



SUMMER WITH YOUR LIBRARY 2021

Summer Reading Programs were originally designed by public libraries to help elementary-aged students avoid summer learning loss by encouraging them to read. Our Summer Reading Programs have grown to include programs and prizes for all ages-tweens, teens, and adults making it a true community-wide program. In our economically-challenged area, the Library System has become more important than ever and is busier than ever. We touch the lives of many and strive to do even more.

Starting in June 2020, our children's programming team pivoted and innovated with our Story Time in the Park events. We held story times at 7 outdoor locations throughout the county to ensure safe, socially distanced, family friendly programs. During our 13 programs, we had **over 800 people in attendance**, and because of support from community partners and sponsors, **every child in attendance went home with a free book and pre-packaged craft project**. In support of local small businesses, the majority of our **participation prizes were purchased from local ice cream shops, coffee shops, and restaurants**. We also encouraged safe outdoor activities by giving Maryland State Park Passports as grand prizes.



Sponsorships from the community make everything we do in the summer possible. The theme for 2021 is Tails and Tales, and we plan to follow the safe new programming model we found to be so successful and are planning to expand to include even more programs for all ages. If you are interested in making a donation or have any questions, please contact Alison Cline by email at acline@alleganycountylibrary.info or by phone (301-777-1200 ext. 1009).

The Allegany County Library System is a 501-C3 non-profit organization. Your donation is tax-deductible and we will send you a letter for your records. Checks can be made out to the Allegany County Library System and mailed to the attention of Alison Cline at 31 Washington Street, Cumberland, MD 21502. Donations can also be made online at: <https://www.alleganycountylibrary.info/support-us/>

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Deadline for sponsors to be included on reading logs is March 17, 2021. We distribute over 15,000 reading logs. Completed forms can be submitted to Alison Cline at 31 Washington Street Cumberland, MD 21502. Please forward logo in pdf, jpeg, tif, or png form to Alison Cline at acline@alleganycountylibrary.info