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To our Crafton Neighbor,

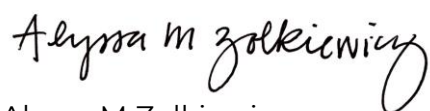
This year has been challenging; I am sure you don't need me to tell you that. We must remind ourselves, though, that this year has also been filled with wonderful opportunities to shift, learn, and grow. I want to encourage you to take a moment to reflect on the good and appreciate the positivity of this year by telling you how Crafton Public Library has continued to serve our community through the difficulty of 2020.

We have found great joy in being able to keep in touch with our community virtually on our website, Facebook page, and Instagram account by sharing a different Library resource, community resource, activity, or anecdote nearly every day of the week. We promoted use of our Wi-Fi connection from the parking lot and circulated Wi-Fi hotspots to those who do not have access at home. Our digital collection of books, movies, music, magazines, and more is always available through our eLibrary, and our physical collection has been made available through curbside pickup. While this isn't how we are used to promoting and providing our services, we have learned to adapt in order to keep you connected to the valuable resources the Library provides. Be sure to keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for further service updates!

Recent events have also served as a reminder of the vital role libraries play in connecting communities with resources that address social justice issues, particularly those focused on the promotion of inclusion, justice, and equity. Crafton Public Library is proud to serve as a safe space where all walks of life are accepted and embraced. We are committed to sharing stories and lifting voices that have historically been silenced. We know that change is coming, but we must do the work—not just for today, but for our future.

This September, it is our hope that you will support Crafton Public Library in our continued effort to evolve and progress by making a monetary donation of any amount in honor of **Love Your Library Month**. The Jack Buncher Foundation is once again generously matching all individual donations made in **September only** up to \$500 each on a pro-rated basis. Every little bit helps, and in September, one dollar can go farther! Donations can be made to the Library through the mail by check made out to Crafton Public Library or online at www.craftonpubliclibrary.com/support-us.

Thank you for your continued support!



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