



Annual Report

2019

The mission of the Victor Farmington Library is to promote and nurture a sense of community by offering the space and resources for educational, recreational, and cultural enrichment for patrons of all ages.



Director's Report

Forward Progress

As we look back at 2019, we think the typical thoughts: the year went by so quickly or how it was such a busy year; however, maybe you're like me and feel this last year was a blur, and you're not really sure you accomplished anything at all. On reflection though, it becomes evident that 2019 was indeed a productive year for the library. There has been considerable forward progress in the last twelve months.



As many of you know, the library board has been exploring options for creating a larger library for the community. In the first quarter of 2019, we completed a space study analysis of the building and realized we need a library that is approximately two-and-a-half times larger than what we have. Various data was gathered to determine this number: circulation numbers, door counts, room usage, population growth and trends, and most importantly, we asked you – the community members and library users – what you wanted to see in a library.

That leads us to a separate survey the library distributed over the summer and completed in September. This survey asked how and why people use the library, and what they liked and dislike about it. 734 people responded to it. 82% of those respondents believe we need a larger library. You want more room for books, for programs, and more room for meetings and quiet spaces. The common theme was that you expect more from the Victor Farmington Library. The community has spoken and we are responding.

While we continue to explore options for increased space, the library continues to be a strength and foundation in the community we love and serve. We offer so much more than books – we have museum passes, a metal detector, astronomy and birdwatching kits, free internet access, public computers, and a variety of adult, teen, and children's events and classes. The library exists for you to connect - to connect to ideas, to people, to information. It is truly a place where you can expand your knowledge and experiences.

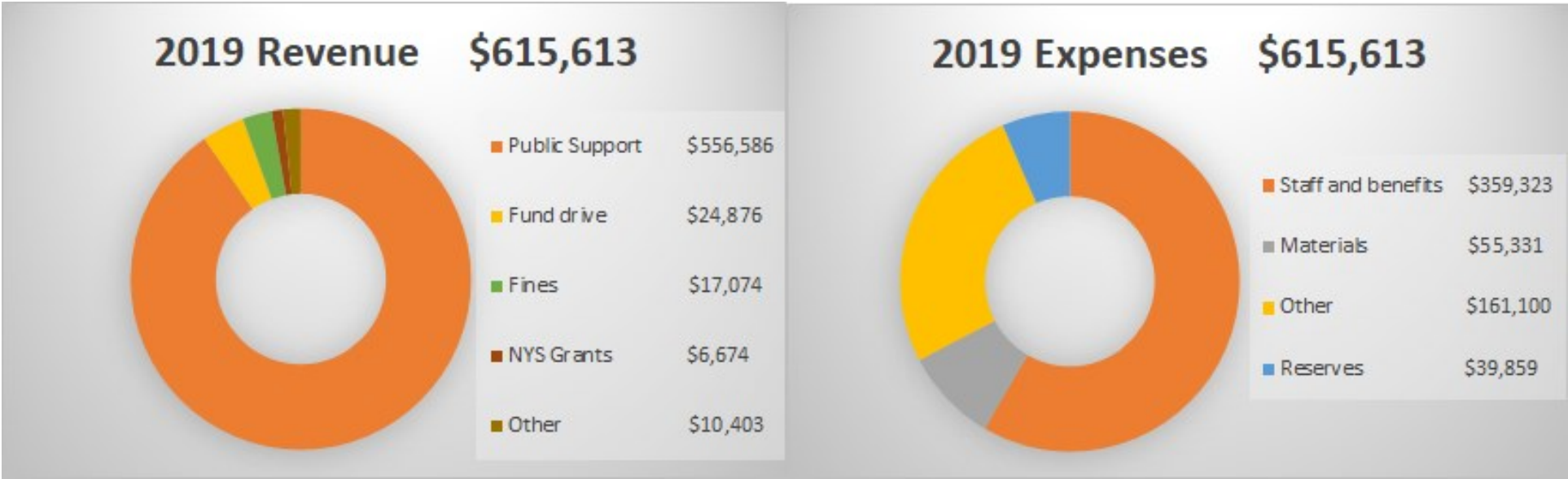


We continued to improve our services to you in 2019. We promoted staff member Dori Eisenstat to a part time teen librarian position. There is a vibrant and active teen population in Victor and Farmington and we want to be a part of it. Dori has done a tremendous job connecting with our teen population. We also hired Jessica Pritchard as our new Development Manager. Jessica's fundraising background will provide further opportunities to bring you more of what you've asked for. We've also hired six new front desk staff members who have made an immediate and positive impact on what we do here. It is our outstanding staff who make the library so wonderful and run so efficiently.

Lastly, the library would not be what it is today without the dedication of our board members, committee members, staff, volunteers, and Friends members. We do what we do because of the passion, dedication, and support of our library family. We look forward to providing you with more opportunities in the years ahead.

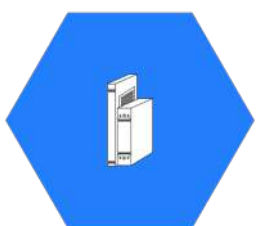
Sincerely,

Tim Niver, Director





VFL By The Numbers



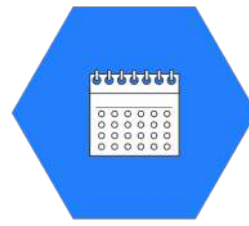
139,772

Items Borrowed



116,535

Visitors



890

**Programs and
Events**



13,428

**People Attended
Programs**



417

**Non-library related
meeting room reservations**



3,987

**One-on-one meetings held
outside of meeting rooms**



1,042

**New Library Cards
Issues**



5,966

Wifi Sessions



6,214

Computer Logins



Local Partnerships

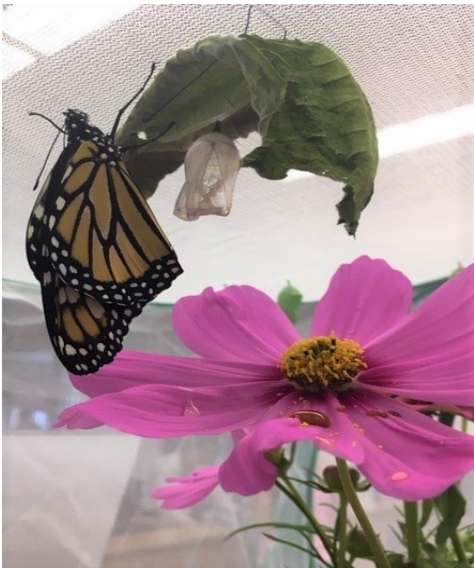
- AARP
- Burroughs Audubon Nature
- Cobblestone Arts Center
- Farmington Chamber of Com-
- Farmington Tops Grocery Store
- Friends of VFL
- FLCC
- Finger Lakes Photography
- The Legacy at Victor
- Ontario County Sherriff
- Pioneer Library System
- Salvation Army
- Serenity House
- Side Street Laundromat
- Town of Farmington
- Town of Victor
- Town of Victor Historian
- Victor Central School
- Victor Chamber of Commerce
- Victor Farmington Food Cupboard
- Victor Hiking Trails
- Victor Parks & Rec
- Victor Tree Board
- Village of Victor

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