Library Board

Monday, August 15, 2016 Regular Meeting

Item C3

Approval of Director's Report

The Director's Report typically consists of:

- 1) a statistical usage report from the previous month including checkouts, visitors, program numbers and attendance, computer and database usage, and other statistics
- 2) a monthly GI Llibrary Journal newsletter
- 3) and additional programming and administrative items

Items not present in the agenda packet will be distributed at the meeting.

Staff Contact:

		ONTHLY REPO	•		
* Edith Abbott Memorial Library * Mobile Outreach * Internet Branch www.gilibrary.org					
Days Open to Public	29	293	<u>Library Programming:</u>		
Hours Open to Public	281	2,851	Children's Programs	30	323
			Participants	1,599	13,444
Checkouts - EAML	28,074	235,003	Adult Programs	3	36
Checkouts - Electronic	2,838	24,336	Participants	37	888
Checkouts - Outreach	137	1,265	Young Adult Programs	16	65
Total Checkouts	31,049	260,604	Participants	330	1,358
			Computer Classes	0	6
			Participants	0	41
Average Daily Checkouts	1,071	889	Outreach Programs	0	27
			Participants	0	2,277
			Tours Given	0	6
			Number in Tours	0	406
Reserves Placed	1,181	10,708	Total Programs	49	463
			Total Participants	1,966	18,414
Patrons Registered	206	1,820	<u>Computer Services</u> :		
Total Patrons	needs verification	69,470	Children's Computer User Sessions	1575	13,745
			Hours	525	4,581
			Reference/Lab User Sessions	3063	36,382
Items Deleted	1,517	9,364	Hours	1021	12,127
Total Items in Collection			Teen User Sessions	258	2,461
			Hours	203	4,054
Telephone Calls Received	781	7,919	Wireless User Sessions	47	316
			Hours	1787	19,645
Public Meeting Room Usage	7	165	Total User Sessions	4,943	52,904
			Total Hours	3,536	40,407
			Selected Database Uses		
Patrons Visiting Library	23,784	193,734	Ancestry	9,377	82,880
Outreach Patron Visits	19	178	Chilton	0	66
			Driver's Ed	6	105
Pataranaa Saruaaa			Ebsco Magazine Index Sessions	0	51
Reference Services: Reference Questions Answered	1,074	11,466	FirstSearch Grolier Online	385 1,042	4,145 7,515
Microfilm Use	89	1,580	Hoopla	600	3,297
Interlibrary Loans Received	9	92	Mango	114	1,507
Interlibrary Loans Sent	54	820	Novelist Plus	15	250
Total	1,226	13,958	One Click Digital Audiobooks	17	125
			Overdrive	2,061	19,774
Friends Online Book Clubs			Points of View Reference Center	3	13
Members	0	1,004	Price It Antiques	10	22
Accesses	25412	224,440	Reference USA	10	162
			Salem Health	0	20
			Student Research TumbleBooks for Teens	0 8	39 35
			TumbleBooks for Kids	1	451
			TumbleBooks for Kids Tutor.com	2	244
			Wilson Web	20	212
			Zinio eMagazines	160	1,718
			Zimo civiagazines	100	1,/10
				39,243	244,029



August 2016

GI Library Journal

AND THE WINNER OF THE CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS ...

SHOEMAKER ELEMENTARY

The statistics of the "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" Summer Reading Program at the Grand Island Public Library have been tallied and show that 3,259 children were registered in this summer program.

Winning first place and getting the Edgerton Explorit Center party is Shoemaker Elementary. Principal Lee Wolfe and his students at Shoemaker will proudly get to showcase the traveling summer reading trophy two years in a row; as Shoemaker was the 2015 winner too. Shoemaker had 49 percent of students who read 100 minutes or more throughout the summer months.

The second place winner was Engleman Elementary who had 39



percent of students reading 100 or more minutes this summer. Jane Gloor is the principal at Engleman.

Third place went to Gates Elementary for having 33 percent of students reading 100 minutes or more. Julie Martin serves as the principal of Gates.

Total minutes read by all participants was 1.8 million—that's an average of 575 minutes

read this summer by each child, way to go! So

EVERYONE'S A BIG WINNER in our

book!

More summer reading recap inside



WEEKLY STORY TIMES BEGGINNING SEPT 6

MONDAY, 10 AM

Play & Read Lapsit

Tuesday, 10:30 AM

Rock & Read Baby Lapsit

Tuesday, 7 PM

Family(pajama) Storytime

Wednesday, 10 OR 11 AM

Ready to Read Story Time

Wednesday, 2:30 PM

Bookbop for all ages

Wednesday, 6 PM

Rock & Read Baby Lapsit

Saturday, 11 AM

Rotating series of four programs: Hot Cocoa en la Manana, Paws to Read, Stories and Crafts, I've Got Rhythm



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Monday—Thursday

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Saturday 9 AM—5 PM

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MORE SUMMER READING RECAP

The Teen Summer Reading Program was a huge success with 240 registered and a reading total of 265,505 minutes—that's 1,106 minutes per participant or about 18-1/2 hours each.

The Adult Summer Reading Program was less structured but had many readers and plenty of attendance at special activities. As well as many prizes won.

Speaking of activities and prizes, with the help of the Grand Island Public Library Foundation and a very creative staff.



