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BIOGRAPHY

I am an Elected Trustee for the Moffat Library and I am running for re-election.

My volunteer experience dates back to 1975 when I moved to the area and volunteered at a summer camp recreation program at Smith Clove Park in Monroe, New York. I lived in Monroe for five years before moving to Washingtonville. I have resided in Washingtonville for 39 years.

I was selected to work for a new summer toddler's program in Blooming Grove where I worked part-time during the summer while raising five children. I am married and have three sons and two daughters. While raising my family, I volunteered with 4-H, a non-profit organization which focuses on working with the youth to help them reach their full potential. I also am a member of St. Mary's parish in Washingtonville and taught in the Religious Education Program for many years.

As my children grew, I decided to return to school part-time and graduated from Orange County Community College. I worked part-time as a substitute, covering clerical and administrative tasks in the Washingtonville Middle School and High School. I worked in the Library and the Guidance Department. In addition, I was a substitute teacher at St. Francis/Sacred Heart Elementary School in Newburgh, St. Joseph's Elementary School in New Windsor, Tuxedo Park School and George F. Baker High School, Tuxedo, NY.

Full time employment included ten years with Ferrigno Financial in Washingtonville. While working at Ferrigno Financial, I attended Marist College and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. I left Ferrigno Financial and took a position at Ramapo College of New Jersey in an administrative capacity.

I am now spending time with my family and continue to do volunteer work serving as a Trustee for the Moffat Library and assisting the Friends of the Moffat Library in fundraising events. Other charities I support include Boys Town of America, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Country Food Pantry, Covenant House, DAV, Make a Wish Foundation, Saint Labre and Saint Joseph's Indian School, Saint Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Paralyzed Veterans of America and Toys for Tots.

My time working as a volunteer has brought many rewards. I have seen the expansion of the Moffat Library and was involved in the Restore, Renew and Reimagine campaign. The Moffat Library has attracted many more patrons and new programs were added for the benefit of our community. It has been my pleasure to serve as an Elected Trustee. If I am elected again, I will continue to do my best to serve the community.

Sincerely,


Victoria Drake