5)	We'll use the Zentangle Method and add some color and shine to finish it off, using pastel chalk pencils and a white gellyroll pen. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1/7: 7 people ● 1/14: 3 people
Stitchers Group 5 events	Adults	65 people (average 13)	People come in to share their ideas, chat, and work on their current projects. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1/2: 12 participants ● 1/9: 15 participants ● 1/16: 16 participants ● 1/23: 12 participants ● 1/30: 10 participants
A Good Yarn 4 events	Adults	36 people (average 9)	Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, everyone is welcome to join us for A Good Yarn. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1/6: 3 people ● 1/13: 11 people ● 1/20: 11 people ● 1/27: 11 people
Dungeons & Donuts 2 events	All Ages	8 people (average 4)	Come play Dungeons & Dragons and grab a donut! All skill levels are welcome. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1/3: 4 people ● 1/17: 4 people
Rodgers Readers (1/8)	Adults	8 people	BYOB
Mystery Lovers Book Club (1/12)	Adults	13 people	Murder on the Iditarod Trail by Sue Henry
Nonfiction Book Group (1/14)	Adults	6 people	Founding Martyr: The Life and Death of Dr. Joseph Warren by Christian Di Spigna
Afternoon Book Group (1/20)	Adults	16 people	The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland by Jim DeFede

Crime & Cookies (1/21)	Adults	4 people	Hands Tied season 1
Passive Programs		2 event, 126 total	
Monthly Book Raffle	Adults	53 entries	Dear Debbie by Frieda McFadden
Football Basket Raffle	Adults	73 entries	Enter to win every time you come to the library
Virtual Programs		5 events, 22 total	
Genealogy Club: Tracing Immigrant Ancestors (1/9)	Adults	12 people	This presentation guides genealogists through organizing and sharpening their research approach. From constructing pedigree charts and surname lists to developing research questions and tracking sources, learn how to transform scattered information into a focused, effective research plan. With real-world examples and practical tools like research logs and repository lists, this session helps you uncover family history with clarity and purpose. Presented by Seema Kenney.
Author Talk: Heather B. Moore - "Julia" (1/12)	Adults	2 people	Join us for this virtual discussion with author Heather B. Moore about her recent release, "Julia", the untold story of Julia Child before she became a worldwide cooking sensation! We'll chat with Heather about the book, her writing and research process, and if she found any surprises when looking into the iconic Julia!
Author Talk: "Superspy Science: Science, Death & Tech in the World of James Bond" with Dr. Kathryn Harkup (1/14)	Adults	2 people	Learn all about the science behind James Bond's exploits – armaments, tactics, plots, and enemy tech.
Author Talk: How Librarians Became The Unlikely Spies Of World War II (1/21)	Adults	5 people	Author Elyse Graham will discuss her new book, Book and Dagger: How Scholars and Librarians Became the Unlikely Spies of World War II, the true untold story of the academics who became OSS spies, invented modern spycraft, and helped turn the tide of the war to defeat the Nazis.

<p>Author Talk: Agents of Change - The Women Who Transformed the CIA (1/28)</p>	<p>Adults</p>	<p>1 person</p>	<p>Author Christina Hillsberg will discuss her new bestselling book, Agents of Change: The Women Who Transformed the CIA. Explore the pioneering women who changed the insulated world of international espionage — from the barrier-crashing challenges of the 1960s to the present-day reckoning — told through the eyes of a former intelligence operative herself.</p>
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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

In spite of the severely cold weather, children's programs are packed. Explorers Storytime had its largest turnout ever this month. Families have enjoyed our Saturday programs and evening programs. We regularly receive feedback that patrons are happy to have evening and Saturday programming. We do serve a different demographic of patrons by holding programs at these times.

The youth services staff is working hard on programming for February and April vacations, as well as summer. We look forward to visits from C3Brix: The Lego Guy, Wildlife Encounters, and Magic Fred. Our summer theme is "Plant a Seed: Read," so we have plans for nature and plant-themed programs.