Thanks to the many businesses

the program a great summer

success. Please call Celine or

5333, if you have questions or

want additional information.

and individuals who helped make

Kathleen at the library, (308) 385-

we made summer	<u>Program</u>	Activities	<u>Attendance</u>
reading even more fun for all ages.	Children's	77	5,804
Reminder: if you haven't picked up	Teens	30	780
your prize, so do	Adults	13	250

NUMBERS CRUNCH FOR JUST A FEW SERVICES

(fiscal year starts in October)	July 2016	Fiscal Year Total
Checkouts	31,049	260,604
Visitors	23,784	193,734
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Total of Selected Measures	103,392	794,351

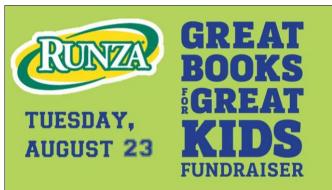
GREAT BOOKS FOR GREAT KIDS RUNZA LIBRARY FUNDRAISER COMING

On Tuesday, Aug. 23, Runza® Restaurants will conduct the 14th annual Great Books for Great Kids Fundraiser. Dine at either Runza in Grand Island at 1812 N. Webb Road or 2004 S. Locust St. on Aug. 23, and Runza will donate 10 percent of sales to the Friends of the Grand Island Public Library to purchase books for children and teens.

"We are thrilled to partner again this year to support literacy and reading in Grand Island and Hall county," said Audrey DeFrank, of the **Grand Island Public Library Foundation and** Friends of the Library.

Runza® Restaurants – famous for the Runza® sandwich with its delicious blend of ground

Runza® Restaurants has been a long time supporter of reading. "Reading is vital to lifelong success and provides an excellent



beef, cabbage, onions, and secret spices baked inside homemade bread: made-to-order hamburgers; and homemade onion rings operates and franchises restaurants in Nebraska, Colorado, Iowa, and Kansas.

opportunity for families to spend time together," stated Becky Perrett, director of marketing for Runza® National. "Donating funds for books and promoting literacy is an important endeavor for children and the community."

For more information about the Grand Island library contact Audrey at 308-385-5333 ext. 112 or go to www.grand-island.com/library. The library can also be found on social media at www.facebook.com/gilibrary or www.twitter.com/GIPlibrary.com.

"GET IN THE GAME READ" ART CONTEST WINNERS

The Grand Island Public Library announces the winners from the 2016 Teen "Get in the Game Read" Art Contest which was sponsored by the Grand Island Public Library Foundation. The contest was for ages 11-18 and this year there were 34 entries.

The results of the contest are:

High School Division:

-First Place: Candra Greenwood from Grand Island Senior High for her colored pencil drawing, "Teen Spirit"



More teen winners on next page



MORE TEEN ART WINNERS!

- -Second Place: Aviana Papazian from Northwest High School for her "Just Maybe" scratch board sketch
- -Third Place: Anne Pham from Grand Island Central Catholic for her colored pencil drawing, "Girl with Glasses"

Middle School Division:

- -First Place: Yahir Delgado from Westridge Middle School for the drawing entry "SSS Goku"
- -Second Place: Caleb Hayes is home schooled created a sculpture "Justice League"
- -Third Place: Ana Alvarado Mendoza from Westridge Middle School created a recycled paper art entry, "Polar Bear"





Photography Division:

-First Place: Claire Kelly from Barr Middle School for her photo "Kendall"

- -Second Place: Alathia Hayes is home schooled and entered a "Knights" photograph
- -Third Place: Olivia Mayhew is home schooled and entered a "Milky Way" photography

Textile Division:

- -First Place: Elizabeth Huggins attends Trinity Lutheran and submitted a crochet entry, "Pink and White Spiral Flower Doily"
 - -Second Place: Olivia Mayhew created a sewing entry, "Wallet"
- -Third Place: Emma Huggins attends Trinity Lutheran and entered an embroidery item, "Hummingbird at a Flower"



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Contact library for future program schedule



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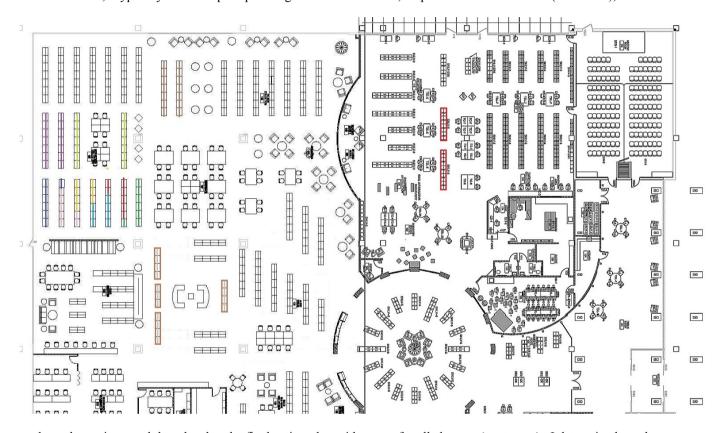
Grand Island Public Library Board C4 - Director's Report Additional Information August 15, 2016 Meeting

1. Shelf Moving Last Week of August

From time to time internal space management requires the moving of shelves throughout the building as patrons' needs change. At this time we are making changes in the adult fiction and nonfiction sections as well as children's section audiovisual shelving.

