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Mr. Ron Carinci, TPL Board Chair

I am writing to inform you of the highly successful year the Friends of Toronto Public Library had in 2015, resulting in our donation of \$165,000. to the TPL Foundation.

Friends of TPL was created in 1990 with the sole purpose of raising funds to support the services and collections of TPL. We were incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1996, and since that date have raised over \$1M for the library.

Two Chapters, North and South, each operate book stores on Library property selling donated and withdrawn material from TPL, and are staffed entirely by volunteers. Our combined membership volunteered over 8,000 hours in 2015.

In keeping with the City Librarian's Report which states "Expanding access to after school, literary and cultural programs is a Strategic Focus for the Library", Friends has asked the Foundation to direct our 2015 donation to be given to the Leading to Reading and Children's Literacy Programs.

We will continue in our efforts to support a library system of which we are very proud.

Sincerely,

Linda Diener

President, Friends of TPL