

Village of Ballston Spa

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Date: 1/7/22
Year: 2021
Department: Library
Purpose: To inform the public of the multitude of resources at the library. Also to highlight some of the projects, programs and statistics generated during the year 2021.

Department Demographics:

Department Head Name:	# Full Time Staff:	#Part Time Staff	# Seasonal Staff
Andrea Simmons	1	4	1

Statistics/Data: *Items checked out: 32,598 *Overdrive (electric books & audios) checked out: 7,776 *Kanopy (streaming service for movies) viewed: 955 *In-house computer sessions: 1,113 (this includes a brief shutdown in January 2021) *In-house Wi-Fi usage: 993 *Interlibrary loans received to fulfill patrons requests: 9,328 *Interlibrary loans sent to other libraries: 4,252 *New patrons registered: 229 *New print items added to the collection: 915 *New a/v items added to the collection: 208
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- *Children's programs (virtual): 62
- *Children's program attendance (virtual) 317
- *Children's programs (in-person): 30
- *Children's program attendance (in-person): 401
- *Adult/Teen programs (virtual): 7
- *Adult/Teen program attendance (virtual): 59
- *Adult/Teen programs (in-person): 11
- *Adult/Teen program attendance (in-person): 107

Upcoming/Ongoing Projects:

On January 17th, 4 banks of lights will be added to dark areas of the adult fiction section. Clune Electric is hired to do the job.

Upcoming project: The downstairs public bathroom is slated to be renovated pending Village Board approval.

The children's area is getting a facelift with a shift of shelving and furniture. A future casual seating area will be added as a result of our efforts.

Working with architect/project planner, Paul Mays from Butler, Rowland and Mays architects. He will help the staff and library board trustees prioritize future capital projects.

Upcoming Needs:

We could like to add computers dedicated to children.

To be determined after meeting with Paul Mays

Important Information the Public Needs to Know:

Ballston Spa Public Library (BSPL) is a great resource for information both educationally and for entertainment. In addition to books, we also feature the latest feature films for rent, audiobooks, and music CDs. BSPL is a depository for Ballston Spa and Saratoga County local history. Patrons can also access services remotely. Our downloadable ebook/audiobook service, Overdrive features 1000's of titles for free! Patrons with a BSPL library card can access the movie streaming service, Kanopy. We have a Wi-Fi Hotspot that you can check out for a week. Coming in January, BSPL will feature a museum pass to the Children's Museum at Saratoga. BSPL has 5 public access computers the public can access with an ID or library card. There's a copy machine and fax machine available for patron use.

BSPL hosts programs on many different topics for patrons of all ages. Such programs are literary events, musical acts, instructional workshops and so on. For children we have a weekly early literacy program and take and make craft kits. Children also partake in an immersive Summer Reading Program. All programs are free.



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01/10/2022

Honorable Mayor Fitzpatrick
Trustee Raymond
Trustee Kormos
Trustee Baskins

Department Head report January 10, 2022

Purpose:

BALLSTON SPA POLICE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Ballston Spa Police Department to provide Law Enforcement services to all citizens and visitors to the Village of Ballston Spa by being committed to reducing crime through effective crime prevention and intelligence driven policing strategies. It is our mission to treat all people with respect and dignity and to deliver the highest quality of police service working within the framework of the U.S. and N.Y.S. constitutions.

Department Demographics:

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- (3) Three Full time sworn Officers.
- (14) Fourteen Part time sworn Officers
- (1) One Part time PEO (Parking enforcement Officer)
- (2) Two Part time school crossing guards.
- (1) One Part time Cleaner.
- (22) Twenty-two total staff.



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Statistics/Data

PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2021 – DECEMBER 31, 2021

The Police Department attempts to run 2 Officers a shift, Days, Eve, and Nights. With a population of just under 6000 residents and a commuter work force and visitors at around 2500 during a normal workday 2 Officers are the bare minimum to ensure the standard of Policing that the Citizens of the Village expect. Following are some Statistics of Policing in the Village. It should be noted that there will be adjustments to some of these numbers due to continuing Court cases and final Autopsy results.

489 Traffic Citations
19 DWI/DWI Drugs
96 Penal Law arrests
32 Unattended Death Investigations
13 Autopsies
101 Motor Vehicle Accident Investigations
37 Welfare checks
36 Child Protective Services Investigations
79 Mental Health/ Suicide Interventions
57 Vehicle / Residential Lockouts
67 Domestic Incident Investigations
2 Inter-Agency Narcotics Investigations
852 Parking Citations
203 Criminal Investigations closed w/o arrest or pending
3 NARCAN Reversals
79 EMS/FIRE Assists



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Upcoming/ Ongoing Projects:

Planning for a PSA Outreach meeting.
Ever changing Policies and procedures.
Continue to provide Police services to the Village.

Upcoming Needs:

Patrol Vehicles Approx. \$50,000 each
Body Cameras. Approx. \$199.00 per month per Officer (Depending on possible State Mandate)
In lieu of C.A.D. system, a Computer system that generates case/arrest number and allows for recall of data. \$?

Important information thePublic Needs to know:

We are on duty 25/7/365
Our Station is generally unmanned, there is a red phone box on the front of the station which will connect to the Saratoga County Sheriff Dispatch. Our Office Number (518)885-5033, in emergency 911.
It is my belief that every crime has a victim and that victim deserves the best from their Officers to help them in a very difficult time.
No one ever calls the Police when their having a good day.