



5 QUOTES ON Why Libraries Join Growing Readers Together

TO INSPIRE STAFF

"Being a Growing Readers Together library has really empowered our whole staff to be more open to children and families and has helped to create more of a culture of community. I see staff really taking more of an interest in families, and that's wonderful!" - Alamosa Library staff



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TO INCREASE OUTREACH



"The mall story-times have been a huge success!! I had a total of 108 people attend in October. They are asking me when I will be back to do story-time and are very excited. A four year old boy walked up to me after story-time and said, "Thank you for the stories, you are great!" I am looking forward to doing more story-times at the mall in November. I am reaching a new audience and growing more young readers." - Pueblo City & County Library Staff

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TO SUPPORT EARLY LITERACY



"One of our FFN (informal child care providers) came into the library to let me know how grateful she was that she has reading packets to share with the children. She set up a schedule to read to the children which she had not done before. Now she reads to the children on a daily basis." - Conejos County Library District Staff

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TO CULTIVATE CONNECTIONS



"We are hosting a Growing Readers Together night for FFN and parents on the 3rd Monday of each month. Our GRT night in November had 10 attended. Half of the people had been to the previous GRT night in October. Many of the grandparents have started to become regulars at our weekly story-times. The monthly GRT nights have been a great opportunity for our FFN and parents to really get to know one another." - Canon City Library Staff

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TO COLLABORATE FOR IMPACT



"What we're learning is that collaboration is vital for reaching different demographics. It's something we are all doing and seeking out anyway. And the grant helped us do this faster and be more creative about who we are collaborating with." - Pikes Peak Library District Staff

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