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# Children's Wonderbooks collection grows at Port Colborne library with Lions donation

Eighteen new Wonderbooks, a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside, are expected to be signed out quickly.

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Harper Jolicoeur, 3, reads one of the new Wonderbooks at Port Colborne Public Library. A donation from Port Colborne Lions Club helped the library buy 18 of the books.

By Welland Tribune staff

[Port Colborne Public Library](#) has doubled its collection of state-of-the-art children's books thanks to [Port Colborne Lions Club](#).

A \$1,000 donation from the service club allowed the library to buy 18 [Wonderbooks](#), a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside, said a release from the city.

The recent donation matched one made last year that permitted the library to buy 18 Wonderbooks.

“The collection was so popular this past year, that we actually did not have an official shelf spot for them, because the books were almost always checked out,” said library chief executive officer Rachel Tkachuk.

She said the books are powerful tools that engage young readers and enhance literacy skills, helping to build a strong foundation for lifelong learning.

The release said along with reading and listening to the books, children can also switch to “learning mode” for additional literacy activities.

Lions secretary David Borbely said the donation was part of ongoing initiatives to help the people of Port Colborne.

“We like to donate to the library because we are here to serve the community, and we feel the library is a good way to serve, both young and old, which gives us good bang for our buck.”

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