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Dear KFL Champion,

THANK YOU for cheering on KFL and for being a member of our donor family! Your support brought more programs, expanded services and collections, and improved technology to our community. Our most popular offerings combined creativity and connection, which we all need as we recover from the disruption and isolation of the pandemic. Here are some highlights:

- **Music** 🎵 Sea Shanties, Celtic Christmas Concert, Drums of West Africa
- **Arts and Crafts** 🖌️ Paint & Sip, Craft Cart kits, Take & Makes
- **Diverse Collections** 📚 New titles, displays, e-content
- **Collaborations** 🌲 Nature Reads w/Kennebunk Land Trust
- **Technology** 💻 National Digital Equity Center partnership, Tech Time

You also joined us on the journey to becoming a Family Place Library. We have made progress, but there is much more to do, and **you can help!**

What is a Family Place Library? It is a library with specially trained staff that combines carefully selected books, games, and toys with thoughtfully designed spaces to foster early learning. Family Place Libraries™ expand the traditional role of libraries by positioning them as community centers for early literacy and childhood development, parent education, and community-based resources.



(Chef Primrose creating in the KFL Family Place kitchen)

Where is KFL in the process of becoming a Family Place Library?

- ✓ Family Place training was completed by staff.
- ☐ Developing parenting and early childhood collections and materials.
- ☐ Designing a welcoming Family Place space in the Children's Room.
- ☐ Building relationships with community agencies.
- ☐ **"1-2-3, Play with Me!" workshop series to launch this Spring!**

As a Family Place Library, KFL will nurture lifelong learning beginning at birth. Parents and caregivers will connect with each other and community resource professionals each week of the program; learning and growing along with their little ones. While incredibly worthwhile, this programming is expensive. **Please join us with your generous support** as we work to strengthen our community by supporting our youngest patrons and their families.

Want to increase your impact across ALL programs and services? Join me in the Monthly Sustainers Circle and make a difference year-round! Your recurring donations help us grow new programs like Family Place, sustain our ongoing work, AND plan for the future.

Why Give Monthly?



It's easy.

Automate your gift using your credit card. After you plug-in your information the first time, you won't be bothered again!



It's affordable.

Tailor your payments to what makes sense for you and your budget. Plus, you can change your donation amount at any time!



It's sustainable.

Monthly gifts are extremely impactful. They sustain our day-to-day operations! Your gifts will make a difference every day, all year long.

Join our Monthly Sustainers Circle today and you will help us reach our goal to welcome 30 new monthly donors to the KFL giving family. Have questions? Give me a call at 207-985-2173 or stop by KFL for in person assistance.

It all comes down to this... **We can't do what we do without YOU.** Please help KFL, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, raise \$200,000 by June 30, 2023, to supplement municipal appropriations from the towns of Kennebunk and Arundel. Thank you for making your tax-deductible donation today.

My deepest gratitude,

Michelle K. Conners, Director

P.S. Donating online is easy and secure at www.kennebunklibrary.org. Click on the "Support the library" tab to make a one-time donation or **set up a monthly donation and increase your impact!** *Thank you!*