

Community Services FY 21 Third Quarter Report

Library

Although the library remained closed to the public during this quarter, our 'curbside circulation' and e-materials borrowing continued to increase each month. We partnered with TCTV to create new Story Time videos. The library's FY 22 budget was presented to the Select Board and Advisory Committee. All of the materials for the seed library (dozens of donated seed packets and former card catalog drawers) were turned over to a young volunteer, whose Girl Scout Troop offered to organize and beautify. This will be made available in April. The library furnace was replaced and the roof replacement and related construction projects were completed. Preparation began on the 2021 Farmers' Market, a 'Welcome to Templeton' packet for new residents, and a library e-newsletter.

Senior Services

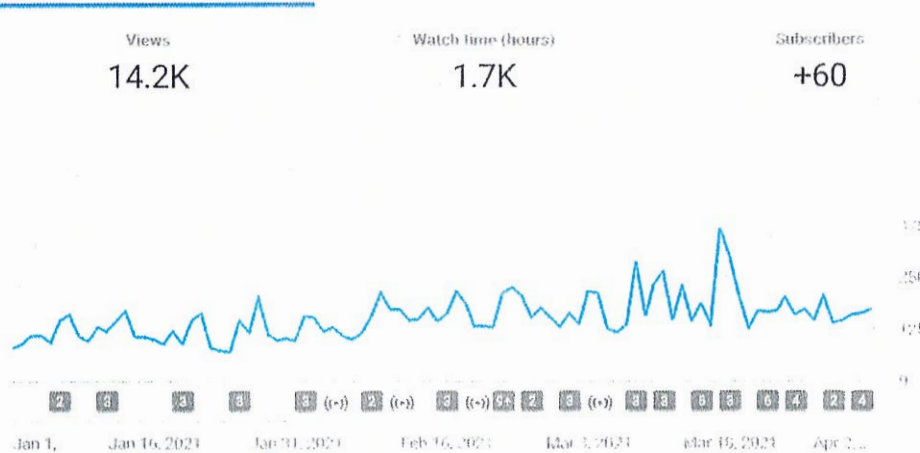
Despite being closed to the public this quarter, many programs and initiatives were offered to connect with seniors in the community. These included: weekly grab & go projects, 'cheersquad' phone call check-in, Ask-a-Nurse, blood pressure clinics, walking club and SHINE phone appointments. Monthly take-out lunches were distributed. A Senior Hour was debuted on TCTV. The monthly newsletter "Senior Buzz" was mailed out and made available online. Transportation and Meals on Wheels continued, uninterrupted throughout this quarter. The Senior Services FY 22 budget was presented to the Select Board and Advisory Committee. A grant from the MCOA was awarded to the Center to provide respite to at-home caregivers. The Center provided lots of guidance for obtaining the COVID-19 vaccine. The Council on Aging Board welcomed 3 new members, and met to approve their bylaws and create a mission statement.

Veteran's Services

1. Re-Certified Ch115.
2. Handed the food giveaway over to the Legion to continue mission.
3. In discussions with Building Bridges to start the Veteran Luncheons again.
4. Placed Templeton area on list of possible veteran COVID-19 vaccination site for Veterans Health Administration.
5. Purchased portable scanner to be 100% mobile for claims and processing CH115.
6. Ordered and received Cemetery flags for Memorial Day.

Top TCTV YouTube Videos

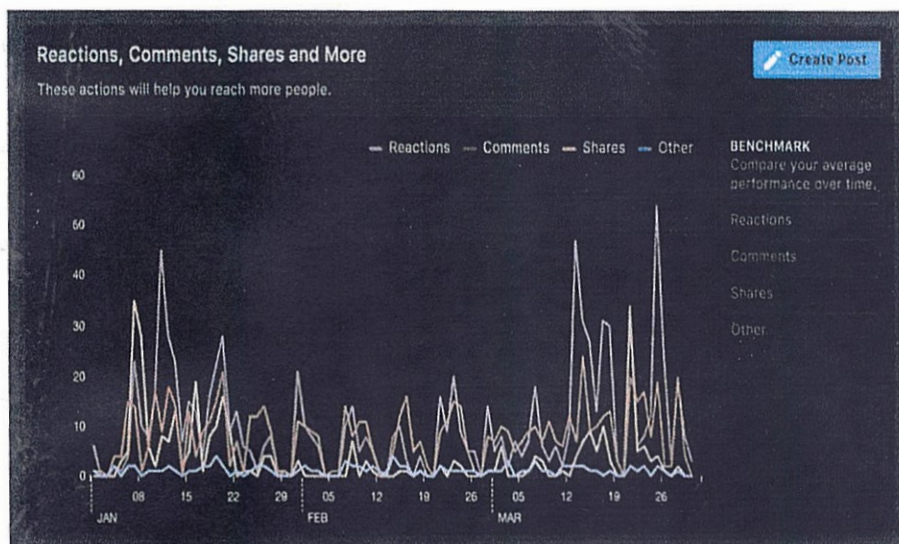
Tonka Toys | Inside PD | School Committee | Songbirds | Collector Time videos



Projects/Initiatives FY21 Q3

Public program production
Sponsorships
Hybrid meeting research
Web site plans
Workforce Development
Streaming & other training

TCTV Facebook posts reached **43,650/14.5K month**
+ 26% gain over last quarter



Year of COVID 3/16/2020 to 3/16/2021

153 meetings live-streamed
98.5% success rate
230 total meeting hours
1.5 hours/meeting average
Pre/Post meeting work
+ 1.5 hours each

Recreation

Nothing reported

Cultural Council

Nothing reported

Templeton Cultural Council

The TCC met twice in this quarter to discuss and award this year's Mass Cultural 2021 grants. The State of Massachusetts budget award for Templeton Cultural Council was delayed and the council did not receive conformation on allotment until mid-January. Budget total for 2021 received \$ 7,300.00

We as a council met 2 times, once to discuss grant applications and once to award grants. The TCC was able to combine 2020's un-used State grant funds from cancelled events, to this year's allotted 2021 State grant funds. A total of 24 applicants requested help with projects and all have been award grants. These grant approvals were greatly needed and appreciated relief for our local arts and entertainment community

As of February 3, 2021 grants that have been paid out:

- 1. Winchendon Winds – Encumbered funds 2020 \$200. 22**
- 2. Templeton Senior Center – Mom's WW2 Letters - Encumbered funds 2020
\$ 300.00**

Due to the continuing issue of Covid-19 health crisis our community has been enduring, events or projects have not taken place in this quarter, January – March. Hopefully, the next few months will be a more eventful as vaccinations increase and restrictions lessen.