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Dear Library Supporter,

As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, we want to thank our loyal supporters who have been so generous with their time, kind words and financial contributions to the library this year. With your support, the library has been able to reopen with safety protocols in a renovated main room filled with an updated collection of print materials, technology, and offering a variety of engaging programs for all ages.

In July, the library took advantage of an opportunity to apply for a NYS library construction grant to help us realize some important goals to meet the needs of our community. Our goals:

- **Reduce our reliance on fossil fuels**  
Replace older, inefficient oil fueled furnace and air conditioning system with an eco-friendly, high efficiency heat pump.
- **Provide safe spaces for community programs and meetings**  
A screened 14x20' gazebo will provide a safe outdoor space for programming and general patron use. The gazebo will have lighting, electricity and Wi-Fi available. A storage shed will offer convenient storage for large items such as tables and chairs, as well as used books for Friends' book adoption days.
- **Make the library a resource during power outages**  
The increasing frequency of severe weather events and the resulting loss of power has forced the library to close for days at a time. A back-up generator will provide a warm/cool place to go to charge phones, plug in computers and access the internet.

The cost of meeting these three projects will total approximately \$75,000. The construction grant is expected to contribute 30% of the cost, leaving us with a \$50,000 fundraising goal. Please join our efforts to make our library greener and offer more community gathering spaces. Donations of any amount are appreciated and valued.

Wishing you all a healthy and Happy Thanksgiving,

Friends of the Rosendale Library

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Friends of Rosendale Library, PO Box 73, Rosendale, NY 12472.

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