



## 2022 Library Visit Interview Form

**Library Name:** Stoughton Public Library

**Certification Grade:** 1

**Date of visit:** October 19, 2022

**Library staff present at the visit:** James Ramsey

**SCLS staff present:** Brian Hahn

**Amount of time spent at visit:** 45 minutes

**Please limit this section to the answers to the specific questions, and include as much detail as possible. Report other information or observations in the “other information” section below.**

1. How are you and your staff doing?

They are doing well and very busy because they are leanly staffed

2. What are the next projects (big or small) on your library’s to-do list?

- They are refurbishing their children’s space to give it a face lift. It will have a woodlands theme and they are getting some murals painted. The last time that area was updated was in 2008.
- They are getting new shelves on Monday, October 24, 2022
- They will be working on an outdoor programming project, using the outdoor wireless access point that they got with help from SCLS
- They will be revising their strategic plan

3. Are there service changes or new services from the last two years that you plan on continuing?

- They will continue to do virtual and hybrid programs and meetings, using the camera and microphone array that they got using grant money
- They will continue to use their subscription to Library Speakers Consortium, which does virtual author events. Their patrons love this.

4. How can SCLS help?

Continue to offer tech support, support from Deb Haeffner, whose help is invaluable, and Jean Anderson’s continuing education, which they love.

5. Is there anything else you'd like to share or discuss?

- Jim asked that next year's annual library visit be done in September as he is very busy in October doing budget work. (He was so busy in 2022 that he missed two of the times we had scheduled to meet.)
- Deb Haeffner has been a really, big help to them
- They've had no staff turnover lately, but they are still under-staffed
- Jim was sad to have to give up his Gmail account
- They use LibraryAware to send out information to 4000 – 5000 of their patrons
- Jim is behind on his director continuing education and will have to talk to Jean
- They hope to change their open hours in 2023

**Other information gathered at the visit (interesting tidbits, general impressions of the library, or alternative topics):**