

Mont Vernon Library Charitable Foundation

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MVLCF news

Hi Everyone!

As we begin 2024, I want to take a few minutes to reflect on 2023 and thank you all for your outstanding support. It's hard to believe all that happened in one short year!

We kicked off 2023 announcing \$150K in new Naming Rights commitments before Town Meeting. Although the vote for a new library in Mont Vernon did not meet the required 60%, it was encouraging to see that a majority of residents do believe the need is real. This reminds us why the Foundation was established—to bring other sources of funding to the table to reduce the project's effect on property tax rates and enable a resounding **YES** vote at Town Meeting.

Undaunted, we got back to work to make this year's bond even smaller.

- ✦ Partnered with NH Charitable Gaming to host two events that raised over \$76K*. This relationship has the potential to provide ongoing funding for future library improvements.
- ✦ Raised more than \$37K*, in just 24 hours during #NHGives.

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DONOR LEVELS	GIFT VALUE
RARE EDITION	\$25,000
FIRST EDITION	\$15,000
COLLECTIBLE	\$10,000
CLASSIC	\$5,000
PULITZER	\$2,500
BEST SELLER	\$1,000
PAGE TURNER	\$750
DEBUT NOVEL	\$500
BOOKMARK	\$250

Donors at each level will be recognized appropriately within the library and will also be recognized online and in various Mont Vernon Library Charitable Foundation publications.



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- + Teamed with two of our sponsors to host a free Canobie Lake Park ticket raffle and sing a few tunes with The Incidentals during the Summer Concert Series.
- + Our volunteer-organized and led auction event in November raised over \$70K* in a single, fabulous evening. **We really do have the best supporters and volunteers!**
- + Won a grant from the Samuel P. Hunt Foundation, which supports arts and culture, health, and children and youth programs in NH, valued at \$25K*.

**Including the 25% match from the 2022 NEH Grant*

So here we are in 2024, looking ahead to the Town Meeting and getting the 60%+ Yes vote we need. The team is hard at work totaling your donations and preparing to publicly acknowledge each generous gift in the new library. We need to be sure we get your name just right on the plaques that will honor Leaf Donors, Naming Rights Donors and the many who qualify for our Donor Levels. Are you almost a Best Seller? Would you like to be a Collectible? **Did you know that you can pledge contingent on a YES vote at Town Meeting?**

As we tally up the total MVLCF project commitment, it's the perfect time to consider a final donation or pledge to make the project irresistible to voters. Since the Library Building Committee has succeeded in holding the total project cost steady, every single dollar that you contribute or pledge will reduce the bond amount that Town Meeting 2024 voters will be asked to approve.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for Town Meeting on March 13th! Together we can bring Mont Vernon's new library to life. Thank you for your continued support.

With gratitude,

Cindy Raspiller
President MVLCF



calling all library lovers
MARCH 13th
Town Meeting

Doors open at 6pm.
Meeting begins at 7pm
PLEASE COME EARLY!

VOTE YES!
for the
NEW LIBRARY

Every vote counts!
You can only vote on
March 13th in person
We need 60% to win!
Let's fill the room!!! Bring
family friends & neighbors!
Share the word on
social media

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OPT OUT BY REPLYING WITH THE WORD "UNSUBSCRIBE" IN THE SUBJECT LINE.