## **The Magic Library Letter!**

Every year the Murrysville Community Library Foundation runs a regular mail-in campaign for annual contributions to the Foundation from generous individual donors. These contributions support the Murrysville Community Library to fund the operating budget's special needs such as children's programming. Donations raised during this time go to augmenting funding that comes primarily from the Municipality of Murrysville, the PA Office of Commonwealth Libraries, and the Office of the Westmoreland County Commissioners. All these incomes are essential to responsibly work within a balanced budget, and we are responsible.

The Foundation's Board of Directors approves the letter that is sent out to families in the library's service area, which includes Export and Washington Township as well. The present article is meant to alert you to its very recent mailing if you already are on the distribution list. If you are not on the distribution list yet, this is your opportunity to read the body of the letter's text below, and to join other families in the community who are so supportive.

As the school year winds down and families gear up for their summer plans, your friends at the Murrysville Community Library know how important it is to keep the momentum of an engaged mind going. From babies to high school seniors, the youngest community members of Murrysville, Export, and Washington Township (and their parents and guardians) can count on the Murrysville Community Library's annual Summer Reading Program to deliver fun, enriching events and activities for everyone. Inspired by this year's theme, "Tail and Tales," our librarians and staff can't wait to share the rewarding reading challenges, fun, outdoor events, and fresh online activities they have planned.

The support of our youngest community members doesn't stop when the summer reading program ends. Year-round, the Murrysville Community Library librarians and staff provide support and access to the best information available via print and online resources, engage learners of all ages through dynamic and informed programming, and cultivate the magic of discovery that leads to a lifelong love of learning.

This is where you come in. Because you understand the magic of your library card and the worlds of ideas, inventions, and imagination it opens. But the magic can only happen when the Library has strong financial support. The purpose of the Murrysville Community Library Foundation is to raise money to directly support the continued enhancement of the Murrysville Community Library, for current and future patrons. Together, with the librarians and staff at *our* Library, we will perpetuate the magic of equal access to life-long learning for all.

Please consider donating what you can to the Murrysville Community Library Foundation. All amounts help keep the magic of literacy alive now and for many generations to come.

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Please make your check out to Murrysville Community Library Foundation at 4130 Sardis Road, Murrysville, PA 15668. You can also donate online by going to <a href="https://www.murrysvillelibrary.org/foundation/">https://www.murrysvillelibrary.org/foundation/</a>.

## "A library outranks any one thing a community can do to benefit its people." - Andrew Carnegie

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