The adult fiction and nonfiction changes will not result in smaller sections, just moved to allow for future growth in teen services including a possible makerspace (3-D printer and other high-tech creative tools). We have also found that the children's section audiovisual shelving is too high to allow effective staff monitoring of the Discovery Center, and so this higher shelving will be switched out with lower teen/reference shelving. Neither teen or children's shelving will be reduced in numbers, however.

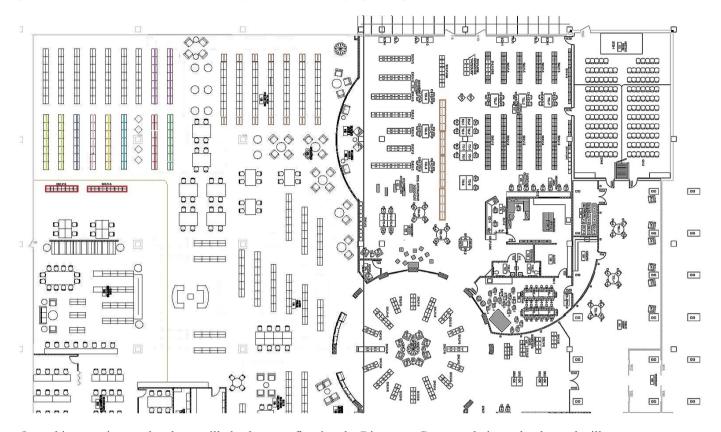
Prior to a move, I typically conduct space planning exercises with staff, map out current conditions (see below),



analyze alternatives, and then develop the final action plan with a map for all changes (next page). I determine how the project will be done, in this case obtaining quotes from library movers and choosing Jones Library Sales. This will be spent out of the library's general fund budget since there is available funding in our Office Furniture and Equipment Maintenance account.

Starting Monday, August 29, Jones will be at our library to conduct the move. They will bring specialized equipment to pick up and relocate heavy shelving ranges with books intact, will disassemble and reassemble shelving, and transfer books, as necessary. This firm is specialized in all eventualities to assure safety and minimize disruption to the public and staff. They are expert at assembling and disassembling shelving, and will be adding sway braces to the fiction shelving ranges that are being lengthened.

This graphic represents the future configuration of shelving and the opening made for future expansion of teen services and makerspace. This will lead to future decisions about the configuration of the teen and open space. For now our plans are to have teen nonfiction and study tables in the newly opened space.



Once this move is completed, we will also be reconfiguring the Discovery Center and picture books, and will create a new Easy Readers section with seating for children and parents. Staff has started discussing possible alternatives and I hope in September to map the needed changes.

2. Makerspace Grant Opportunity with UNL

UNL is applying for a National Science Foundation grant entitled Nebraska Innovation Network. If successful, our library will serve as a Nebraska Innovation Campus Satellite Community Makerspace along with three other public libraries throughout the state. It is an honor to be selected to participate in this grant and we have in front of us a wonderful Grow Grand Island opportunity!

The target audience for this project is middle school to high school age students, fostering awareness and understanding of STEM-related occupations and development of STEM knowledge and skills. However, the Makerspace will be available to and used by entrepreneurs and learners of all ages.

What will make this project successful in our community is not just the grant-funded equipment and supplies (see typical examples to the right), but a shared commitment between our library, the community and UNL.

If funded, the Nebraska Innovation Campus will actively support our community as an innovation connector. Research activities will be coordinated and conducted by University of Nebraska Extension staff. They will develop and document strategies to engage educators, communities, business and industry leaders and students in personally-relevant STEM based learning that leads to the development of knowledge and skills through technology rich experiences. Examples include curriculum development for equipment, professional development workshops, peer collaboration, family interactions, and one-to-one facilitations, local and regional maker events and an annual inventor's

Typical Components of a **Public Library** Makerspace Computers and software 3D scanner 3D printer Laser cutter CNC (computer numerical control) router Vinyl cutter Computer coding Circuit kits **Robotics** High-quality graphics/audio/video Sewing/Embroidery machine Various tools and supplies

competition.

Their staff will also train our staff on equipment use and patron services, and we will provide some assistance in research activities and programming much like we currently do with our Minecraft Coding classes.

This grant also provides us with the University's expertise in building our community's leadership capacity to sustain this makerspace. For this portion of the project, critical to its success, I have asked several organizations to provide me with community leadership and development support. I would need their commitment to work with our public library and a local Extension educator to provide support and assistance to the extent they can help recruit local youth and local mentors/trainers, sustain the maintenance of the makerspace tools and spaces, ensure widespread promotion and community engagement, and be an integral part of evaluating and setting future directions for building a stronger community.

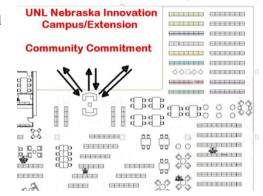
Why a makerspace at our public library?

Our public library along with many others across the nation make a natural fit for a community makerspace. Our mission intertwines a person's discovery and creativity with traditional and high-tech resources and tools, our community center atmosphere and access hours, and our lifetime-of-learning centered approach to services and programs with a distinct maker-culture twist. This mission also provides our community with extensive support for so many educational, cultural, multiculturally diverse, economic/community development, and quality of life initiatives and we are involved as community partners in these enterprises and with Grow Grand Island.

