ANNUAL REPORT 2021

GARFIELD Public LIBRARY

DIRECTOR'S VIEW

The beginning of the year still found us all in the restrictions of COVID 19 virus. The Library opened to the public with limited time within the building for computer use, picking up requests, returning items, and grab and go crafts. NO indoor programs, no tutoring were allowed.

Construction started in the fall for the downstairs restrooms further stopping any programming to be held in the Community Room.

The annual Tree Lighting was restricted to 50% capacity but video and pictures were posted on Face Book so all could enjoy the Polish carols. The Children of Casmir Pulaski Polish School did a marvelous job explaining and demonstrating their Christmas Eve traditions.

During this COVID Time the staff was busy weeding out books, making room for new editions, inventorying the collection and planning for our reopening to indoor programs.

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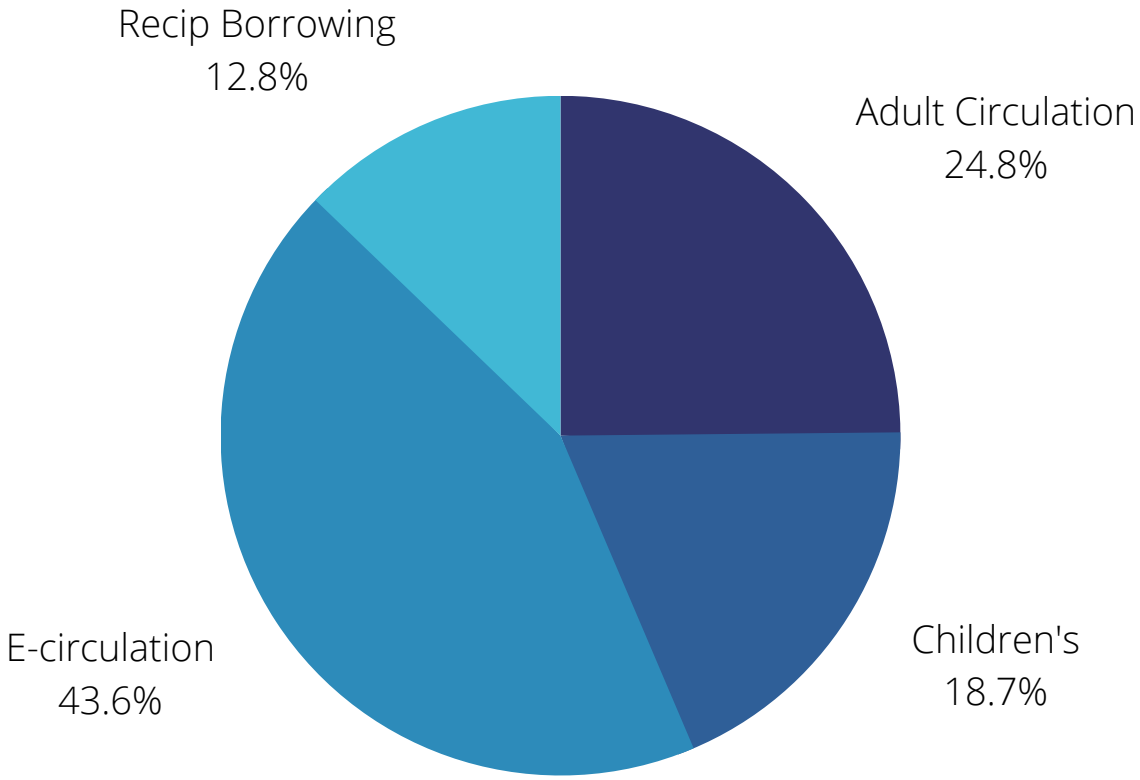
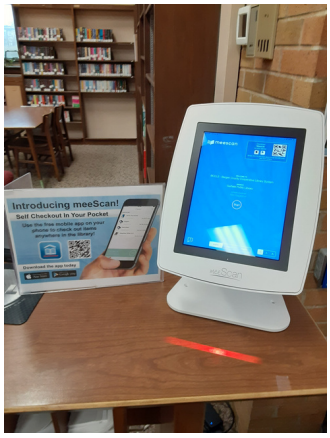




MEE SCAN

Self Check out available by the Catalog Look ups and an App is available for you to download and scan with your own device.

