



Friends & Foundation *of the* Rochester Public Library

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Dear Library Supporter,

As a library supporter, you know that libraries must constantly evolve to provide necessary services, resources, and knowledge to the community. **Thank you for providing crucial support to the Friends & Foundation of RPL to make this happen.**



*Will you give today to help
break down educational
barriers in our community?*

When Rochester Public Library heard that some members of the northwest community were having trouble getting to the library, an old solution was reborn using modern technology. A new hybrid model combines both traditional onsite and mobile library services provided by the current Lyell Branch staff.

The earliest mobile library, a horse-drawn book-wagon, began in 1904, displaying 200 books. 30 years later trucks and buses began their 80-year transportation of the Monroe County Traveling Library carrying 1,000 books. Today, RPL's van-size mobile library, RPL GO!, doesn't just have books. It has pop-up programming, portable Wi-Fi, and hardware for printing, scanning and faxing. **This model is designed with inclusivity at its core, ensuring that people of all ages and backgrounds can benefit from library services—regardless of their location or circumstances.**

With RPL GO! available, the opportunities to expand services grow daily! It travels to childcare centers and schools, senior living communities, organizations serving at-risk populations, parks, and community events. Your support gives us the flexibility to meet the unique needs of Rochester's diverse population, breaking barriers to access and helping to close the educational gaps in our community.

Will you make a gift today to help programs like RPL GO! move forward and reach more members of our community who need it most?

"The RPL Go! Mobile Library is about bringing the library directly to the people. From older adults to our youngest learners, the mobile library is about accessibility and ensuring all members of our community have access to the incredible services the Rochester Public Library has to offer," said Senator Jeremy Cooney.

We are proud to be part of a community that values knowledge, inclusivity, and progress. **But our work doesn't end here.**

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With your support, the Rochester Public Library can expand its services to address children's literacy, digital equity and general knowledge to meet the ever-changing needs of our neighborhoods. Together, we can ensure that this vital community resource remains accessible, relevant, and impactful for years to come.

Please consider donating today so that we can continue our support of the Rochester Public Library's mission.

Thank you sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sally Millick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sally" and last name "Millick" clearly distinguishable.

Sally Millick, Board President
Friends & Foundation of the Rochester Public Library

P.S. There are many ways to give; visit our website www.ffrpl.org for various options and for a link to the RPL GO! webpage.