

Proposed Community Engagement Form

The Akron-Summit County Public Library strives to be an active member of our community. To do this we must become regular participants in the activities in our communities. We must be “at the table” as organizations strive to attain their goals and fulfill their mission. While there are numerous groups in our community doing work of interest to the Library, staffing levels and other demands on staff time require us to determine the best opportunities for building engaged relationships in our communities.

If you are considering an organization as an opportunity for community engagement, please complete this form. You will need to do some research about the group, its mission and goals, the level of commitment that may be required, and how supporting the organization's goals will be mutually beneficial to the Library. The Library’s Mission, Vision and Core Values Statements are at the end of the form as guidance.

Once the form is complete, including your manager’s approval if applicable, please forward it to the Youth Services Coordinator (for organizations working with youth, their caregivers, and their families), General Manager, Branches (for organizations working primarily with adults in communities served by branches) or Deputy Director (for organizations working primarily with adults in communities served by Main).

Name of staff making request

Date

Branch/Division

Manager approval/signature

Admin approval/signature

Organization name

Address (inc. zip)

Phone

Website -hyperlink

Social Media-hyperlink

Contact person

Address (if different from above)

Phone

Email

Research into the organization

Population served by organization, be as detailed as possible (examples, preschool parents, school-agers, job hunters, teens, college students/staff, school personnel, disabled, homeless, senior citizens, business, non-profits, etc.)

Name target service area of organization (city, neighborhood, region of county, etc)

Services provided by organization

Does this organization already have other collaborative partners? Please list.

Does this organization already work with other ASCPL agencies? If so, which agencies and in what way.

Describe the nature of your initial contacts with this organization/group.

How will engagement with this organization benefit the Library?

Library Mission Statement

The Akron-Summit County Public Library provides resources for learning and leisure, information services, meeting spaces, and programs for all ages that support, improve, and enrich individual, family, and community life.

Library Vision Statement

The Akron-Summit County Public Library is recognized locally as an essential community asset and nationally as one of the finest public libraries in the United States due to its excellent customer service, collaborative community involvement, and high level of customer and employee satisfaction.

Library Core Values

Excellence

- Striving for excellence in all we do

Service

- Providing service that is dynamic, responsive, and respectful of our customers, colleagues, and co-workers

Learning

- Fostering life-long learning and individual enrichment

Integrity

- Operating with the highest level of honesty and respect for staff, community, and library resources

Innovative Thinking

- Encouraging innovative thinking as a means for addressing needs and challenges in order to improve the library

Inclusion

- Working together and listening to customers and staff

Diversity

- Embracing and respecting diversity in our community, collection, services, and staff

Community

- Actively engaging with our community to work towards a shared destiny

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