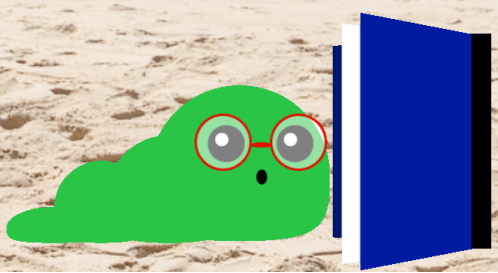
Summer Reading

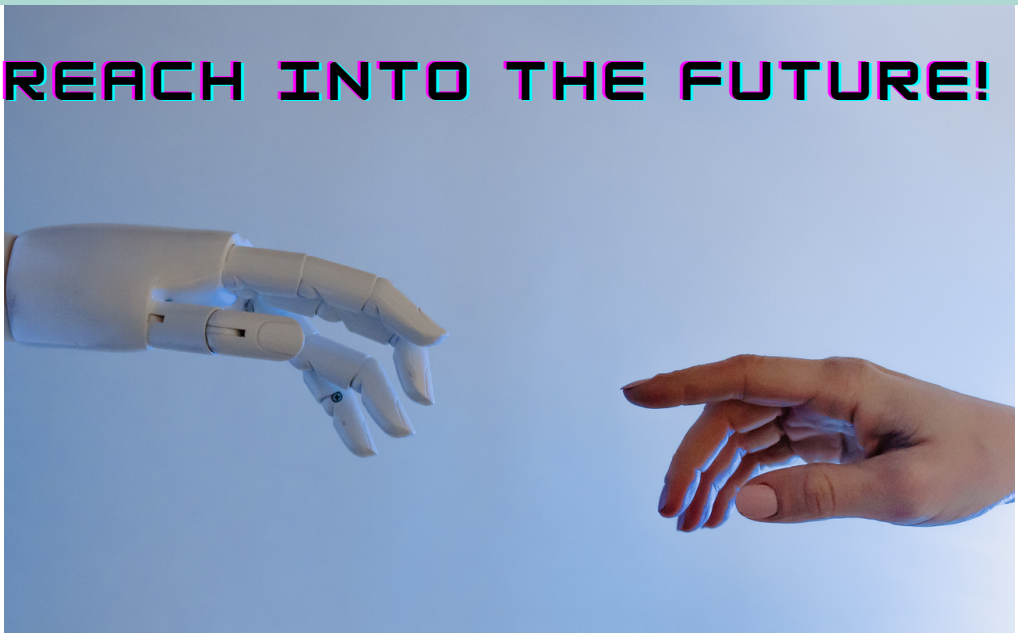
175 participants recorded their reading this summer.
641 books were read by our participants!!!

HOOPLA gave our patrons an additional million items to view

23,085 people walked in our doors even with the COVID restriction!!

Our computers were used 3,665 times.





What we are looking forward to in 2022

Construction being completed downstairs.

More programs indoors for children AND adults.

Full indoor capacity for programs.

Preparing for our Centennial Celebrations!

Friends of the Library growing in numbers

***NEW** Officers for the Garfield Foundation!*

***MORE** Garfield Residents coming to the Library.*

Book Sales

Meeting again face to face.

NJ HEALTH CONNECT

Garfield Library will have I Pads for adults who need access to Telehealth Services.

FOR ADULTS

Hot Spots

VOX BOOKS

Books that speak for children and adults learning English

NEW MEDIA CENTER

New *Laptops,* ***New*** *location in library,*

NEW *ADA compliant Circulation Desk*