Tanya is working on developing the nonfiction collection by weeding outdated and worn books and purchasing books to fill the holes. We're also looking at ways to expand the space for the very popular graphic novel collection.

Program # of events	Target Age	Participants (average)	Description
In-Person Programs		26 Events, 669 total	
<p>Adventurers Storytime Tuesdays, 10 am (4 Events)</p>	<p>Ages 3-5</p>	<p>144 people 36 Average</p>	<p>Join us for a storytime adventure! We'll have songs, stories, bubbles, and a craft or activity for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/6 41 • 1/13 43 • 1/20 42 • 1/27 18 (snow)
<p>Movers and Shakers Wednesdays, 10 am & 10:30 am (6 Events)</p>	<p>Ages 1-3</p>	<p>229 people 38 Average</p>	<p>Join your friends for a storytime full of music, movement, and bubbles for ages 1-3 and their caregivers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/7 Cancelled due to snow • 1/14 45, 47 • 1/21 34, 31 • 1/28 30, 42
<p>Baby Lapsit & Playtime Thursdays, 10 am (4 Events)</p>	<p>Ages 0-1</p>	<p>36 people 9 average</p>	<p>Join us for interactive stories and songs for babies ages 0-24 months and their caregivers, followed by playtime. On the first of the month, a postpartum doula will join us to answer questions about parenting and child development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/8 20 • 1/15 4 • 1/22 8 • 1/29 4

Explorers Storytime Fridays, 1:30 pm (3 Events)	Ages 3-5	77 people 26 Average	Join us for a storytime adventure! We'll have songs, stories, bubbles, and a craft or activity for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/9 19 • 1/16 21 • 1/30 37
Elementary Name Snowflakes Wednesday, 1/7 5:30 pm	Grades 1-5	8 people	Students in grades 1-5 are invited to create a cut paper snowflake using their name.
Homeschool Math Through Art: Art Name Snowflakes Thursday, 1/8 1 pm	Ages 6-12	5 People	You can learn about math by doing art! Homeschool students ages 6-12 are invited to create a cut paper snowflake using their name.
Ice Cube Painting Saturday, 1/10 10 am	Families	34 People	Who says it's too cold to paint with ice cubes? If you're like Elsa and the cold never bothered you anyway, stop by to create a painting using ice cubes (watercolor and water) as your paint brushes.
Adopt-a-Penguin Thursday, 1/15 5:30 pm	Families	33 People	Come adopt a mini penguin stuffed toy and do penguin activities with your new friend.
Family Candy Bingo Tuesday, 1/20 6 pm	Families	16 people	Families with children are invited to join us for several rounds of candy bingo! Candy prizes will be awarded.
LEGO Club Wednesday, 1/21 5 pm	Families	8 people	Come build an amazing creation with our LEGO bricks!
Curious Kids: Winter Saturday, 1/24 10 am	Ages 2-6	46 People	Explore learning centers with your preschooler.
NH Special Education: A Basic Overview of the Process Wednesday, 1/28 6 pm	Families	7 people	This free workshop provided by the Parent Information Center in Nashua will outline information on the basics of the special education process, including your child's rights, how the process works, and how to speak up for your child.
LEGO Club Saturday, 1/31 10 am	Families	26 people	Come build an amazing creation with our LEGO bricks!
OUTREACH		0 event, people	
Passive Programs		7 programs, 337 Total	
Take & Make Crafts	Preschool & early elementary	226 People	Bagged craft to do at home. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 78 TMNT hearts • 9 coloring sheets

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 jellyfish • 40 potato heads • 75 snowflakes
Scavenger Hunt	Everyone		Penguins
Bulletin Board	Everyone	111 People	"Books make winter Bear-Able" – color or write your favorite book on a bear.



TEEN/TWEEN PROGRAMMING

With the cold weather, teens are not visiting the library after school. It's a long, cold walk from the high school.

