

THE SUMAS LIBRARY FRAMEWORK







For 2013, we plan to focus on:

Early Learning

- Connect with local area daycares and preschools to promote the Sumas Library Play & Learn and Summer Reading programs.
- Create a "destination" play area at Sumas Library using educational toys and activities to attract young patrons and their parents.

Advocacy

- Attend monthly chamber meetings to explore partnership opportunities with area businesses.
- Attend City Council Meeting quarterly to update the council on library accomplishments.
- Share library information and resources with participants and the Seeds of Hope community dinner each month.
- Connect with local businesses to recruit new distribution locations for library events flier.

Access

• Continue to evaluate open hours to determine what works best for the Sumas community.

Building Community

- Provide interesting and engaging adult programming monthly.
- Host English conversation "Talk Time" programs and technology-related skills classes (eReaders or computers).
- Explore interest and start local adult and teen book groups that meet at the Sumas Library.

CONNECTING INFORMATION, IDEAS, AND COMMUNITY

Recent Accomplishments!

- Teen space remodel with teen participation and the support of the Mt. Baker Rotary.
- Children's area was updated to be more kid friendly with a gift of support from the Mt. Baker Rotary.
- Preschool Storytime successfully transitioned to Play & Learn Storytime resulting in increased participation in the program.
- Hosted English conversation "Talk Time" programs as well as an average of one adult program each month.



- Extended open hours on Saturdays.
- Friends of the Sumas Library have been revitalized! This fun group supports programs and events, provides the local used book sale at the Sumas Community Center, and advocates for libraries and reading in Whatcom County. They meet monthly.

The **Sumas Public Library** staff and volunteers joyfully provide library service to the residents of the Sumas area as part of the Whatcom County Library System.

Whether choosing your next book, answering information and research questions, or connecting you to the online world, the library staff prides itself on making your library visit, in person or virtual, a positive and successful experience.

The library offers books (including eBooks!) magazines, movies, audiobooks, newspapers, music, great events, WiFi, computers/internet, help with research, and more for all ages. If you don't see what you want, just ask -- we'll get it for you!

Whatcom County Library System's
Sumas Public Library
451 2nd Street, Sumas, WA 98295
360-988-2501

Sumas Public Library Hours

Monday & Wednesday 12 - 7:30

Saturday 10 - 4

Online at www.WCLS.org