As this diverse community's center for a lifetime of learning and literacy, you can see learning happening throughout our library. Emergent literacy happens through playful learning and community partnerships in our Discovery Center. English language and citizenship literacy happens in our Multicultural Center and Literacy Niche. Family history literacy happens in our Roberta A. Lawrey Heritage Room. Learning through making – for kids, teens and adults - has

been going on at our library for many years. Computer literacy and coding literacy happens in our Computer Lab. And the list goes on. And now we have the opportunity to expand 21st century literacies through this community makerspace with just the right STEM approach for students, entrepreneurs and the general public.

Development of a makerspace in our library is part of our GILIBRARY 2020 long range plan. If this grant is approved, we will be ready, willing and able to participate with you and UNL and hope to have the Community Makerspace in operation by mid-2017. The graphic to the right represents the connection this makerspace would have with teen services, computer services and general library staffing dependent on UNL and community commitments. Their attached letters are the



beginning of the partnership I am developing to assure the success of this makerspace if the grant is awarded.

3. FY 2016-17 Budget Progress

The next City Council budget study session is Tuesday, August 16. I have attached the section containing the proposed budget for the library along with other departments. Also attached is the same section from the July budget study session. I am not aware of any reason the August budget is lower than the July budget, but I will find out prior to our meeting.

- 4. School Year Children's Programming Schedule attached
- 5. Library Partnering in Warrior Writers Project attached
- 6. Other Information to be presented

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August 3, 2016

Dr. Bradley Barker University of Nebraska 4H Extension Lincoln, NE 68583

Dear Dr. Barker,

It is an honor for our library to be selected to participate in your Nebraska Innovation Network grant application to the National Science Foundation.

If this grant proposal is funded, it is our intent to collaborate and commit our organization's resources to work with our community and local Extension educator to provide support and assistance such as:

- Providing dedicated space within the library
- Providing general oversight and facilitation to users of the Satellite Community Makerspace
- Assisting in community and student recruitment
- Recruiting community professionals to provide facilitation of student projects
- Providing access to computer networks for virtual collaboration
- Providing general troubleshooting for equipment
- Assisting in data collection efforts
- Collaborating and sharing with other Satellite Community Makerspaces and UNL

Our mission intertwines a person's discovery and creativity with traditional and high-tech resources and tools, our community center atmosphere and access hours, and our lifetime-of-learning centered approach to services and programs with a distinct maker-culture twist. This mission also provides our community's Grow Grand Island planning process with extensive support and collaboration. With everyone working together, there are so many educational, cultural, multiculturally diverse, economic/community development, and quality of life initiatives building Grand Island's future growth.

Development of a makerspace in our library is part of our GILIBRARY 2020 long range plan and directly ties in with a major Grow Grand Island goal. Tonja Brown, Executive Chair of Grow Grand Island, expresses their organization's commitment toward this project as having the same level of community commitment as their other established initiatives. This, along with strong commitments from business, education and community service leaders reassures me that our entire community will be positioned to make this makerspace a resounding success with UNL's expert guidance.

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Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to collaborate with UNL for the benefit of our community and state.

Sincerely,

Steve Fosselman, Library Director

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A Lifetime of Learning Happens @ Your Library



Working Together for a Better Tomorrow. Today.

August 3, 2016

Dr. Bradley Barker University of Nebraska – Lincoln 4-H Extension 114 Ag Hall Lincoln, NE 68583

Dear Dr. Barker,

As City Administrator, please consider this letter of commitment on behalf of myself and Mayor Jeremy L. Jensen of the City of Grand Island. Having the chance to offer families and individuals this unique, high-quality, community makerspace is an opportunity that we would greatly welcome.

If the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's proposal entitled Nebraska Innovation Network is selected for funding by the National Science Foundation, it is our intent to collaborate and commit our resources to work with our public library and local extension educators to provide support and assistance in the following ways:

- Sustain our library operations and services; the development of a makerspace is part of our GILIBRARY 2020 Long Range Plan;
- Support this effort and other library initiatives that will support the Grow Grand Island initiatives; and
- Engage local students, businesses, non-profit organization and other community partners to ensure the makerspace is a success.

The Mayor and I appreciate this opportunity to expand 21st century literacy through a community makerspace for our students, local entrepreneurs and the general public.

Sincerely,

Marlan Ferguson, City Administrator

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Dr. Bradley Barker
UNL 4-H Extension
114 Ag Hall
PO Box 830700
Lincoln, NE 68583-0700



Dear Dr. Barker,

Grand Island, Nebraska is committed to growth. As such, in 2014 the business community, in concert with city and county government, undertook a strategic planning process. This resident-driven, inclusive effort resulted in the development of a collaborative and comprehensive approach to business and community growth and progress. The "Grow Grand Island: A Grander Vision for the Heartland" program of work includes 30+ initiatives across these five foundational pillars: 1) Existing Business, 2) Entrepreneurs, 3) Image, 4) Workforce, and 5) Community Assets. These five pillars are tied together by collaborative, cooperative, and effective partnerships.

I was elated to hear the Grand Island Public Library was invited to be part of a National Science Foundation grant application coordinated by the Nebraska Innovation Campus at UNL. Having a makerspace available to our area will hit every pillar in one way or another. I envision this grant opportunity to be defined as a Grow Grand Island initiative and given the same level of community commitment our other established initiatives are given. Dedicated leaders and tireless volunteers work hard to address our program of work. We strive to leverage resources and partner in every way possible to achieve our objectives.

