



Program Type Offered/Attended FY16 YTD

Literacy / Literature	290/6752
Job & Career	80/4230
Culture / Recreation	174/4075
Technology	136/1155
Education	56/1113
Health and Safety	34/955
STEAM	43/836
Legal Services	5/581
Citizenship Prep / ESL	25/531
Community Information	2/360
History / Genealogy	16/214
Business Assistance	25/202
Personal Finance	5/146
Science	7/132
Nonprofit / Grants	6/38
Government Assistance	12/33

CLLOUD901 Open for Business



A youth development organization – Red Zone Ministries in Orange Mound - brought their high schoolers to the College Fair hosted by the Southern Heritage Classic. When preparing to leave the college fair she noticed that many of her male students, who were previously anxious to leave, were now back inside the college fair at the CLOUD901 table. She said, "I have not seen them that engaged with anything...They were just blown away by talking to your guys."

Reimagined Spaces at Cossitt



Throughout October, the Cossitt Library revamped their backyard and hosted concerts, story times, scavenger hunts, food trucks, and more; all with stunning views of the Mississippi.

"The lights (behind Cossitt) made a WORLD of difference."

- Laurel Reisman, Downtown resident

Healthy and Safety @ the Library



Health Fair

Nearly 1000 people have attended the Library's Health and Safety programs this fiscal year, including a Health Fair at Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library on September 19th with the UT Health Science Center and Southern College of Optometry.

Memphis Reads 2015



David Eggers' book, "What is the What", was the focal point of this year's Memphis Reads events. The book shares the experiences of Sudanese lost boy Valentino Achak Deng. The Library participated in this year's events by hosting the kick-off press conference and a viewing of the movie "The Good Lie" followed by a talk with "lost boy" Joseph Atem.

"During the war families were separated-you didn't know who was alive and who was dead until after the peace talks."

-Joseph Atem

Domestic Violence

The Library held several programs in October for National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. It was obvious during Whitehaven Library's 4th annual Domestic Violence program that this was filling a deep need in the community. A woman came in late with her 4 daughters between the ages of 10 and 15. She stood up and said, "I am here for help. I have no where else to turn." Our speaker was able to give her a personal contact that the speaker would additionally follow up on.

Diabetes Awareness

In partnership with Qsource, a nonprofit, healthcare quality improvement and information technology consultancy, the Library held several free classes on Diabetes self-management.

"I didn't know any of this! This is so helpful."

-Benjamin L. Hooks Customer

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.