At our core, the Cuba Library is dedicated to free and equal access to information, knowledge, learning, and the joys of reading for our diverse community. We seek to create lifelong learners through quality and current programs and materials for all.

In 2019, the Library took significant steps towards creating more access that is equal for all by removing overdue fines for almost all items. By removing this barrier to services, the Library saw a significant increase in use—in both circulation and use of the building. We also added five hotspots for check out in an effort to help provide more internet access to the community.

Beyond our bookshelves, expanding knowledge at the Library takes many forms—classes, displays, and hands-on training. We continue to invest in our early literacy and afterschool programs to improve the lives of our community’s children. Meanwhile, our art classes, technology training, and lectures have helped many people gain new skills and knowledge.

Throughout 2019 we worked to develop and adopt a new long-range strategic plan. This document maps out plans for innovative ways the Library can expand our reach. By collaborating with area organizations, the Library hopes to reach and support more members of the community.

No matter how patrons engage with the Library, all who walk through our doors deserve an equal opportunity to grow, learn, and advance. It is thanks to our generous supporters that we’re able to best support and strengthen our community in today’s changing world. What could be more powerful than that.

TINA DALTON
Library Director
Every year, the library seeks to provide excellent programming in a variety of topics. This year was no different. We had programs on sewing, financial and computer literacy, as well as history lectures. We partnered with a variety of authors, artists, and experts to bring free, educational, and entertaining programming into the community.

In 2019 the Library had:

- 116 adult programs
- 23 teen programs
- 225 children's programs
**Friends of the Cuba Library, Inc.**

**Friends of the Cuba Library, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the Cuba circulating library through fundraisers and largely, advocacy.**

**In 2019, the Friends funded a variety of programs and services, including:**

- **The purchase of hundreds of children’s books through the Pilcrow Grant**
- **Small Town Christmas crafts**
- **Programming for adults**
- **Summer reading programs**
- **A canopy, table, and tablecloth**
- **DVD disc repair machine**
- **Juvenile nonfiction books**
- **Funding for staff training**

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**Use of the Library**

- Visits to the library: 33,861
- Registered patrons: 4,729
- Items checked out: 23,925
- Use of library computers: 2,999
- Wifi access: 2,429
SUMMER READING 2019

THIS SUMMER...

212 people participated in our Summer Reading Program.

48,126 minutes read
269 books read

500+ book prizes given to children and teens
60 prizes given to all ages

75+ hours of programming for all ages

our Little Green Man was found by visitors to the library 138 times

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