Please count Grow Grand Island in enthusiastic support of the Grand Island Public Library's participation in this grant. We look forward to the many ways our youth and all those with entrepreneurial spirit will create and explore. This is the kind of technology-rich experiences that will develop the knowledge and skills Grand Island and the surrounding area will need to compete and flourish in tomorrow's workplace.

Sincerely,

Tonja Brown

Executive Chair

Jonja Brown

Kneale Administration Building

Dr. Robin Dexter Associate Superintendent August 2, 2016



To:

Dr. Bradley Barker

UNL 4-H Extension

RE:

Letter of Commitment for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's proposal, Nebraska Innovation

Network

Dr. Barker,

I am writing to confirm our intent to collaborate and commit Grand Island Public Schools to work with the City of Grand Island Public Library and local extension educator to:

- Promote the Makerspace to entrepreneurs that can work alongside students to create and invent.
- Promote the space and the learning activities.

Grand Island Public Schools (GIPS) serves 4,500 middle and high school students. This population is increasingly diverse with over 52% of our student population being of Hispanic descent. Additionally, over 69% of our students are eligible for free and reduced priced meals. While GIPS' graduation rate is around 90%, only 65% of students are continuing on to college and fewer into a successful career. For this reason, it is important for GIPS to encourage students to overcome barriers and to further their education.

GIPS is looking forward to the collaboration with the City of Grand Island Public Library and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's proposal entitled Nebraska Innovation Network if funded by the National Science Foundation. This project speaks directly to our student base and has the potential to change student lives.

GIPS is pursuing strategies to engage educators, communities, business and industry leaders, and students in personally-relevant STEM based learning that leads to the development of knowledge and skills through technology rich experiences. Due to the positive affect and support for students by this project, GIPS is committed to support the collaboration to implement the Nebraska Innovation Network – Satellite Community Makerspace.

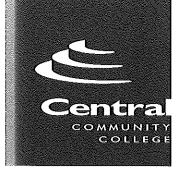
Sincerely,

Robin R. Dexter, EdD

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Dear Sir/Madam:

The letter serves as Central Community College's (CCC) commitment to work with the Grand Island Public Library in creating a *Nebraska Innovation Campus Satellite Community Makerspace*. This effort is of particular interest to CCC in our efforts to promote student awareness of STEM careers and to pursue innovative strategies to engage students. It would also assist in achieving a larger goal of encouraging students to seek education in these careers.

CCC currently is engaged in a joint effort with Grand Island Public Schools in an established Career Pathways Institute and this project would both expand and enhance our efforts at engaging students as early as possible to generate interest in these career possibilities. With the rapidly changing diversity in Grand Island, these efforts will become increasingly important to the future of our community.

If the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's proposal entitled Nebraska Innovation Network is selected for funding by the National Science Foundation, it is our intent to collaborate and commit our organization's resources to work with our local public library and local Extension educator to provide support and assistance through faculty participation, providing special interest sessions, and consulting with design of space and technology. We hope that Grand Island is provided the most serious consideration.

Best regards,

Thomas A Walker J

Campus President

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August 3, 2016



Dr. Bradley Barker UNL 4-H Extension Post Office Box 830700 Lincoln, NE 68583-0700

RE: NEBRASKA INNOVATION NETWORK

Dear Dr. Barker:

I am writing this letter in reference to the Nebraska Innovation Network and the potential for the Grand Island Public Library and local Extension educator to be a part of this outstanding initiative.

For years, the Grand Island Public Library has been a place where discovery and learning intersect. The library's focus on community and education with no restrictions regarding economic or socioeconomic status or ethnicity have made the Public Library one of the most forward focused community development sites in Grand Island.

The community of Grand Island has adopted a strategic business and community development plan entitled Grow Grand Island. This plan, designed to help Grand Island be strategic and thoughtful in its economic and community development efforts, includes numerous references to the importance of makerspace programs, high school entrepreneurialism and general efforts at increasing our success in growing our entrepreneurial businesses. The target audience (middle and high school students) and goals for the National Science Foundation grant aligns perfectly with the goals within the Grow Grand Island initiative - fostering awareness and understanding of STEM-related occupations and development of STEM knowledge and skills. These efforts would complement quite nicely the work being done at our Career Pathways Institute as well.

The Grand Island Chamber of Commerce is excited about the opportunity for our Public Library to serve as a makerspace site. We will commit to providing ongoing communications with the business community which would allow for promotion of the makerspace initiative. Additionally, these communications could serve as a way for the Library to seek out volunteers and mentors. We are pleased to be a partner with the Library in this endeavor.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Cindy K. Johnson

President



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Dr. Bradley Barker UNL 4-H Extension 114 Ag Hall PO Box 830700 Lincoln, NE 68583-0700

August 3, 2016

Dear Dr. Barker:

Since its formation in 2001, Multicultural Coalition has proudly collaborated with the Grand Island Public Library. Our clientele is low-income and since the beginning of this year, 50% of our clients have been Latino or Hispanic and 30% have been African (a tenfold increase from 2015). The diversity of our clients is indicative of the diversity of library patrons. Many of the individuals we serve also utilize the many services our public library has to offer.

Grand Island is a diverse community, with the last U.S. Census estimating our minority population at 33% of the total population. Multicultural Coalition supports this diversity through language and cultural interpretation so that new residents, whether they be immigrants, refugees or other vulnerable populations, can access the services they need to be successful Grand Islanders. Language and cultural interpretation are also important for long-established Grand Island residents, especially to learn about the diverse populations in the community, so we can all learn, work and play together.

