



FIVE KEY TAKEAWAYS

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THE HYPERLINKED LIBRARY

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GET CREATIVE WITH LIBRARY SPACES

Libraries aren't just big, silent buildings that house books. They are community spaces and "third spaces". We need to get creative and optimize our space. There can be learning, meeting, and performative spaces... and more!

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GOING FINE FREE

Overdue fines can cause library anxiety and make people feel like they aren't welcome to come back. Going fine free allows past library users to feel comfortable coming back and new library users to be more willing to get a library card. Public libraries shouldn't be turning people away. The more we can say "yes", the better.

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TECH TECH TECH

Bring new tech to the libraries! There are ways to incorporate many exciting, new tech gadgets to libraries including makerspaces, AI, and VR. My inspiration report was about bringing podcasting to libraries and I learned so much through that assignment!

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EVERYONE HAS A STORY

Find ways for these stories to flourish at libraries. Human Libraries are a great example. Stories can expand minds, keep the past alive, and foster a sense of togetherness.

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THE ♥ OF LIBRARIES

Last but not least, my favorite takeaway. Libraries should lead with kindness, equality, diversity, inclusion, compassion, empathy, and most importantly... **HEART**. Get to know your community. Show them that they are welcome through having diverse collections and programs. Think about accessibility. Use inclusive language. **Libraries are for everyone.**

