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Dear Friends,

Greetings from your friends at the Belfast Free Library!

As seems to always be the case, our library is a busy place. Overall usage of the library continues to increase, circulation is steady, programs are well attended, and people are signing up for new library cards all the time. The word is out: our library is the place to be!

And so it is with enthusiasm that we ask you to join your neighbors in support of this important and well-valued local resource. A large part of our annual budget is dependent on donations from the citizens of (and lovers of) the Greater Belfast Area, and, as you decide amongst worthy causes to support this year, we ask that you consider the Library.

One of our goals this year is to improve our Teen Area. While we do have a dedicated space for “young adults”, this space is underutilized and doesn’t seem to properly serve the needs of this transitional group of library patrons. Teens don’t really fit in either the Children’s Area or the Adult Area—they really need a space of their own, where they can talk, do homework, access technology, spread out, and just relax in a safe and fairly quiet place. Wouldn’t it be great to provide them with such a space?

Lucky for us, we have a supportive community of donors who, in addition to caring for the library in general, also care about the development of soon-to-be adults. Won’t you please join us by lending your support to the library this year?

Let’s maintain our standing as one of the busiest and most vibrant libraries in Maine.

Yours truly,

Jane Cady, President  
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