If the Nebraska Innovation Network proposal brought forth by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is selected by the National Science Foundation, we intend to continue our collaboration with and support of our public library. One component of Multicultural Coalition's mission is empowering individuals, and we believe that this happens through education. In our work with low-income and diverse populations, we hope to promote the space and the learning activities associated with the Nebraska Innovation Network.

In hopes that the University of Nebraska-Lincoln decides to make the Grand Island Public Library the locus of the Nebraska Innovation Network, we reaffirm our promise of collaboration.

Sincerely,

Audrey A. Lutz Executive Director director@mcofgi.org

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Our Vision: A safe, healthy, & thriving community and families.

August 2, 2016

Dr. Bradley Barker UNL 4-H Extension

RE: Nebraska Innovation Network

Dr. Barker,

If the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's proposal entitled "Nebraska Innovation Network" is selected for funding by the National Science Foundation, it is the intent of the Hall County Community Collaborative (H3C) to collaborate and commit our organization's resources to work with our local public library and Extension educator to provide support and assistance.

The H3C will provide assist with recruiting volunteers to staff the Makerspace, promote the Makerspace to entrepreneurs that can work alongside students to create and invent, recommend one or more H3C member to participate in statewide and/or local training, and promote the space and the learning activities. The H3C has a membership of just over 160 individuals representing a large number of community sectors including business, human service, government, primary and secondary education, medical, faith-based, early childhood, older youth, community volunteers, and other systems of care. The H3C is committed to strengthening systems of care that serve children from birth to 24 and their families, ensuring access to services that are culturally, socially, and language appropriate.

The Grand Island Public Library is a vital partner of the H3C and provides a community space and services that meet needs across generations and diverse cultures. The H3C is committed to the Nebraska Innovation Network project and fully supports the University of Nebraska-Lincoln proposal.

Regards,

Kathleen Stolz, President

Hall County Community Collaborative

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August 2, 2016

Dr. Bradley Barker UNL 4-H Extension, 114 Ag Hall Lincoln, NE 68583

Dear Dr. Barker,

The intent of this letter is to support the National Science Foundation's grant application coordinated by the Nebraska Innovation Campus at UNL. The goals of the grant application align with the mission of the Heartland United Way which is to improve lives and create possibilities in Hall, Hamilton, Howard and Merrick Counties. At the Heartland United Way, we fight for the health, education and financial stability for every person in every community. We are proud to partner with Grand Island Public Library on two of our early childhood education initiatives to improve early grade reading levels which include BornLearning and the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. The Imagination Library promotes early childhood literacy by providing free age-appropriate books that are delivered to the mailboxes of children under five who live in Hall, Hamilton, Howard and Merrick Counties.

The Grand Island Public Library is a vital community partner on our Education Council which focuses on student success and broadened job opportunities. Community partners serving on the Education Council are committed to seeking innovative ways to reduce student drop-out rates and to provide opportunities to learn new skills to secure higher-paying jobs.

The prospect of a community makerspace at our public library will go far to achieve community goals we have set to give children a chance and families a brighter future. Overcoming barriers and attaining lifelong personal and community success start with staying in school and gaining aptitude with 21st century technologies. Our library has made a good start with providing access to computers and other technology basics, often unavailable to people served by the United Way. This makerspace is a significant next step in our library's and community's development.

If the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's proposal entitled Nebraska Innovation Network is selected for funding by the National Science Foundation, it is our intent to collaborate and commit our organization's resources to work with our local public library and local Extension educator to provide support and assistance in securing mentors and volunteers to work with students and the public. We will actively promote the makerspace's benefits, availability and ease of use to those we serve directly and indirectly within our four-county service area. And since the Heartland United Way is an integral part of Grow Grand Island, we will all be leveraging our leadership and development resources for the benefit of this grant opportunity.

The Heartland United Way is proud to support a community makerspace at our public library.

Thank you for your consideration.

Karen Rathke

GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.

General Fund Appropriation Summary

	2014	2015	2016	2016	2017
General Government	Actual	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Budget
City Administrator's Office	356,121	470,673	422,053	419,095	424,035
Economic Development	375,001	466,070	525,000	525,000	100,000
Mayor's Office	16,371	18,713	24,865	25,583	23,365
Legislative	86,182	90,823	93,471	93,805	93,471
City Clerk	122,011	134,279	144,769	141,404	146,656
Finance	2,106,300	2,098,170	2,152,104	1,982,563	2,220,197
Legal	317,303	328,411	366,156	374,853	391,786
City Hall	341,820	367,498	500,383	471,891	495,452
Human Resources	501,863	437,973	584,205	567,840	555,641
	4,222,972	4,412,609	4,813,006	4,602,035	4,450,603
Public Safety					
Building Inspection	865,464	875,497	943,051	887,900	961,186
Fire Services	4,080,223	4,217,032	8,858,561	7,678,637	10,037,176
Emergency Medical Services	3,068,772	3,114,430	_	-	-
Police	10,275,570	10,492,938	11,401,155	11,185,462	11,614,517
Emergency Management	1,146,386	1,295,656	1,459,839	1,385,572	1,529,668
	19,436,415	19,995,553	22,662,606	21,137,571	24,142,547
Public Works					
Engineering	1,036,639	1,116,026	1,441,795	1,420,726	1,469,591
Streets & Transportation	5,350,415	4,845,354	7,214,017	7,233,725	_
	6,387,054	5,961,380	8,655,812	8,654,451	1,469,591
Environment & Leisure					
Planning	265,578	278,975	304,862	303,422	317,018
Library	1,777,408	1,751,799	1,963,214	1,901,334	1,829,339
Parks	1,629,560	1,552,809	1,852,419	1,777,517	1,866,813
Cemetery	472,894	543,525	547,856	547,735	546,910
Recreation	395,348	449,876	459,096	438,657	457,625
Aquatics	556,694	564,764	598,939	597,644	569,570
Public Information	173,475	188,721	234,466	214,867	222,648
Heartland Shooting Park	486,510	526,193	510,769	505,635	527,419
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Grand Island Public Library's 2016-2017 Children's Programming School Year Schedule