Program # of events	Target Age	Participants (average)	Description
In Person Programs		20 events, 46 total	
Tween Minute to Win It Games Thursday, 1/22 5:30pm	Grades 4-8	3 People	Play Minute-to-Win-It games with your team.
Are You Smarter Than A Librarian? Tuesday, 1/27 6pm	Grades 4-12	2 People	Tweens and teens are invited to face off against librarians in a few rounds of trivia.
Teen Hangout M-F 11:30am, 12:30pm (midterms week), 2:30pm 18 sessions	Ages 13+	41 people <i>4 average/week</i>	Looking for a comfy space to hang out after school? Middle and high school students ages 13+ are invited to enjoy our teen space after school. Snacks, charging stations, video games, and crafts provided. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/5-1/9 10 (5 events) • 1/12-1/16 21 (5 events) • 1/20-1/23 5 (4 events) • 1/27-1/30 5 (4 events)
Outreach		event, people	
Passive Programs		1 event, 18 total	

Teen Raffle Basket	Ages 13-18	18 participants	Teens are encouraged to enter the raffle every time they visit the library.
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SCHOOL OUTREACH

Mr. Pooler, the Dean of Academics at Alvirne, was able to advertise our Teen Hangout space in the school's weekly newsletter. For February, we set up visits to RML for all of the sophomore English classes. We have also been invited to the school district's family literacy night in March. We are excited to continue working with the school district.

REFERENCE REPORT - Mark Stawecki

Museums

Reservations are still high for Sensory Seekers. Overall, it's been a slower month with the winter and start of school. Mark started to look into renewing the seasonal passes that open in the spring such as Castle in the Cloud and Davis Farmland.

Per a discussion with Linda, the "Reservations Placed" column will no longer be on the reports. Mark and Linda also discussed printable museum passes that patrons can checkout from home, and Mark is communicating with the MFA on this possibility.

Name	Checkout
Sensory Seekers	29
New England Aquarium	8
Currier Museum of Art	6
Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum	5
Museum of Fine Arts Boston	5
Museum of Science	3
Boston Children's Museum	2
Discovery Museum	2
SEE Science Center	2
Animal Adventures Family Zoo & Rescue Center	1
Aviation Museum of New Hampshire	1
Children's Museum of New Hampshire	1
McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center	1
Salem Witch Museum	1
Wolf Hollow	1
Zoo New England	1

Social Media - Angie implemented a new program in which those seeking to post on social media would open a ticket for her to make the post. This includes sharing content from Canva to Constant Contact.

Rodger That! Google Analytics shows 136 active users for an average engagement time of 46 seconds. No new review was added:

YouTube We have 105 subscribers, same as last month. There were 38 total views and 1.3 hours of watch time. No new content was added.

Facebook 1,967 followers, six more than last month; 19 posts; The post with the most Engagement at 259 was a post about our Craft Swap.

Twitter / X 564 followers, two less than last month; 22 tweets; The post with the most views at 73 was about our upcoming Books vs. Movies program.

Instagram We continue to see a small yet steady increase in followers; 12 posts; 398 followers; 23 interactions

Genealogy

For January, we held a virtual presentation called "Building a Targeted Genealogy Strategy" by Seema Kenney. 12 attended out of 18 registrations. There were no genealogy requests.

Non-Library Programs

GROUP	DATE	ATTENDANCE
GFWC	Jan 7	23
Rotary Club	Jan 8	15
Hudson Democrats	Jan 15	4
Lockwood Place	Jan 28	32

Total attendance = 74 (not counting VITA)

Study Rooms	53 instances, 92 attendees
Study Carrels	17 instances
Patron PCs	150 and 79 Guest users

Other

Mark hosted a Technology Petting Zoo in which patrons could drop by and sample items from the Library of Things. Three people stopped in.

Mark worked with Linda and Steve Mandra from VITA on reserving additional space for tax preparation.

IT/Tech Services Report - Angie Hurshman

Piloting of a new social media scheduling workflow began on Dec 3, 2025, and only included Adult Services Programming content. All Programming content was added to the pilot on January 14. All staff will be included on February 6th. The piloting phase will be complete by March 2nd, at the 3-month mark.

