### Q1: What changes can you make to library facilities that would promote wellness and community development?

- Pop up libraries
- **Space for encouraging conversation**
- “Safe haven” sign for kids
- Multi-lingual signage
- More meeting space
- Less formal/relaxed environment
- Make brochures and community info visible
- Roving librarians (less intimidating)
- More play for everybody
- Make windows clear and visible
- Comfortable temps
- Collaboration between departments
- Coffee machine
- **Comfortable chairs, moveable furniture**
- Foyer Seating
- Conversation boards
- **Bulletin boards w/Community info, displays that reflect the community**
- Add brochure holders
- Variety of meeting spaces (different sizes)
- **Interactive activities (puzzles)**
- Café gathering space
- Resources ctr/Help me station
- **Designated gaming computers, gaming area**
- Accessible power sources/outlets
- **Designated kids space w/ related resources nearby**
  - Hip, cool, comfortable, colorful spaces
  - Reach out to community for input on changing spaces and money
  - Add plants and decorative water fountain
  - Warm and welcoming staff
  - Reduce barriers between customers and staff
- **Inviting outdoor spaces**
  - Clear concise signage
  - Availability of mobile tech and equip
  - Bicycle repair station at library

### Q2: What changes can you make to library services, policies, and procedures that would demonstrate an ethic of care?

- Making sure all patrons are seen, heard, and included
- Unattended children policy: Taking care of kids with no other options
- Talk to people, make them “regulars” even if you are unsure
- Keeping library jargon down/keeping it real/using language kids use
- Increase public access to electronic resources
- Training on dealing with challenging patrons
- Mental health/first aid training
- Library service as community service/proactive mission statements
- Simplify procedures (give people room to choose/decide)
- Specific goals/methods for developing communication/trust
- Be more interactive with patrons, more “visible”—but not being watched when taking items
- Policies for staff self-care and trauma
- **Food/beverage policies**
  - Select titles on honor system (related to mental health/phys health)
- **Cards for kinship caregivers**
- Kids cards (no guardian signature)
- E cards for schools kids/deliveries to schools
- Narcan kits
- **Remove barriers to getting library card (access or opportunity cards -limited items i.e. computer use, transient patrons**
- Fine free
- Automatic renewals
- Police behavior that is not acceptable, not people. **With acceptable use policies (Watch perceptions, use consistency, homeless patron training)**
- Sensitive subjects poster for anonymous access
- Sensitive placement of materials at programs (confidentiality)
- Therapy dogs
### Q3: What changes can you make to library programming and collections that would support wellness and community development?

- Providing snacks for kids after school
- Make volunteer opportunities to create community/pride of ownership/vale/self esteem
- Libraries as role models/mentoring programs
- Discussion groups for teens (not comfortable in front of other adults)
- Have judge come to school, talk to kids. Become a real person to give advice on how to stay out of trouble.
- Book Bundles-Put on book mark to pull in kids, etc. Low key
- Resources for homeless/vets: find out who is doing what, what there is a lack of

**Host a health clinic**

- CPR, drug awareness classes
- Bullying classes, especially before school starts
- Catalog community resources-easily discoverable
- Host regular community meetings: Topical-Meet and Greet, senior care, multi-generational (parents/kids)

**Host Narcotics Anonymous (and other support groups) meetings on site**

- More robust collections of topics: Stress, trauma (explained more easily for kids)
- Emphasizing/encouraging resilience through programming) demo/role playing)
- Parenting class info provided-partner with local org.
- Custody issues/programs
- Speaker series-Teens/Sports stars/authors
- “Hidden in plain sight”-Hosted at library/community based

**Hiking trail/nature walk/weekly hike program**

**Combining fiction and relevant NF**

**Family programs (non-traditional), like popcorn and movie night**

**Teamwork through play**

### Q4: What potential connections can you make outside the library that would support the wellness of your community?

- **Chamber of Commerce/local businesses**
- **Connections between public and academic libraries**
- **Call/visit non-profits in area re: addiction/metal health/recovery**

- Go to local community center and bring kids to the library. Show they are welcome
- Encourage voter registration
- **Partnership with YMCA/YWCA for health and wellness programs**
- Partner with heart assoc.
- **Attend school orientations to share resources**
- Partner with Ohio Means Jobs (help w/applications, etc)

- Go to hospitals w/book van to share library resources
- Use honor system for outreach circulation at “onsite “places i.e cancer treatment/hospice wings
- Resources from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities
- Writing for local publications to bring attention to services

- Set up speaker series
- Partner with local orgs to provide meals
- **Hospitals-First aid, wellness, gym access**
- Health dept-wellness clinics
- **Local homeless shelters & substance abuse centers**
- **Police, fire, EMS—“touch a truck”**
- Nursing departments, pharmacy schools

- Free lunch programs
- **Local child care centers & preschools, Head Start**
- Service orgs: Kiwanis, Rotary
- **Reach out to neighboring communities and library systems**

- Collect resources and donations (clothes, food) for local groups and advertise with Black Friday
- **Tables at local fairs/festivals**
- **Local 5k “run for books”**
• Library resources in the community, at community events
• Outreach at rehab facilities
• Donated book drive
• Community dinners
• Programs of resilience and wellness
• Exercise courses as “wellness” branded events—Yoga, line dance, Zumba, walking groups
• Exercise bikes
• “Happy light” at lib & circulation
• Discussion about opioids—Create discussion, partners
• Alzheimer’s groups (hosting)
• Cancer survivors’ groups (hosting)
• Local counseling services at staff meetings (meeting patrons at place of need)
• Local middle school principal—“talking to teens”
• Exercise programs—Healthy cooking programs
• Community gardens
• Sticker votes for local charities as SRP prizes
• “kits” for nature walks, birdwatching, nature exploration
• Summer lunch programs
• Clubs for community: Staff initiates/catalyst. Library gives space/promotion/community facilitation
• Board buy-in for policy
• Bibliotherapy for adults (kits)
• Focus/programs of resiliency
• Life skills/“How to Adult” programs
• Info on your website/Create a libguide (Spotlight on health issues, directory of social service orgs.)
• Consult w/community (orgs and leaders)
• Have speakers who have overcome issues/substance abuse
• Community survey of needs
• Kids activities on snow days
• Spotlight staff hobbies

• Parks dept.
• Schools/ School counselor
• Suicide prevention
• Service orgs (Rotary, Kiwanis)
• Project DAWN
• Recovery groups
• Jobs and Family Services, social workers
• Churches/Faith-based groups
• Food banks and farmer’s markets
• Art centers
• Local officials/councils
• Parish nurse groups
• Assisted living/senior/aging orgs
• Yoga/tai chi/exercise groups
• Crafter/tai chi/exercise groups
• Art centers
• Attorneys
• Financial advisors
• Boys and Girls Clubs
• Therapy dogs
• ASPIRE GED prep
• ESL

*Items in bold were mentioned more than once at more than one event!