San José Public Library

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Outreach Work Plan for Partners in Reading (Adult Literacy Program) and Alum Rock Branch Library

Vision	Resources	Action	Yield	Initial Impact	Sustained Outcome
San Jose Public Library will build bigger bridges between the library and community to: # enhance the library's image, # increase library involvement in community initiatives, and # more fully engage the community in library services and resources.	* Community Engagement Liaison position description * Current library volunteers * Recruitment Strategy for Liaison including contacts * Community Engagement Liaison * Initiative description/ case * Elevator speech * Comfortable and inviting workspace for liaison with access to needed business resources. * Staff who will collaborate with the liaison & the main staff contact * Promotional materials * Contacts: department, branches, CSJ – W2F, Parks & Rec; SJSU development & related departments; community leaders/ agencies/ businesses; CSJ Council person; Friends group; etc * Budget * Training materials for staff and liaison	* Create budget * Develop Liaison position description * Recruit applicants including looking at internal volunteers * Define screening / selection process * Screen/ Interview applicants * Select Liaisons * Identify staff who will work with Liaison * Determine training/ coaching needed for staff and liaison; develop and deliver * Define outreach goals * Develop outreach plan/ strategy * Identify benchmarks/ indicators of success * Evaluate efforts * Inventory collaborators, community stakeholders & contacts * Staff and volunteers know the message points	* 8 new contacts made with community leaders/stakeholders for [Branch/PAR]. * 5 new contacts made with community organizations related to [PAR/Branch]. * 25% increase in [PAR/Branch] program participation. * 3 new requests for [PAR/ Branch] services/ resources delivered at outside agencies. * 20% more staff, volunteers, and stakeholders can represent the interests of [Branch/PAR] in the community. * 25% increase in new volunteers engaged with [PAR/Branch]. * 2 new outreach strategies for [PAR/Branch] that have proven successful.	(If outreach is for a certain audience, then the impacts should be related to that audience) * Library staff and volunteers collaborate on outreach * Volunteers will feel like a member of the [PAR/Branch] team * Volunteers will begin training new volunteers * [Branch/PAR] staff are trained by volunteers in new techniques and approaches for successful outreach. * Community organizations become more aware of the variety of library services at the Branch. OR * Community organizations become more aware of local literacy issues and the PAR services that address these issues. * [PAR/Branch] becomes involved in more community initiatives and decision-making groups. * [Branch/PAR] establishes collaborative working agreements with new agencies.	(If outreach is for a certain audience, then the sustained outcomes should be related to that audience) * Community perceives [Branch/PAR] as an important, vibrant and essential community agency. * Long term collaborations are established between [PAR/Branch] and organizations and community groups that are mutually beneficial by increasing resources and support for each of their missions. * Program funding is increased * Volunteers become mentors