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Dear Friend,

With your support, the Friends of the Edgartown Free Public Library raise funds to bring programs to the Library that enrich our entire community.

The Friends continue to support a wide variety of children's programs, including the annual Summer Reading Program that this year served over 300 children, and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, a collaborative program that provides free books each month to registered children from birth until age five.

This past spring, the library welcomed new Programs Coordinator Emily Becker. Over the past six months, Emily has offered over 100 programs with more than 2,500 people attending both in-person and on-line events. Emily has brought in musicians, authors, fishermen, artists, filmmakers, scientists, environmentalists and health professionals to help us connect with our natural world, ourselves, and each other.

Emily writes, "It has been a joy to come back to the community I grew up in and be able to create meaningful programming that engages, inspires and educates our library patrons. Some of my favorite moments so far have been seeing people shuck oysters for the first time at our Salt Water Wednesdays program, and organizing the Disability Pride Party in July, which fostered new collaborations with island non-profits and drew new community members to the library."

Please help us meet our goal of \$15,000. Every dollar goes directly to free public programs that enrich the lives of Edgartown residents and the broader Island community. You can donate online at edgartownlibrary.org/friends/welcome, scan the QR Code below, or send a check in the enclosed envelope.

We thank you for your generosity.

Gratefully,



David Ignacio,
President, Friends of the Edgartown Free Public Library



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