STRATEGIC PLAN 2024-2026 - ESTABLISHING A CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

PROGRESS REPORT - JAN-APRIL 2024



Goals

The Work Ahead

What We've Accomplished



To Educate

Generations participate in rich, interactive learning opportunities that deepen their own understanding while inviting them to contribute to the collective learning experience of others.

- Identify and develop new opportunities for learners to nurture curiosity
- Transform the UDPL Creative Suite into a community workspace
- Evolve and enhance Adult Discovery & Learning

- All staff explored a new avenue for hands-on learning, Culinary Literacy
- Developed a new hanging display & browsing notebook to showcase the Library of Things
- Performed a comprehensive audit of STEAM programs held between 2021-2023
- Began discussions about the evolution of the UDPL STEAM Lab
- AD&L brochures or website content were shared with 30 area contacts/organizations



To Inspire

Readers of all ages discover books that enhance their literacy skills, expand their minds, and form the foundation for a lasting love of reading.

- Showcase library collections
- Develop and implement a plan to update & refresh library communications
- Develop library staff as book advocates and experts
- Joined forces with Fort Washington Elementary School to host Read Across America event
- Designed and launched a new monthly eNews, Books & More, for those interested in library collections and book news
- Department Head librarians participated in 3-hour Readers' Advisory: Ideas and Practices workshop
- The UDPL's annual staff-in service included several sessions on readers' advisory



And To Strengthen

Our community comes together in a vibrant, accessible & inclusive Center for Community Engagement.

- Foster connections & dialogue, share resources, and enhance the cultural fabric of our community through partnerships
- Develop plans for indoor & outdoor public spaces
- Identify & find solutions for barriers to accessing library services

- Hosted first meetings with new Upper Dublin School District Superintendent and her leadership staff and UDSD reading specialists to promote partnership opportunities
- Developed and submitted \$2.385 million Multi-Purpose Facilities grant application in April to improve parking and enhance auditorium
- Contracted with new company to improve quality of food and beverage vending services for visitors.