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## Consider a seasonal gift to your local library | READER COMMENTARY



Bel Air residents Myles St. Hilaire, 5, left, and his 3-year-old sister Amira are greeted by bounty hunter characters from The Mandalorian series during Harford County Public Library's Fandom Fest, held at the Abingdon Branch in September. (Brian Krista/staff photo)

As the year winds down and those of you able to contribute to your favorite nonprofits, ponder a donation to your favorite library system (["Howard County Council discusses next steps for new Columbia central library branch,"](#) Nov. 14). Libraries are not just books, they are chock full of information, enjoyable pastimes and contain a vast array of interests.

Did you know you can learn how to play a musical instrument, search for a job, research genealogy, learn to sew, meet a favorite author and attend all types of classes with your young child? That's just a sampling of what's behind those entrance doors and these offerings are free to the public!

Please consider a contribution. The spirit of philanthropy is contagious and begins with each of us to create better communities. Happy holidays to all!

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