NORTHBOROUGH

What will you discover?

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Dear Neighbor,

As we begin another incredible year at the Northborough Free Library, we find ourselves reflecting on the countless lives that have been enriched through the power of knowledge and community. Thanks to supporters like you, our library has become a beacon of inspiration, fostering learning, imagination, and connection for individuals of all ages.

In the past year, we have witnessed the power that reading has to transform lives. Our diverse collections empower children to discover the joy of storytelling, teenagers to explore new worlds through literature, and adults to continue their lifelong pursuit of knowledge. **Over 208,000 items were checked out from our library in FY23- an all-time record!**

Beyond materials, our workshops and programs offer every resident an opportunity to connect with neighbors, improve their quality of life, and foster a love of lifelong learning. An increased focus on health and wellness through an updated Community Resource Guide, CPR and Narcan training, and wellness workshops has helped many of our neighbors become more prepared to handle emergency situations, foster a sense of community resilience, and cultivate a healthier and more balanced lifestyle.

However, our journey is far from complete, and we need your support to continue making a difference. Your generous donation will directly support:

- Enhancing our community programs to provide more exciting learning opportunities for all ages and interests.
- Update our physical spaces to ensure our community benefits from an enhanced and modernized learning environment.
- Supporting community outreach programs and partnerships that make knowledge accessible to everyone.

By contributing to the Northborough Free Library, you become a crucial part of a community that believes in the transformative power of knowledge. Your support ensures that we can continue inspiring minds, fostering creativity, and strengthening the foundation of our community.

To donate, simply fill out the enclosed card and make your check payable to the Trustees of the Northborough Free Library, or go to <u>www.northboroughlibrary.org</u> and click "Donate."

Thank you for being a vital member of our library family. Together, we can create a brighter future and a stronger community for everyone.

Warm regards,

Signature

Michelle Rehill

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