



## ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Your public library remains a community center you can trust. Comsewogue residents continue to count on their library to curate and make available quality information and a variety of opportunities for everyone's needs, growth and well-being, from birth through adulthood.

Your modern public library is wherever you are - at the Terryville Road location, at home, or on-the-go. Choose a book, movie or video game from the shelf, or use your device to access a digital album or magazine, novel, travel guide, free tutoring service or job skills course. It's never been truer that there's something for everyone at your public library.

Thanks to the community's steadfast support, the Library was in a position to make significant capital improvements within the past five years. The roof and all rooftop HVAC units were replaced, and a major heating equipment replacement (boilers and pumps) is underway, as is a skylight replacement.

Your library is in a good position to face the future, and will do so with the community. The Board of Trustees, staff and I look forward to continuing to serve you. The Library Administration has developed an appropriate and fiscally-responsible proposed operating budget.

We appreciate, encourage, and will continue to listen and respond to your suggestions, ideas, and questions. Planning and implementation takes place with your input in mind. Let's keep the conversation going and the connection strong.

Your feedback remains critical to our success! Please call (631) 928-1212 ext.112 or send comments and suggestions to me at: [debbie@cplib.org](mailto:debbie@cplib.org).

*Debra Engelhardt*  
Library Director

### *2022—A Year in Review*

- ◇ 4-Star Rating from *Library Journal*
- ◇ Programs & Events Held: 4,300+
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- ◇ Digital Book & Audiobook Downloads: 97K+
- ◇ Partnered with local organizations on projects & events
- ◇ Welcomed an Assistant Library Director

### *2023—What We Are Planning*

- ◇ Continuation of Quality Library Service Program
- ◇ Facility Upgrade: Boilers & Pumps Replaced  
(previously funded & selected for NYS Construction Grant)
- ◇ Facility Upgrade: Skylight Replacement  
(previously funded; located in Children's Dept.)
- ◇ Expansion of *Library of Things* Collection  
(option to reserve items for specific dates)
- ◇ Ongoing Updating of Public Spaces
- ◇ Future Planning Based on Your Input  
(Building & Grounds Enhancements, New Initiatives)