2022-2026

# Livingston Free Library

Long Range Plan



## History

An association library given its provincial charter in 1906. It was organized by Cora Reeve and located in the town hall. Ida Potts gave money to buy the land and build a library which was completed in 1914. Both women put donations of \$2000 in their wills. An addition was completed in 2001 to the original structure to provide a handicap ramp, additional space for collections, computers and printer.



#### Mission Statement

The Livingston Library will provide a wide variety of resources and services to enable community residents to meet their personal, educational and professional needs. The Trustees will ensure that the Library will: supply adults with current reading materials, offer reference services to students, and provide an environment that encourages children to discover the joy of reading and an appreciation of learning

Adopted by the Board of Trustees, February, 2007





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So much has changed since our previous Long-Range Plan was done in 2017. When a world-wide pandemic hit in 2020, the library had to adapt the manner in which we provide services to our patrons.

In addition to in-person programs, we now offer online programs which are recorded and viewable on our website. In response to increased demand for e-books and e-audio books by our patrons, we purchased *Hoopla*, an online platform with thousands of titles.

To better meet the needs our our community, in the spring of 2022, a community survey was sent to our patrons. Their recommendations for future programs and services are reflected in this plan.



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## your community hub

Learn new things and connect with your neighbors at our free events.



The Livingston Free Library is a small library in a rural community. We offer youth and adult programs, book clubs, summer reading programs, voter registration forms, WiFi, computers for patron use, books, DVD's, CD's, periodicals, e-books, kindles, Hoopla, and museum passes.

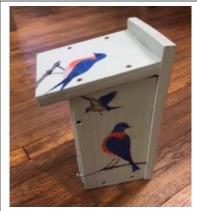
We can't wait to see what you do with your library card!

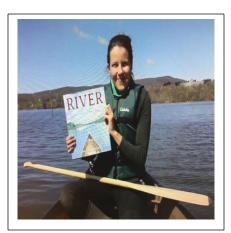
At Home Learning Kits

**Museum Passes** 

**Recorded Programs** 







### **Our Goals**

Expanding the hours and days the library is open.

Accommodating patrons who are unable to to use the library in traditional ways.

Explore the use of delivery services to homebound patrons.

Continue to upgrade technology available for patron use.

Make the library website more accessible to non-English speakers, and those with hearing and sight impairments.

Partner with local organizations to better serve our community.

Find new funding and fundraising possibilities.

Encourage early literacy to help our community's children be better prepared for school.

Offer computer programs

Expand nature and wildlife programs for audiences all ages.

Promote the Summer Reading Program.

Expand e-book and e-audio book collections.

Help patrons feel more connected to the community by informing them of events and happenings in the Town of Livingston.

Work towards making the library more energy efficient.