

## Correspondence Recognizing Staff | May 2021



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Thu 4/29/2021 3:34 PM



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To All,

Good news from Congressman Delgado's office--he has agreed to cosponsor H.R. 1581, the Build America's Libraries Act. Thank you to Rebekkah for arranging for the Congressman to join us at our meeting and thank you to Annalee for joining us to make the clear case for why he would want to sign on to this legislation!

Regards,

Margie

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## Thank You Note for the Staff at MidHudson



New Lebanon Library <leb@taconic.net>

To Rebekkah Smith Aldrich

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Fri 4/9/2021 11:28 AM

Good Morning,

I may not have met all of you in person, but have connected with you somehow via phone calls or email. Please allow me to express my sincerest thanks for all the work that you have done, are still doing and will (undoubtedly) continue to do.

When I first arrived as a library director, I was very much floundering. Thanks to you I had been able to perform my job at an even higher standard than I expected. The Mid-Hudson Library System is well-oiled machine and—as the director of a smaller, rural library—because of you, we are able to provide our community with the very best of services. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for everything!

Thank you for being accessible, approachable, supportive, informative, personable, efficient and awesome! It was a pleasure getting to meet, know and work with all of you. I wish you the very best in all your future aspirations.

Sincerely,

*Moriah Sears*

New Lebanon Library Director

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Currently Reading: *Leviathan Wakes* by James A. Corey



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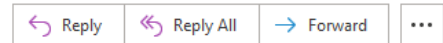
Re: Status of Members Capital Fund Earmark for FY2020-2021



Julie Kelsall-Dempsey <jkelsall@highlandlibrary.org>

To: Margie Menard

Cc: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich



Tue 3/30/2021 4:32 PM

Wonderful news! I wholeheartedly agree with Margie. I have spoken with directors from other systems throughout the pandemic. The level of support we received from you, Casey, Laurie etc was way beyond anything many of them were getting from their systems. Thank you for guiding us through and helping keep us sane.

Julie Kelsall-Dempsey  
Library Director

*"Reading is the key that opens doors to many good things in life." RBG*

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Re: Status of Members Capital Fund Earmark for FY2020-2021



Margie Menard <mmenard@kingstonlibrary.org>

To: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich; J Kelsall



Tue 3/30/2021 4:00 PM

That's fantastic! I've said it before but I'll repeat--I can't imagine anyone else doing as good a job as you've done leading the system through all of this. I'm so impressed and grateful for YOUR leadership over the last year.

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Patricia Placona <patplacona@gmail.com>

Fri 3/19/2021 12:20 PM

To: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich



As always -- "nobody does it better". Thank you for an informative, thorough and concise presentation. Although serious and sober, your message is always positive, upbeat and encouraging. Thank you, Rebekkah -- we're going to give it our best effort.

Have a good weekend.

Pat

PATRICIA PLACONA



Carol Donick <cdonick@kentlibrary.org>

Thu 3/18/2021 2:51 PM

To: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich



Dear Rebekkah,

Eight employees of the Kent Library were vaccinated against COVID-19 today. You worked hard to make library workers eligible for vaccines, and I am so grateful. Somehow, Putnam County made it possible for library employees to be vaccinated just one day after New York rules made them eligible for the vaccine. They came back to the library full of praise for how well the vaccination effort was organized, how quickly they were moved through, and how pleasant the entire experience was. Who would have thought a year ago that people would be full of enthusiasm about how wonderful it was to get a shot!

Thank you so much for helping to make this possible.

Sincerely,

Carol

Carol Donick, Director, Kent Public Library



**Town of Ulster Director**

Tue 3/16/2021 2:31 PM

To: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich

Dear Rebekkah,

Thank you for taking the time to introduce me to the various functions of the MHLS, it is comforting to have so much support.

Thanks too for the policy rundown, very helpful.

With best regards,

Mary

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