



TOWN OF TRURO

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PRESS RELEASE

The Town of Truro Welcomes Chris Kaufmann, Truro Public Library Director.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 1, 2024 – The Town of Truro is excited to announce that our Library Director selection panel, that included Martha Magane, Shawn Grunwald, Darrin Tangeman, and Kelly Clark have made an offer to Chris Kaufmann to be our next Library Director, and she has accepted.

Chris has served as a Librarian in the Yarmouth, Brewster, and Harwich library systems since 2011. Most recently, Chris has served as the Head of Technical Services and IT Librarian for the Yarmouth Town Libraries. In this role she held fiscal responsibilities, as well as managed all technology for staff and patron use. She has extensive experience performing data and statistical analyses of holdings, circulation, patron usage, and finance to support libraries' policies, and knowledge of computer and database applications. She has worked closely with town departments and committees, and community organizations and friends' groups. She also served as the Assistant Circulation Manager at Brewster Ladies' Library. In this role she oversaw non-regular-print materials; improved all accessibility-related collections, including low-vision materials; and managed interlibrary loans and Commonwealth Catalog requests. Prior to working as a Librarian, Chris worked as a Paralegal with several Chicago and New York-based law firms for approximately ten years.

Currently, she is pursuing a Ph.D. in Library and Information Science from Simmons University, where she is a Teaching Assistant and promotes Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives. Previously, she obtained her Master's Degree in Library and Information Science at Simmons University and her Bachelor of Arts in French and History from the University of Richmond. She has received her Professional Librarian Certification from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and has served as a Chair of the Cape Libraries Automated Materials Sharing (CLAMS) Network since 2015.

Chris' other interests include travel, baseball, and languages, as she is conversant in French and Spanish. Chris will begin working as our new Library Director on November 12, 2024. We will introduce her to the community at the November 12 Select Board meeting and at a Meet and Greet on November 12 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm at the Truro Public Library.

Please contact me should you have any questions and join me in welcoming Chris to our community.

Sincerely,

Darrin K. Tangeman
Town Manager