

Urbandale Public Library Foundation, Inc.

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Public libraries serve many roles. Here at the Urbandale Public Library we provide access to literature, promote the love of reading, foster the free exchange of ideas and serve as a gathering place for the citizens of Urbandale and beyond.

Our goal is to remain a vital community center for lifelong learners of all ages. Our open-door policy with top-notch programming and state of the art services will keep us on the right path to do just that. With your help we will be able to continue that mission.

Your generous financial support has allowed the library to:

- Add Reiman Gardens as a new venue to the Adventure Pass program. The Adventure Pass program has provided more than 1,500 families with access to a variety of area cultural attractions, including the Science Center of Iowa, the Blank Park Zoo, the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, Brenton Skating Plaza, and the Des Moines Children's Museum.
- Offer the Library Speakers Consortium database to the library's collection. The database provides access to live and archived videos of interviews with a variety of authors.
- Collaborate with the Urbandale Public Art Committee to bring an outdoor piano to the library and provide a series of concerts at the library and the Gabus Memorial Tree Park.
- Fund an online database of the Des Moines Register, allowing users to browse current issues and search past editions.
- Sponsor the All Urbandale Reads program – a “one book, one community” reading initiative that strives to unite the community and promote literacy through one inspiring read. Our funding allowed the library to host special events and purchase 60 copies of *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah to distribute to participants and with our community partners!
- Provide another exciting summer reading program for kids, teens, and adults. Our kickoff event in May 2024 was attended by more than 700 people at the Gabus Memorial Tree Park. Highlights included bubble wand stations, foam blasters, crafts, science activities, and popcorn and snow cones provided by the Urbandale Lions Club!

Thank you for continuing to support this much-loved institution in our community. As always, your gift of any size is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,



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