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Morton Memorial Library Pine Hill

Our library visits increased by 13% in 2019, from a total of 3,133 to 3,560, and our total number of check outs for adults was up 90 % (6388, up from 3421 in 2018). The increase of 154% of check outs for children's materials was even more impressive: 524 in 2019, 206 in 2018.

In 2019, we increased the number of programs we offered by 77%, from 78 to 138. Of these, 72 were for children.

Unsurprisingly, program attendance was also up in 2019. Overall, program attendance was up by 27% (from 944 to 1205), but the big increase came with our children's programming – a 150% increase, from 272 to 685. We are very proud of our commitment to children, and to our patrons' response to our programming.

In 2019, our summer programs were very well received.

- More than three times as many kids participated in the "Summer Reading Program," compared to 2018 (41 kids registered, up from 11), and overall we had an increase of participants of 127% from 2018.
- We were also very happy to provide 193 free lunches (for kids and teens under 18) in July and August of 2019, which were provided by the "Food Bank of the Hudson Valley."

In 2019, we were able to offer a "One on One Computer Help" program thanks to a grant from MHLS.

Our local public funds also increased thanks to the 414 vote in November of 2018.

We achieved a 72% increase for our budget, from \$26,465 in 2018 up to \$45,450, which made it possible to increase our weekly hours from 20 to 24 hours.

We are so grateful for our community's support!