

# LOVE **YOUR** LIBRARY

September 1, 2019

Dear Friend,

What does your community need?

Do they need high-speed internet access? Do they need early learning programs? Do they need community social groups, career resources, tax assistance, or exactly the right book? Do they need somewhere to study, somewhere to work, or somewhere to play? Do they just need somewhere to get out of the rain? Your community — and you! — can find what they need at C.C. Mellor Memorial Library. With more hours, more items, more services, and more locations than ever before, CCM is committed to becoming the best library for *you*.

And *your gift* makes all these things possible. This September, help us reach our goal of \$30,000 and 50 new donors. Donate before September 30 and your gift will be matched!

## ***Celebrating New Beginnings***

2019 has been an exciting year for CCM! You may have visited our new Forest Hills branch in the Forest Hills Borough Building, right on the border of Forest Hills and Wilkins Township. In February, CCM Forest Hills celebrated its 1-year anniversary! CCM Forest Hills is

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AND BECOME A SUSTAINING DONOR TODAY!*

now reaching more people and providing more services in its new location, including one-on-one technology assistance, gaming groups, after-school STEM programs, and the Artist & Authors series (sponsored by the new Friends of the Forest Hills Library).

You may have attended our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party in June, where more than 150 library lovers came together to celebrate and connect. It was CCM's first-ever gala event, and it was an enormous success. I was truly touched by the outpouring of support for our community institution.

Throughout our 100 year history, CCM has been lucky to have such robust community support. Will you become a donor this month and help us continue to grow?

## ***A Step into the Future***

CCM has provided internet access to your community for decades, and in June, CCM began lending Chromebooks and Wi-Fi hotspots from both of our locations. This program has been a runaway success – we can't keep the darn things on the shelves! Outside of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, CCM is the *only* library in Allegheny County that lends Chromebooks. We're so excited to be library technology pioneers!

Putting the internet in the hands of our patrons is one of the many ways that we are serving your community beyond the doors of the library. With an ever-increasing collection of ebooks and audiobooks (have you downloaded the Libby app yet?), CCM is committed to bringing the library to YOU, wherever you are!

Your donations make new, forward-thinking technology services like these possible. Without your support, CCM would not be a technology leader among Allegheny County libraries.

***Make your gift go even farther in September!***

Your gift made through September 30 will be MATCHED! Thanks to the generosity of the Jack Buncher Foundation, CCM will receive a pro-rated portion of a \$150,000 match pool to support our general operations. That means your donation will help us keep the boiler going in the winter, keep the lights on at night, and keep the beautiful roof of our historic Edgewood building from leaking on the circulation desk (again).

Becoming a sustaining donor is the easiest and most effective way to support CCM's work in your community. By setting up a monthly recurring donation, you can ensure that CCM has a reliable source of revenue. Even a donation as small as \$10 per month can make a big difference!

Our goal for Love Your Library 2019 is \$30,000 and 50 new donors, and we can only meet that goal with your help! Complete the enclosed form or visit our website, [www.ccmellorlibrary.org](http://www.ccmellorlibrary.org), to become a donor today. Don't forget: Make your first sustaining donation on or before September 30 and have it MATCHED!

Your gift is so very important to us. Without donors like you, CCM could not be such an outstanding community resource. See you at the library soon!

Sincerely,



Erin Pierce  
Library Director

(P.S. Starting September 1, CCM is now a fine free library! Visit our website to learn more about our new policy or check the online catalog to see the new balance on your library card. Guess what – it's zero!)

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**Don't miss these  
upcoming library events!**

October 29, 2019:  
Halloween Parade

December 7, 2019:  
Arts & Crafts Fair

March 6-10, 2020:  
Book Sale