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Dear Library Supporter,

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Thank **YOU** for your *continued support* of the Scranton Library!

Thanks to YOUR donation last year, fundraising income for the operating budget was \$108,078, and the library offered a full range of opportunities to our community ABSOLUTELY FREE. With over 43,600 library visits and 6,600 program attendees this past year, the library is where our community continues to gather. Here are five reasons why donating to your library is an extraordinary investment:

1. **Professional Service** -the Internet gives you 100 answers, Librarians give you the right one.
2. **Public Space** - the Library offers a variety of spaces, for a variety of uses.
3. **Community Engagement and Social Connections** - libraries are the antidote to a world suffering from digital isolation.
4. **Long-Term Financial Rewards** - targeted early-reading initiatives build a strong foundation for lifelong learning.
5. **Spurs Economic Investment** - free resources and work space for job seekers, entrepreneurs, and telecommuters.

Last year, community donations were approximately 10 percent of the library's operating needs. This year, as the Library plans for the grand re-opening, operating needs are on the rise. To ensure that the library will continue to offer the wealth of programs and services that we all benefit from, the library needs your help. Here's what you can do:

- ✓ Send your donation in the envelope provided.
- ✓ Donate online at [scrantonlibrary.org/support-your-library](http://scrantonlibrary.org/support-your-library) and make monthly payments.
- ✓ Join the Mary Eliza Scranton Leadership Society with a gift of \$100 or more.
- ✓ Attend the *Before Party* fundraiser on April 18, 2020 for a sneak peak of the new library.
- ✓ Spread the word on social media and tell your friends and neighbors why you invest in the Scranton Library.

The Scranton Library is committed to providing you with the best possible library services and we invite you to stop by and learn more about our mission and plans for the future.

Together, we are eager to keep growing and help all visitors to the Library succeed in reaching their goals and dreams. Your gift today will ensure that the Scranton Library keeps pace with the needs of our community, now and into the future.

With sincerest gratitude,

Nicole Wiles  
President, Board of Trustees