

The *Library on the Loose* in your Community

Community Engagement & Volunteer Partnership in Action



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Today's Agenda

- Identify Opportunities
- Establish Partnerships
- Make a Plan & Move Forward
- Impact & Success Stories









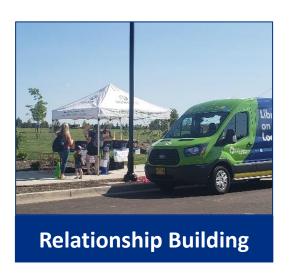


Community Engagement: Reimagined!

Community Engagement and Outreach (CEO) is an integral part of telling your library's story. This work often times introduces the library to individuals for the first time.

In 2020, how did your service delivery model change due to the constraints of the pandemic?

What role does your library play in your community?









Where to begin

Often library staff are a limited resource when comes to CEO. Who will help you elevate your mission and fulfill your project goals?

- What are your **GOALS**?
 Be strategic!
- Who is the targeted AUDIENCE?
- Who needs to be INVOLVED in the planning?
- Is this goal **REALISTIC** and **ACHIEVABLE**?





No room for Silos in Community Engagement

Look to your community and discover their passion and talents.



Do you reach out and ask your community to join you?

Or do you rely on those volunteering themselves?

Why Volunteers are important to CEO?

Advocates
Mission focused
No hidden agendas
Vested in their community
Expand the reach

You may be surprised to learn who always wanted to work behind the scenes. Be careful though, they may just love it!



Library Volunteers – Power in the People



- KNOW your Brand and IDENTIFY a Cause that will unite and inspire volunteers.
- RECRUIT volunteers who are ready to get started.
- Establish and follow guidelines for SAFETY.
- Set SMARTIE Goals to achieve your objective.
- Let Your Volunteers be Leaders!

SPECIFIC
MEASURABLE
AMBITIOUS
REALISTIC
TIME-BOUND
I Inclusive!
E Equitable!









This is what success looked like in 2020





hillsborolibrary We thought we would share some beautiful data related to this year's summer reading program.

This year the Library on the Loose was all over Hillsboro - 28 different sites! They handed out a total of 7,874 craft and Summer Reading Program packets! That broke out into 5,780 SRP packets and 2,094 craft packets during outreach events alone. For comparison, the SRP 2019 provided a total of 6,001 books to patrons.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped prevent the summer slide in our community regardless of a pandemic!

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