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FY16 MAY—JUN

Program Highlights

Real Men Read

1100+ Number of children read to by Real Men Read volunteers in FY 16, a mentoring program that encourages youth to love literacy and education by interacting with a positive male role model as he reads a story. On May 20th, these volunteers had their annual luncheon to celebrate their success.

First Month of Explore Memphis

10,600+ Explore Memphis is the Library’s summer reading adventure aimed at keeping youth engaged throughout the Summer in order to battle the “Summer Slide”. In June alone, over 10,600 people attended the Library’s 540+ programs.

Job, Career, and Entrepreneurship

6,500+ Over 6,500 people attended the Library’s Job, Career, and Entrepreneurship programs in FY 16.

“We are gearing our mindset towards developing our dreams methodically and intentionally.”

- Benjamin L. Hooks customer that attended one of the “Mindset of an Entrepreneur” programs, provided in partnership with the Shelby County Trustee’s Office and Bank On Memphis.

More from our Customers

“This class made me change my eating habits.”

-M. Roberson, South Library customer and participant of the Nutrition Knowledge Series provided in partnership with the University of Memphis

“It was useful to learn what resources the library has on hand to help with the proposal writing process, the foundation directory, and books listing grantmakers.”

- Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library customer that participated in the Introduction to Proposal Writing program in May. This program is provided in partnership with the Foundation Center.

“I have learned at least five new things from this presentation when before I knew nothing about grilling!”

-Sunny S., Cordova Library customer that attended a Summer Food Safety program presented in partnership with the University of Tennessee Extension Services at the Agricenter.

Goal 1: Ensures that all Memphians have access to technology needed to increase knowledge, learning, and access to the economy.

Goal 2: Reaches beyond its walls with creative partnerships that make a difference in people’s lives.

Goal 3: Communicates in ways that move libraries from a supporting player to a leadership role that is highly valued in today’s public space.

Goal 4: A platform for three overriding purposes: literacy, education accelerator, and jobs center.

Goal 5: Advances a culture of excellence in operations and outreach.