

# Community Conversation Starter



Daniel Boone  
Regional Library

WHAT'S YOUR WISH  
FOR OUR COMMUNITY?

We want to hear from you.

This packet offers a way for your group of family, friends or coworkers to let us know what you think would make our community a better place to live.

Just gather together, get comfortable, put on your wishing caps and take a few notes. We'll read what you have to say, and see if the library can help make your wishes come true as we develop our strategic plan.

**Please return your answers to us by Tuesday, February 28.**







Thanks so much for your time and interest in moving our community forward.



# THANK YOU

*for hosting a community conversation!*

Here are some tips on how to have a productive and fun wishing party.

-  Gather a group of 4 to 12 people.
-  Choose a comfortable gathering spot, whether in your living room or at a coffee shop.
-  Choose a leader to guide the conversation through the listed questions.
-  Encourage everyone to speak.
-  Allow about an hour to go through the open-ended questions.
-  Take detailed notes.

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OR Drop off in person at any of our library locations or bookmobile.



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# HELLO!

Group contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

If you'd like us to keep in contact with you, please share your email address:

\_\_\_\_\_

How many people are in your group? \_\_\_\_\_

Which county does your group primarily live in? ☐ Boone ☐ Callaway

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1

What do you value most about this community? What is it that makes you proud of your community? What are the strengths of our community?

And what do you value about the library? What are it's strengths?

# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

2

What are the challenges you see or concerns you have for this community?

And for the library?

3

What changes do you foresee in this community in the next five years?

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

4

What would make living in Mid-Missouri more enjoyable or satisfying for you?  
If you could wave a magic wand and transform this community, what change would you most want to see?

5

What would make using the library more enjoyable or satisfying for you?

# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Thinking about the last two questions, what do you think could be done to make a difference? What do you think changes in these areas might accomplish?

7

What do you think are the top priorities most important for us to keep in mind when we think about moving ahead on the library's strategic plan?