

## Interested in applying for Library Takeover?

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# LIBRARY TAKEOVER

MAKE *Your Idea Here* HAPPEN AT YOUR LIBRARY



What's *your* idea  
for a community  
event?

# Bring Your Idea to Life at the Library

Library Takeover is a program created to support communities to make their idea happen at the library! Teams of community members pitch event ideas they'd like to do at the Madison Public Library. A panel of volunteer reviewers picks up to three event ideas each year in the fall, and those ideas are supported with the following:



- **Funding for your team and your event**
- **Free space in the library to hold your event**
- **Event planning workshops to turn your ideas into action and meet with your team**
- **Guidance from experienced event organizers and mentors**

## Q: What type of events are you looking for?

A: We are looking for event ideas from community members who do not typically have access to resources for big community events. Specifically, no non-profits, for-profit businesses, institutions, or government agencies. Here are some details our reviewers will look for in applications:

- **Inclusivity** - that the event is widely inclusive, or elevates a specific underrepresented group
- **Community** - that attendees will feel a sense of community at the event
- **Impact** - there will be a transformative impact on those who attend the event

## Q: Who can participate?

A: Any group of 3-4 people who have an idea and are willing to attend four sessions to learn about event planning is welcome to apply. However, the entire team can't be associated with an existing institution like a school, a government agency, a for-profit business, or a non-profit organization.

## Q: What kind of event can I plan?

A: Anything that's free, open to the public, and inclusive will be considered. Events should be intended for adults. We encourage you to think outside the box!

## Q: I have a hard time getting my ideas down on paper. How can I get some assistance filling out the application?

A: Library staff at any Madison Public Library location can help fill out the application. Help may also be available through the Madison Writing Assistance program.