## Fort Smith Public Library Endowment Trust

## **Engage Young Minds**

Our annual summer reading program is underway! Now through July 31, children and teens receive prizes for the time they spend reading. Not only does this make reading fun, it helps prevent the "summer slide" that often happens during summer vacation.

The summer reading program theme this year is "A Universe of Stories" and focuses on astronomy and space. The library has many wonderful programs planned to teach kids to think analytically, work with STEAM activities such as robotics, computer coding, and engineering, and have **FUN** in the process.



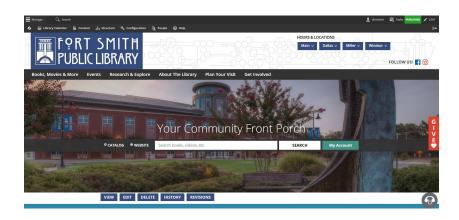


Participation in the summer reading program is free! Bring your kids or grandchildren to the Main Library or one of the wonderful neighborhood branches to sign up.

Dates, times, locations, and descriptions of all of our summer programs are available on the website at <a href="https://www.fortsmithlibrary.org">www.fortsmithlibrary.org</a>. Come see us!

## **Engage - Revitalize - Invest**

The Fort Smith Public Library has a new website. Check it out at www.fortsmithlibrary.org Funding for the new website came from the library endowment. Through your support, this wonderful new website will expand and enhance the library's ability to serve the community. Thank you!



Your donations also make a difference through the endowment's annual gift of \$45,000 to the library for children's and young adult books. Nearly every new children's book on the library's shelves is funded through your gifts to the endowment. This investment in our children helps build important literacy skills, prepare them for school, and instill a love of books and learning that we hope will last a lifetime. Again, thank you!





Be a part of our Carnegie Society through a major gift or estate plan. Naming opportunities are available. Help perpetuate the financial stability of our library system and leave a legacy with your gift. For more information contact the endowment office.

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The Next Chapter is our five-year plan to expand and enhance library services and resources to increase and expand the library's impact. Help us grow the endowment that in turn will provide financial resources for the library to be the best it can be in our area. Just click on Donate Now.

A library outranks any other thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never failing spring in the desert.

- Andrew Carnegie



