Gifts from the Friends to the
Newton Free Library
July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Gifts Given:

- Children’s Room Programs $ 9,000
- Book Cart Sales Reimbursement $ 19,572
- Teen Activities Programs $ 4,000
- Volunteer Appreciation $ 490
- General Gift $ 20,000
- Mailing Newsletter $ 3,000
- Total $ 56,062

Friends Activities in FY2017

- The three Friends book sales during 2016-17 brought in $18,176. 28 volunteers staff the sales which are held on weekends three times during the year. These volunteers contributed approximately 230 hours. In addition, 11 volunteers work every week during the year, accepting donations at the Auburndale location, sorting the materials and pricing them for the sales. These volunteers contributed over 1000 hours during the past year.

- The Friends and the Trustees will honor the many library volunteers with a personalized letter and gift.

- The Friends organized and hosted the 33rd Annual Book and Author Luncheon which featured Joseph Finder (Guilty Minds) and Larry Tye (Bobby Kennedy: The Making of a Liberal Icon) with Louise Kennedy (WBUR) as the moderator. The authors’ books were sold at the event.

- The Friends and Chipotle Restaurant held a fundraiser raising $653 for the Friends.

- The Friends lobby book carts, maintained by a volunteer staff, brought in $20,886 as of June 30, 2017.

- Volunteers staff the Friends lobby gift cart. Pooh note cards and other gifts brought in $390.

- The Friends bags were sold at circulation desks for $2.50 each and brought in $558.

- Members contributed $24,750 in dues, gifts, and matching gifts as of June 30, 2017.

- The Friends mailed the monthly Library newsletter to our membership.