



Dear library friend,

Love is in the air and Western Allegheny Community Library is here to connect you with an abundance of resources that you'll LOVE! September is **Love Your Library Month** in Allegheny County, giving you the once-a-year opportunity to take advantage of the prorated match provided by the Jack Buncher Foundation, maximizing the impact of your generous donation. The library has been an amazing resource for my family, and the more time I spend here, the more my passion grows. **I love what libraries stand for.**

Some of the things our library offers may come as a surprise, even for a library lover like you!

- Seniors and residents who qualify can get their taxes done, absolutely free.
- We have an extensive Library of Things, that allow you to borrow unique items, such as a carpet cleaner, pressure washer, video game console, internet hotspot, cornhole set, and SO much more.
- You can get your documents printed, notarized, and faxed all in one convenient location.
- Our collection includes literally hundreds of thousands of downloadable books, streaming movies, audiobooks, music albums, and more - all completely free through our eLibrary.
- The Friends of the Library maintain five "Little Free Libraries" throughout the community where you can pick up books without the worry of having to return them.

As you know, public libraries are nonprofit. But did you know that they are magical? **Libraries transform** the funds we receive through contributions and grants far beyond their value into education, entertainment, employment readiness, and senior assistance, just to name a few facets of our community development. And you, a valued community member, are at the heart of that transformation.

We know you love your library, so why not tell a friend, so they too can take advantage of all we have to offer? To help us spread the word about the **magic of libraries**, we are launching a special social media campaign on Facebook. For the first time ever, one lucky person will have the chance to win (2) free tickets to "Fall for Your Library," our area's premier food and beverage pairing event being held on September 16<sup>th</sup>. All you have to do is share the "It All Starts with a Library Card" post from September 1<sup>st</sup> which mentions the giveaway and tag us @WACLlibrary, and you will be entered to win. But, do it soon, as the winner will be selected on September 5<sup>th</sup>.

Again, we cannot **thank you** enough for being a donor, for being a friend, for being someone who loves their library, and being a *crucial* part of Western Allegheny Community Library's commitment to serving the community!

Happy "Love Your Library" month!

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Board President

P.S. To take advantage of this year's "Love Your Library" match, please visit our website at [westernalleghenylibrary.org](http://westernalleghenylibrary.org) by September 30.