



**BEAMAN MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FRIENDS OF
THE LIBRARY BOARD SURVEY 2020**

TOTAL RESPONSES = 10

Completed 10 || Completion Rate 100%

Q1: Please share three words that describe your job.



Q2: Please share up to three (3) ideas for how the Library could improve its space (interior and/or exterior). Please be specific. (Page 1 of 2)

- **INCREASE/IMPROVE PARKING AND PARKING LOT (x8)**

- Add Parking (x5)
- Offer Short Term Parking Spots (e.g., 10 minutes max.)
- *“Safer pedestrian access near car traffic and parked cars”*
- *“Convenient, easily accessible, and sufficient parking”*

- **IMPROVE GROUNDS/LANDSCAPING (x2)**

- *“Continue to improve landscaping”*
- *“Keep the exterior lawn/plantings looking good. Currently, shabby.”*

- **MISC. IDEAS**

- *“Promote use of ramp and automatic door”*
 - *“Updated furniture - more comfortable”*
 - *“Small meeting rooms for public use”*
 - *“Create more workspaces”*
 - *“Add a canopy of sorts on the front lawn in the summer, with chairs?”*
 - *“Remove lead paint from interior and exterior”*
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Q2: Please share up to three (3) ideas for how the Library could improve its space (interior and/or exterior). Please be specific. (Page 2 of 2)

- **MISC. FEEDBACK**

- *“Interior/Exterior sign boards. They are informative and look good!”*
- *“I like the current use of space”*

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Q3: Please share up to five (5) ideas for new Library programs, materials, resources, or services that you believe the community would find valuable/interesting. (page 1 of 3)

- **NEW ADULT PROGRAMMING IDEAS (x11)**

- History-Related Programs (x2)
- Offer Coffee Hours (x2)
 - *“Coffee on the patio, sat a.m., hosted by the trustees/friends”*
 - *“Offering a coffee hour for folks to meet in an informal setting”*
- Library Tours/Open House (x2)
- “Cooking demos”
- “Series of astronomy pgms in the spring/fall (e.g., “The Night Sky”)”
- *“Evening book discussions”*

- **NEW GENERAL PROGRAMMING IDEAS – NOT AGE-SPECIFIC (x8)**

- Guest Speakers (x3) (e.g., *“Programs about local people”*)
- *“Book groups”*
- *“Nature programming”*
- *“Programs where I learn something new”*
- *“Pairing seniors with kids or teens to share experiences, hobbies, interests”*
- *“Bringing people together who share a hobby, passion, challenge or just for companionship”*

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- **EXPAND SERVICES OFFERED (x5)**

- *“Delivering materials to those who cannot get to the library”*
- *“Helping people of all ages with reinventing themselves at major life changes - career, retirement, loss of spouse, new parents, teen issues”*
- *“Info about veterans in our area”*
- *“Personal library assistant (or library valet)”*
- *“Welcome to town service - pair an established resident with a newcomer to offer information and support”*

- **OFFER MORE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES/SERVICES (x4)**

- *“Access to grants databases”*
- *“Continue improving technology for public use”*
- *“Technology available for borrowing”*
- *“Replace books with technology”*

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- **ENHANCE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS (x3)**

- *“Add a teen volunteer group”*
- *“Remove fines”*
- Offer *“Sunday hours - library open or curbside”*

- **MISC. COMMENTS/IDEAS**

- Marketing (x2)
 - *“Host a podcast?”*
 - *“Rename the library kick-off, post covid”*
- *“Add more books”*

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Q4: Feel free to share any additional feedback or suggestions you have for the Library and how it can better serve the community over the next five years.

- **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS IDEAS (x3)**

- *“Increase volunteers”*
- *“Increase funding”*
- *“Increase patrons”*

- **FACILITY PARKING IDEAS (x2)**

- *“The need for safe and sufficient parking is huge for the library's future - all the desires for growth depend, in part, on addressing that issue.”*
- *“Find parking - buy out the Odd Fellows”*

- **ADDITIONAL FEEDBACK**

“The staff work tirelessly to serve the community. They always welcome suggestions for programs, materials, resources and services.”

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