

## Strategic Operations Report: April, 2021

	Igniting Community Dialogue, Discovery and Debate	Leading a Learning Community	Readying our Capabilities
Collaborative Relationships	<ul> <li>Attendees for Ancestral Voices series programs: Authors Lee Maracle (18) and Francesca Ekwuyasi (20)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attendees for programs in partnership with Shadowpath – Reading Club monthly series (18)</li> <li>7 attendees for the Welcome Centre story time session</li> <li>Another Parent-Child Mother Goose series began with 17 in attendance to date</li> <li>32 attended the STEAM sessions for older children</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Staff continued with customer service training presented by the Town's customer service supervisor.</li> <li>Attended information meeting on Superstar Storytelling Summer Program- a Durham/York regional libraries' initiative for author visits with popular Scholastic authors, contests and social media engagement at a reasonable cost.</li> </ul>
Spaces			<ul> <li>Library was limited to curbside service for the month of April</li> </ul>
Positioning	<ul> <li>Social media posts continue to do well in spreading library news</li> <li>Participated in the Newmarket Chamber of Commerce Virtual Home Show event through opportunity provided by Neighbourhood Network support for non-profits.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Systems and Strategic Projects Officer modified Lendery hold/items limits in preparation to re-open the service.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Met with community member Lillian Michiko Blakey an artist/educator who provided insight and reference to resources to assist in assessing collections for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI)</li> </ul>

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Resources	<ul> <li>Marketing and Communications Coordinator wrote copy and designed graphics to promote 10 programs via the library's social media including – Ancestral Voices Author Series; Spring into Gardening; Earth Day; Scientists in School; Learn to Use Ancestry; Classic Play Reading Club; Dementia Umbrella</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>New user sign-ups for Overdrive (79), for Hoopla (54)</li> <li>469 plays on Kanopy</li> <li>Adult Services held five book club zoom meetings</li> <li>Digital/Maker programs attendance (total of 6) for How to use eAudiobooks, and Knitting Circle.</li> <li>Attendance totaled 32 for Stewards of Nature, and 18 for Spring into Gardening</li> <li>Children's programs - total attendance of 148 for Hoppy Easter , Spring Break; Earth Day, Virtual Reading buddies, Advanced Reader's Book Club, and Author Sarah Prineas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contributed library content to the Town's HomeSweetHome webpage and the Seniors Centre newsletter</li> <li>Wrote and submitted article for local media: Newmarket Public Library re-opens the Lendery with tools, appliances, sports equipment and more for loan</li> <li>Learning &amp; Discovery Librarian is assisting with adult programs in absence of a Community Engagement Librarian</li> </ul>
Organization & Operations	<ul> <li>Staff completed Public Programming in the Pandemic, a 3- week certificate program delivered through Library Journal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Staff attended training webinars through Ontario Library Services: Supporting Young Learners at Home, and 2021 TD Summer Reading Club</li> <li>Staff attended additional STEM workshops presented by Spectrum- Nasco</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manager, Library Services has taken on managing of the Circulation staff team and additional programming to cover the gap created with the resignation of the Community Engagement Librarian.</li> </ul>