

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Those words from author Helen Keller perfectly sum up the Louisville Library Foundation's campaign to raise \$3.8 million of the \$17.8 million that was needed to build the new Northeast Regional Library, which opened to the public on June 24.

Together, the Louisville Free Public Library's vision of creating world-class facilities, the Library Foundation's management of a capital campaign, and the community's willingness to provide financial support resulted in this amazing addition to Louisville's library resources. Not one of those entities could have accomplished the task alone.

Campaign funds provided books, furnishings, and technology to complement \$14 million in construction funds from Louisville Metro Government and the State of Kentucky. The Northeast Regional Library will bring resources for education, cultural entertainment, and lifelong learning to an area of Louisville in which the demand for library resources had outstripped its resources.

The public has responded exuberantly! During the first week alone, there were 9,736 visitors to the Northeast Regional Library and 382 people – children and adults – attended programs there. Also during that first week, 23,504 books and other resources were checked out. Clearly the community is enjoying its new library.

Special thanks go to the Foundation's capital campaign committee, led by businessman and philanthropist Stephen C. Gault. Steve's dedication to the cause and his indomitable spirit carried the campaign's energy right through to the last dollar raised. His work was rewarded with a proclamation from the city, delivered by Mayor Greg Fischer.

Our biggest thanks go to the 85 donors including individuals, businesses, and foundations who made 103 gifts ranging in size from \$50 to \$500,000. The City of Lyndon's contribution to the campaign was invaluable, helping ensure that 124,000 books and other materials would be on the shelves by opening day. A complete list of donors appears below. To all of them, we say: **Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for working together with us to make the Campaign for the Northeast Regional Library a success!**



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