We added Niche Academy to our e-resources this month! This includes a patron academy with tutorials about how to use our databases, e-reading apps such as cloudLibrary and Libby, plus more; and also a staff-facing academy for trackable training and professional development with existing resources and webinars. Both academies allow for the creation of customized tutorial and training content for RML. Will add usage statistics of Patron Academy starting next month.

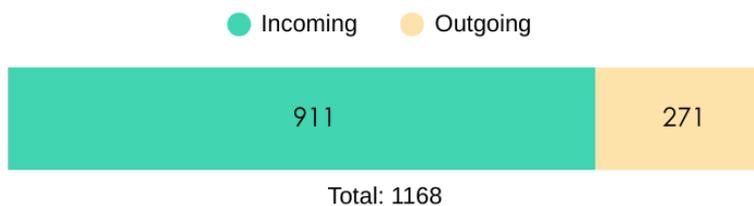
Routine Tasks:

3-Month Fic and NonFic circ stats to date: NovDecJan26

- This report tracks NEW NonFiction and Fiction book checkouts over a 3-month period.
- The books below were available for checkout **Nov 1, 2025 - Jan 31, 2026**
- Nonfiction titles are sorted from most to least checkouts and include the name of the librarian who ordered the item(s)
- [Jan 3-month Non-Fiction](#)
- [Jan 3-month Fiction](#)

Website: There were **34 changes** to the website in January 2026.

Telephone calls



Technology Tickets: We responded to 16 requests for IT help from staff

Library H3lp (chat program): 5 chats using the website Chat app.

Princh (wireless printing): 280 print jobs

Digital Engagement Overview:

Constant Contact (CC) Core Plan

- Current projected end of prepaid-subscription is **January 31, 2027**

Prepayment is made for 12 months at current rate to maintain prepaid plan pricing, but costs can increase at arbitrary times and affect the monthly payments drawn from the prepaid balance; which can in turn

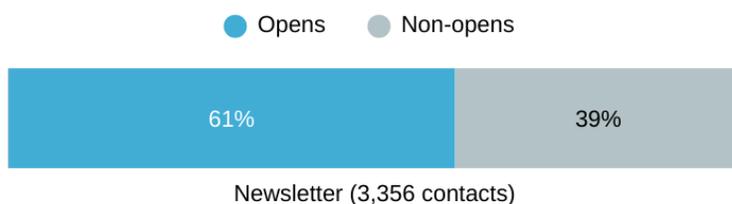
change the service/subscription end date before the next 12-month prepaid renewal. Payments are drawn on the 1st of each month. Our current prepaid balance is **\$758.25** and monthly payments are **\$68.25**.

Social Media Tickets

Be aware that there is a delay between when posts from tickets are added to the schedule and when the content is actually posted, therefore there is a delay in recording the resulting engagement for those posts. In the future, the social media engagement statistics graph below will include engagement for the previous 3 full-months. This process has been running since December with Adult Services Programming, and all Programming was added in mid-January. Also due to holidays and snow days, there was a slowdown in tickets being placed. Posts about closures and delays are not included in "Total posts."

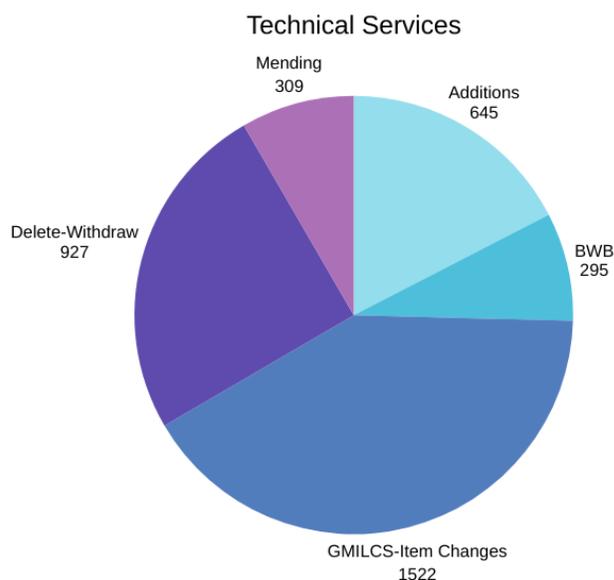
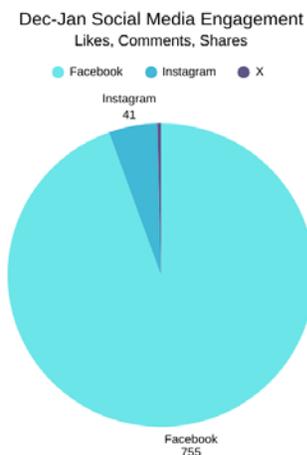
- We responded to **6 tickets to schedule social media posts** from staff
- Total posts: **15**