Beginning September 6th

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Baby Lapsits (Rock and Read) @

WEDNESDAY

Lapsits (Play and Read) @ 10:00 AM-10:45 AM

Ages 1-2 An interactive play time for preschool children who learn primarily through their senses. This incorporates play, books, fingerplays, crafts, and more.

10:30 AM-11:00 AM Ages birth up to 2 Music, books, fingerplays, puppets, and more!

Storytime (Ready to Read) @ 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Ages 3-5 Stories, crafts, treats, music, and more!



Every CHKLD

The library models and recommends Every Child Ready to Read.

Ready to READ

Pajama Time (Family Story Hour) @ 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Preschool Ages & Families Come play with educational toys, listen to stories, crafts and other hands-on pre-literacy fun.

BookBop@

2:30 PM- 3:15 PM

All ages A music and movement storytime in Meeting Room ABC

Baby Lapsit (Rock and Read) @ 6:00 PM- 6:30 PM

Ages birth up to 2 Music, books, fingerplays, puppets, and more!

Programming ends May 6, 2017

SATURDAY STORYTIME PROGRAMS 11:00 AM-11:45 AM in Bookingham Palace

1st Saturday of the Month: Paws to Read

2nd Saturday of the Month: Clean Community System

3rd Saturday of the Month: Hot Cocoa en la Manana Storytime (Multicultural Coalition)

4th Saturday of the Month: BookBop

5th Saturday of the Month (if needed): Stories and Crafts

2016-2017 Closing Dates

September 4 & 5, 2016 December 25, 2016 November 11, 2016 **December 31, 2016**

November 24, 2016 (TBA...)

November 25, 2016 January 1, 2017 December 24, 2016 January 16, 2017

April 16, 2017 (TBA...)

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Special Programming

No Storytimes or Lapsits during these weeks:

Winter Break Programming

December 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29.

Regular Storytime/Lapsits resume January 3

Bear Fair

January 23-25th.

Regular Storytime/Lapsits resume February 1

Spring Break Programming

March 3-11.

Regular Storytime/Lapsits resume March 13

Nebraska Warrior Writers



Fall 2016 Workshops

Professional Instruction · Support · Guidance Free to all veterans & active duty personnel

9 - 11 a.m. • Saturdays Grand Island Public Library

211 N Washington Street

September 10

October 22

September 17

November 5

October 8

November 19

PRESENTED BY:





HUMANITIES NEBRASKA



To sign up, contact Erin DeHart at edehart@york.edu or (402) 366-7182.

Upon request, activities will be available for children ages 3-12.

www.NeWarriorWriters.org

Fred and Amanda Glade Foundation







August 15, 2016 Report to Board

Title	Date	Primary Event Type
The Library is Closed in Observance of the Fourth of July		Announcement
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Baby Lapsits-Rock and Read		Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Book Club for Adults 2016		Book Club for Adults
Stories and Crafts-Tongue and Taste with UNL Extension		Children's Summer Reading
Teen Anime-Open Craft Day		Teen Anime/Craft
Golden Sower FUN Club-Ninja Red Ridinghood with South Central		Children's Summer Reading
Taekwondo	17072010	Children's Summer Reading
Preschoolers-Kindergarten Storytime-SOCCER	7/6/2016	Children's Summer Reading
Proctor Exam for University of Cincinnati		Proctor Exam
Teen Crafts-Newspaper Basket		Teen Summer Reading
Summer Reading Enrichment Club-Let's Get Physical		Children's Summer Reading
Teen Summer Reading Program-GI Robots with Sam	_	Teen Summer Reading
Children Stories, Animal Stories and Traditional Lakota Stories	_	NE 150 Workshop
Willa Cather's Life in Letters	_	NE 150 Workshop
Stories and Crafts-Saturday Storytime	7/9/2016	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
3rd-5th Grade Big Kids Club-Think Your Drink and Blender Bikes		Children's Literacy Event
with UNL Ext Off	1//11/2010	Cilidren's Literacy Event
Mega Mondays! Magical Paradise Exotic Animals	7/11/2016	Children's Summer Reading
Minecraft-Coding Club		Teen General Program
Storytime for Adults-Reading with-Dori Bush		Adult Summer Reading
Baby Lapsits-Rock and Read		Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Stories and Crafts-Healthy Plate		Children's Summer Reading
Teen Anime-Get in the Game	_	Teen Anime/Craft
Golden Sower FUN Club-A Piece of Cake		Children's Summer Reading
Preschoolers-Kindergarten Storytime-RALLY CAR RACING	_	Children's Literacy Event
Proctor Test-Iowa Central Community College		Proctor Exam
Teen Crafts-Notebook Collage		Teen Summer Reading
AARP and Nebraska Dept of Insurance		Hosted Meeting
Proctored Exam		Proctor Exam
Summer Reading Enrichment Club-Stuhr Museum		Children's Summer Reading
Teen Summer Reading Program-Teen CERT Introduction		Teen Summer Reading
Proctor Exam		Proctor Exam
Stories and Crafts-Saturday Storytime	7/16/2016	
3rd-5th Grade Big Kids Club-Library Miniature Golf	_	Children's Literacy Event
Library Board Meeting		Library Board
Mega Mondays! Just for Kix		Children's Literacy Event
Minecraft-Coding Club	_	Teen General Program
Proctored Test -unk		Proctor Exam
Baby Lapsits-Rock and Read		Baby & Toddler Lapsits
		Children's Summer Reading
Stories and Crafts-Summer Olympics		Teen Anime/Craft
Teen Anime-Yoga with Deb Golden Sower FUN Club-Elizabeth: Queen of the Seas		
	_	Children's Summer Reading
Preschoolers-Kindergarten OLYMPICS Toon Crofts Magazine Crofts		Children's Summer Reading
Teen Crafts-Magazine Crafts		Teen Summer Reading
Summer Reading Enrichment Club-Olympic Reading Party!	-i	Children's Summer Reading
Teen Summer Reading Program-Talent Show		Teen Summer Reading
Hall County Community Collaborative	[7/22/2016	Hosted Meeting

