

Alice Joselow – Ossining Public Library Trustee – Candidate Profile



Alice Joselow is a wife, mom of three and a community advocate. She has lived with her family in Ossining for 30 years. She currently works for the Open Door Family Medical Center where she coordinates and chairs a federally funded (SAMHSA grant) coalition called Ossining Communities That Care which is focused on reducing teen substance abuse and the promotion of positive youth development in Ossining. She also works as the Community Programs Coordinator in the Behavioral Health Department at the Open Door.

Over the past 20 years, Alice has served as:

- Trustee, Ossining Public Library 2012-present
- Trustee, Ossining School Board 1999-2011
- Works at Open Door Family Medical Center, Inc
 - Community Programs Coordinator & Coordinator Ossining Communities That Care
- Founding Member of Ossining MATTERS Educational Foundation
- Ossining Food Pantry Vice President 1999-2007
- PTA Council President 1997-1999

Through my involvement in Ossining over the past 20 years, I have partnered with many community organizations. The Library is at the heart of our community as it serves everyone from babies to our most senior residents. I was elected to the Ossining Public Library (OPL) board in 2012. Over the past 9 years, I served as the OPL Board of Trustees President for three years and I am currently serving on the OPL Board as the Vice President. Over the years I have worked hard on the OPL board to bring in fiscally responsible budgets, support our outstanding staff, build strong collaborations across the community, assist in the writing of several successful grants, as well as to search and hire a new Director.

The Covid-19 crisis has challenged us as an organization to adapt to providing services remotely. Our staff all worked together to create many new programs that have demonstrated that the OPL can have an effective remote presence as well as being in person. We are currently in the process of created a new Long-Range-Plan (LRP) with a focus on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) and I am eager to stay on the board as the new LRP is developed. I also want to continue working on resolving the infrastructure challenges as well as to continue to build strong community partnerships.

On a family note, her husband is a mechanical engineer, and he loves to kayak. They have three adult children (who all graduated from OHS) and two adorable dogs that run their house. As a family, they love to spend time together on Cape Cod. Alice's guiding principal is the age-old proverb, "It takes a village to raise a child."