

Goals



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.



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.



And To Strengthen

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

The Work Ahead

- 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

- Showcase library collections
- Develop and implement a plan to update & refresh library communications
- Develop library staff as book advocates and experts

- 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

What We've Accomplished

- Welcomed Upper Dublin Parks & Rec to utilize the STEAM Lab to host weekly summer camps, maximizing the space for hands-on learning
- Increased social engagement among AD&L participants by piloting a food truck each Wednesday during the 4-week summer session
- Replaced 10-year-old North Hills & Mondauk Little Free Libraries, expanding access to books
- Screened LSC's new virtual children's/YA author series in auditorium; also bestselling author Shelby Van Pelt's interview
- Captivated over 1,700 students with the unveiling of the 2024 Summer Reading Club at elementary schools
- Steered and participated in the 4th Celebrate Summer series with UD Township, Parks & Rec, and corporate sponsors
- With architects and staff, explored options for renovating space for future community rooms and restoring the former cafe
- Developed cohesive strategy for the Friends Shop, addressed volunteer vacancies, and introduced a range of new 'bookish' gift selections
- At the start of summer, launched Kids News, a bimonthly newsletter tailored to interest kids and families
- Offered select children's summer programs in two sessions, providing convenience, reducing crowding, and making for an overall better experience