Call for more details

,		Proctor Exam
	7/23/2016	
		Children's Summer Reading
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	July	Teen Summer Reading
		Display - Adult
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	July	Display - Children's
Get Set, Read Glass Display, Summer Books, Ice Cream,	· · · · ·	
Exercise, Minecraft, History, Olympics, New Fiction, Health		
Books, 4th of July, Legos, Animals, and Fossils		
	July	Display - Teen
Get in the Game Sports Books, Award Books, Stress Coloring		
Table, Graphic Novels, Gaming Books, Pokemon		
Book Club for Adults 2016	8/2/2016	Book Club for Adults
Author /Book Signing-Barn Quilts	8/3/2016	Adult Author Program
Proctored Test	8/4/2016	Proctor Exam
Proctor Exam for University of Cincinnati	8/4/2016	Proctor Exam
Prairie Fibers Weavers and Spinners Guild	8/6/2016	Hosted Meeting
Sketch Art Club	8/8/2016	Hosted Meeting
Office for Civil Rights United States Department of Education	8/8/2016	Hosted Meeting
Grow Grand Island	8/9/2016	Hosted Meeting
Proctored Exam	8/10/2016	Proctor Exam
Moonshell Munch and Learn	8/11/2016	Adult Cultural Program
Proctored Exam	8/11/2016	Proctor Exam
Library Board Meeting		Library Board
Adult Story Time with Dori Bush	8/15/2016	General Program
Proctor Exam from Michigan St	8/18/2016	Proctor Exam
Nebraska State Genealogical Society	8/20/2016	Hosted Meeting
University of Nebraska Public Policy Center	8/23/2016	Hosted Meeting
World War II - Grand Island and Berlin	8/27/2016	Adult Cultural Program
The Library is Closed for the Labor Day Holiday	9/4/2016	Announcement
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Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read	9/6/2016	Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Book Club for Adults 2016	9/6/2016	Book Club for Adults
Pajamatime (Family Storyhour)	9/6/2016	Family Storytime
Storytime (Ready to Read)	9/7/2016	Storytime
Storytime (Ready to Read)	9/7/2016	Storytime

Call for more details

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BookBop-Stories, Music and Movement		Storytime
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read	_	Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Grow Grand Island		Hosted Meeting
Nebraska Warrior Writers Project	_	Adult Cultural Program
Saturday Storytime-Stories and Crafts	9/10/2016	
Lapsits	9/12/2016	
Story Time for Adults with Dori Bush		Adult Summer Reading
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read		Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Pajamatime (Family Storyhour)		Family Storytime
Storytime (Ready to Read)	9/14/2016	
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BookBop-Stories, Music and Movement	9/14/2016	
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read		Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Health & Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities	-	Hosted Meeting
Nebraska Safety Council	9/15/2016	Hosted Meeting
Nebraska Warrior Writers Project	_	Adult Cultural Program
Saturday Storytime-Stories and Crafts	9/17/2016	
Lapsits	9/19/2016	
Library Board Meeting	9/19/2016	Library Board
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read	9/20/2016	Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Pajamatime (Family Storyhour)		Family Storytime
Nebraska State Genealogical Society		Hosted Meeting
Storytime (Ready to Read)	9/21/2016	
Storytime (Ready to Read)	9/21/2016	
BookBop-Stories, Music and Movement	9/21/2016	
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read	_	Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Saturday Storytime-Stories and Crafts	9/24/2016	
Edith Abbott Tea Party	9/25/2016	Children's Literacy Event
Lapsits	9/26/2016	
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read	9/27/2016	Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Pajamatime (Family Storyhour)		Family Storytime
Storytime (Ready to Read)	9/28/2016	Storytime
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BookBop-Stories, Music and Movement	9/28/2016	
Baby & Toddler Lapsit-Rock and Read	9/28/2016	Baby & Toddler Lapsits
Hall County Community Collaborative		Hosted Meeting

Call for more details