Staff / Board Writing Prompts

If you're looking for inspiration, you may choose from the following prompts. They are meant to help guide your story, but feel free to share any library experience that resonates with you:

Prompts for library staff:

Patron's Journey

Share the story of a patron whose journey at the library has inspired you. How has their relationship with the library evolved over time?

Unexpected Lesson

Reflect on a surprising lesson you've learned from working at the library. How has it shaped your perspective on your role or the community?

Power of Libraries

Think of a patron or event that left a lasting impression on you. How did this experience reaffirm your belief in the power of libraries?

Connections

Write about a time when the library brought people together in a meaningful way. What did this teach you about the power of libraries?

Inspiring Patron

Tell us about a patron who has inspired you with their resilience, creativity, or dedication to learning. How has their story influenced your work or worldview?

Personal Transformation

Reflect on how working at the library has transformed you personally. What skills, insights, or relationships have you gained that you didn't expect?

Prompts for board members:

Community Impact

Reflect on a moment when you realized how the library positively impacted the community. What event or initiative stands out in your mind?

Evolving Needs

How has the library adapted to meet the changing needs of the community during your time on the board? Share an example that highlights this evolution.

Unexpected Insights

As a board member, what unexpected insights or lessons have you learned about the role of libraries in today's society? How did this change your view?

Advocacy Moment

Tell us about a time when you advocated for the library and saw a direct result in your community. How did this experience affirm the importance of your role for advocacy?

Personal Connection

Think of a personal connection you've made with a patron or staff member through your work on the board. How has this relationship deepened your understanding of the library's role?

Proud Accomplishment

Share a project or decision you're most proud of during your time on the library board. How has it shaped the library's future or enhanced its services?