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Dear Friend of the Downingtown Library,

As we kick-off our July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019 membership drive, it is exciting to see how busy and bustling the Downingtown Library continues to be – almost every square inch of our beautiful building is in constant use with programs that clearly appeal to virtually every segment of the community, with children and adults of all ages and backgrounds coming together while reading, learning, creating, teaching, connecting and – most importantly - having fun.

Much of this activity is possible because of the support of the Friends of the Downingtown Library, whose fundraising helps pay for the programming, the purchase of materials and operational expenses. In 2017, we donated \$13,000 to the library through our semi-annual book sales and other on-going fundraisers. This past spring, we had our most successful book sale ever (over \$8,000 and counting!), and we will soon be organizing and soliciting donations of books and digital material for the Fall Book Sale that will be held on October 5-7.

Please consider renewing your friends' membership today. Your membership brings actual benefits: In addition to book sale coupons, and the opportunity to plan events and meet like-minded people, book sale volunteers get "early selection" privileges, as well as the chance to have a most enjoyable experience during the sales. And, of course, membership brings the satisfaction of knowing you are helping the Downingtown Library contribute to your community. You are welcome to join us for our monthly meetings, generally held on the first Friday of each month, at the library.

For your convenience, we have enclosed a membership form and self-addressed envelope. Checks can be made payable to the "Friends of the Downingtown Library." Or, you can renew your membership online at <http://downingtownlibrary.org/friends/> If you have questions or would like to become more involved in the Friends' activities, please feel free to e-mail Marcy Chestnut at mjc570@hotmail.com

Thank you for being a Friend of the Downingtown Library!