

Friends Contributions

Special Projects

Renovation project in library's front lobby \$80,000
Total..... \$80,000

Technology/Equipment

Ancestry.com subscription (renewal)..... \$1,335
Library equipment upgrades..... \$500
Total..... \$1,850

Programming

Children's Room and additional programs..... \$7,530
Total..... \$7,530

Library Development

Staff professional development opportunities
..... \$1,600
Total..... \$1,600

Collections

Adult and Children's Collections..... \$6,000
Total..... \$6,000

**2018 Friends commitment
to the Milne: \$96,980**

A New Chapter Begins

In Summer 2018, the Friends of Milne Public Library Board decided to embark on a new endeavor that it believes will enrich the community and allow the Friends to continue its financial support of the library.

Chapter Two Books, a new second-hand book store at 37 Spring St., opened in the fall thanks to the hard work of numerous volunteers and the financial support of numerous area businesses.

The store promises to allow the Friends to circulate gently used books in the community, add to the vibrancy of the town's central business district and create revenue to support vital library programs.

"This new endeavor means we will not be holding the large Annual Book Sale in April at Williamstown Elementary School," Milne Board President Michael Sussman wrote in an August letter to the Friends membership. "In recent years the Friends have had increasing difficulty staging the Annual Book Sale. The causes are numerous - a severe drain on our volunteers' time and energy, increasing costs, difficult logistics surrounding transportation and disposal of books.

"We continue to have a strong base of volunteers, many of whom are working year-round behind the scenes to sort, price and organize books in preparation of the opening of Chapter Two Books and other sale events."



About the Friends

The Friends of Milne Public Library is a 501c3 charitable organization which raises funds through memberships and used book sales, while the Library Trustees raise funds through their Annual Appeal. The Trustees fund operational needs; the Friends support non-operational needs. Your support of both the Friends and the Trustees helps the library thrive.

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