

Libraries store the energy
that fuels the imagination.
-Sidney Sheldon

The Collins Library has computers, books, DVDs, audiobooks, magazines and more. Online, you can access virtual programs, e-book, and do research on anything from your family tree to a college paper. Visit us and explore!

Gifts and Contributions

Special thanks to the Friends of the Collins Library for all of their support in 2024. Our annual book sale was a huge success, and we have been able to add to our Library of Things Collection. We look forward to more events in the coming year! Consider joining to support your library.

Also thanks to:

- Senator Patrick Gallivan
- Assemblyman David DiPietro
- Legislator John Mills
- Gowanda Central School District
- Collins Regional Historical Society
- Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation
- NYS Department of Library Development
- Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo - Mary N. Riggs Fund, and Mr. Andy Carr

And to the many individuals whose donations and memorial gifts make this library so special!

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Library Hours 2025

Monday 10-7
Tuesday 10-7
Wednesday 10-5
Thursday 10-7
Friday 10-5
Saturday 10-3
Sunday closed

TOWN OF COLLINS PUBLIC LIBRARY

REPORT TO THE
COMMUNITY
2024



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2024 BY THE NUMBERS

Items Loaned	57,650
Individual Visits	21,587
New Items	1,549
Reference Questions	921
Answered	
Public Computer Sessions	1,470
Free Wi-Fi Logins	3,259

Program Highlights	
Kids Programs	75 with 1,372 attendees
Teen Programs	15 with 34 attendees
Adult Programs	76 with 403 attendees
All-ages Programs	123 with 1,637 attendees
Outreach	4 with 11 attendees
Tech Training	5 one-on-one programs
Online Videos	53 with 3,656 views
	3,016 take home crafts



For more information about resources, programs, and services, call the Town of Collins Public Library at 716-532-5129

Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram to be the first to know about all of our programs and events!



Please consider making a tax deductible donation or memorial gift to the Town of Collins Public Library.

YEAR IN REVIEW 2024

2024 was a year of excitement here at the Collins Library.

This year's newest programs included a Lap Sit for young children, an Art Show for teens and Adults, Teen crafts and Take & Make activities along with book boxes; expanded Summer Reading programs so teens and adults can join in the fun, and even more new story times and kids DIY projects throughout the year. There were five free community concerts, and we went into the community with groups to let everyone know what is available at the library!

In April we were lucky to catch a glimpse of the total solar eclipse, and to distribute eclipse glasses leading up to the event.

2024 was also the return of our summer hot dog roast! It was an exciting day of food, fun, and minigolf!

We have added a number of new items to our Library of Things Collection. With the generosity of our Friends of the Collins Library and the Ralph Wilson Jr Foundation, we have been able to add items like a corn hole set, play parachute, NYS Empire parks pass, and more to our collection. We encourage everyone to explore all of our Things!

The library also has sports kits and Chromebook with Wi-Fi hotspot to borrow, so just ask at the desk to place a hold. Our Libby and Hoopla apps are great for digital content like eBooks and more. Free Wi-Fi is available 24/7 in and outside of the the library. The Library is still offering curbside pickup for those who would like things from the library without coming inside. Call to set up a pick up appointment.

Our library remains Fine Free, with no fees for late items or reserves. New this year is anyone in New York State is eligible for a free library card!

Our buildings and grounds got a few upgrades with a freshly paved parking lot, and new drinking fountain.

The entire staff and Board of Trustees would like to thank the community and the Town of Collins for its enduring support. We strive to make the environment as friendly and healthy as possible, and continue to make changes to better serve our patrons, and welcome your feedback. Stop by and visit us often!