Email Lists Engagement, Jan



Genealogy email list stats not available for January, last email sent on Dec. 31st. 113 contacts in Jan.

Social Media Engagement, (likes, comments, shares), Dec-Jan



Technical Services, Dec-Jan

- Additions (physical items): **645**
- Better World Books: **295**
- Changes to GMILCS items: **1522**
- Deletions/Withdrawals: **927**
- Graphic novels: **X**
- Mending: **309**

(Do you want this pie chart instead of or in supplement to the list on the left? Let me know.)

JANUARY 2026 CIRCULATION REPORT - Gina Votour

SPECIAL EVENTS/NEWS

Library visitors - 5539 visitors in January (We had 4847 visitors in December).

Hours: The library was open for 216 hours during January; it was closed for 32 hours.

*Thursday, January 1 for New Year's Day

*Monday, January 19, for Civil Rights /MLK Day (8 hours)

*Monday, January 26, due to inclement weather. Also for the weather, 2 hours early on January 6th and 2 hours late on January 7th.

Notary Service(s): 12

We issued **57** new patron cards in January. The total number of active patrons stands at **7460**.

We had **2** patrons utilizing our Books by Mail program.

Message Bee

Message Bee is broken down into 6 categories: First Overdue, Second Overdue, Almost Overdue, Autorenew, Card Expires, and Hold. The total sent through message Bee was 359 for January.

Outgoing faxes: 60

Circulation

	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Increase/Decrease		Jan 2025	Jan 2026	Increase/Decrease
Adult	2463	2784	+13%		2581	2784	+7.9%
YA	211	248	+17.5%		236	248	+5.1%
Children's	2829	3050	+7.8%		2970	3050	+2.7%
Tween	211	241	+14.2%		264	241	-8.7%
TOTAL	5714	6323	+10.7%		6051	6323	+4.5%

Downloadable eAudiobooks, eBooks and ePeriodicals (Overdrive & Cloud Library)

	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Percent Change
eAudiobooks	1248+111=1359	1452+114=1566	+15.2%
eBooks	667+112=779	735+114=859	+10.3%
ePeriodicals	377	488	+29.4%

Kanopy

	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Percent Change/ Notes
Visits	351	471	+34.2%
Pages	426	668	+56.8%
Plays	60	101	+68.3%
Total # users	196	202	+3.1%

Interlibrary Loan

		Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Percent Change
Materials Requested by Hudson patrons	Requested	123	141	+14.6%
	Filled	68	88	+29.4%
	Percent filled	55%	62.4%	
Materials lent by RML to other libraries	Requested	92	112	+21.7%
	Filled	78	87	+11.5%
	Percent filled	85%	77.7%	

GMILCS Statistics

Jan 2026 - RML is currently a net borrower of GMILCS items, as our patrons borrow more items from other GMILCS libraries than we send to the other member libraries.

RML as Assigned Library	677	- RML items checked out at other libraries - Does not include RML items circulated from RML - The number is for items circulated.
RML Patron Circulations	6440	Checkouts and Renewals by RML Patrons at all GMILCS libraries
RML as the loaning library (items from other libraries checked out at RML)	1038	- Items from other libraries checked out at RML - Does not include RML items circulated from RML - The number is for items circulated.

Respectfully Submitted

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