



ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR - JANUARY 2022 thru DECEMBER 2022

Statement of Purpose:

The Safety Harbor Public Library Foundation was established September 2004 by request of the City of Safety Harbor Commission to encourage private support to ensure the library's growth and perpetuity. Through memberships, donations, and fundraising efforts, the Foundation provides valuable resources to ensure the library's future for the public providing culture, community, and connection.

Mission:

To foster the growth and development of the Safety Harbor Public Library, ensuring its future as an indispensable community resource.

Vision:

To ensure the library continues as a center for educational and cultural enrichment through advocacy and funding support.

The Foundation creates a greater appreciation of the library as a community asset through advocacy and works to establish a sound financial base for the library to ensure it continues to be a vibrant institution fostering literacy and a love of reading, a door to learning, and a gathering place for community enrichment.

Statement of Activities:

Building Community Partnerships for Community Enrichment:

The Foundation hosted several events to raise funds for the Let's Build a Story capital campaign and placed emphasis on the 2022 membership and year end donor appeals. The Board continues to actively pursue donors for naming rights of the second story. The fundraisers were well received by the community, providing opportunities to highlight the Foundation's goal to raise \$500,000 for the support of the second story. Board members continue to initiate social media fundraisers to solicit donation and awareness.

Advocacy:

The Foundation partners with library staff to build awareness and visibility in the community. Board members attend community events and commission meetings, are members of other non-profit boards, attend library programs, city sponsored events, and are advocates for our Library. The Foundation continues to build and expand its partnerships with Safety Harbor businesses, the Friends of the Safety Harbor Public Library, other non-profits and civic groups. The Foundation appreciates Southern Fresh, Troubled Waters Brewing, and Anthony's Coal Fire Pizza for their support in 2022.

Fundraising:

During the first quarter of 2022, the Foundation hosted Casino Night, Links for our Library, and Midnight at the Masquerade, an interactive dinner theater. In March, the Foundation presented New York Times best-selling author Sarah Penner in a free community event. A do-over Adult Prom in August was a great success, ensuring a second event in 2023. The annual Jazz on the Waterfront was rained out, with hopes of better weather next year.

Capital Campaign:

In 2015, the Foundation, in partnership with the Friends of the Library and the Safety Harbor Library Advisory Committee, kicked off the *Let's Build a Story* capital campaign to enhance the building of a second floor, state-of-the-art community room. The Foundation supports construction to further serve the community with expanded library programs and events, along with increased opportunities for additional public meeting space. The Foundation continues to raise funds to for technology, furniture, and extras for the second-floor meeting facility. Construction is slated to begin late fall 2023. To date, over \$450,000 has been raised towards their \$500,000 goal.

Campaign Mission:

The building of a second floor, state-of-the-art community room will provide additional resources to learn and grow, connecting our community. The Foundation supports and recommends the construction to allow the library to further serve its members with expanded library programs and events, along with increased opportunities for additional meetings to benefit the community's educational, social, and business needs.

Membership:

Memberships, both corporate and individual, support activities to support educational and charitable goals for the Foundation. More information on membership levels can be found on the Foundation website, www.SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org

Funds:

INCOME	EXPENSES
Restricted donations & Capital Campaign Fundraising = \$72,843.93	Fundraising Expense = \$13,775.25
Unrestricted donations = \$173.80	SH Chamber Dues = \$175.00
Investment Gains = \$7,058.42	Bank/Credit Card Fees = \$81.98
	Insurance = \$1,303.90
	Office/Professional = \$1,541.25
	Investment Fees = \$784.40
Gross Income = \$80,076.15	Gross Expense = \$17,661.78
NET INCOME = \$62,414.37	

WHY CHOOSE THE SAFETY HARBOR PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION?

The library is a vital link in our community, providing a cultural, educational, and economic value to Safety Harbor and residents of Pinellas County. Many visit our library from other areas and remark what a wonderful facility it is, residents from other cities call the Safety Harbor Library their “home” library, while others stated the library influenced their decision to move to Safety Harbor. The Foundation believes the library is the cornerstone of the community, offering cultural and educational programs, classes, technology, e-resources, and a variety of materials for all ages.

In a continued economic and financially challenging environment, our library serves an important role. Increases in usage, programs, and attendance, along with the visitors to the library reflect the value and importance of this community asset.

Please continue to support the library and Foundation as we strive to provide culture, community, and connection.

FOUNDATION STAFF/VOLUNTEERS:

The Foundation employs no staff. All work is performed by volunteers.

BOARD:

A complete listing of board members can be found on the Foundation website:

www.SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org

Leadership:

President: Debbie White

Vice President: Marie Padavich

Treasurer: Denise N. Murphy

Secretary: Cara Nobles

