



The Summer Reading at New York Libraries statewide program is pleased to work with public and school libraries to help millions of New York state children and teens interested in reading and learning during the Summer months, but we could not do it alone. Check out the many partners who help to support us in our mission.

**Partners:**

**Hunger Solutions New York**

Hunger Solutions New York, established in 1985 as the Nutrition Consortium of New York State, is a caring and informed voice for hungry New Yorkers.



They strive to maximize participation in, and support for, federally funded nutrition assistance programs, including the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program, the Summer Food Service Program, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), and the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

**Talking Book and Braille Library**

The New York State Talking Book and Braille Library (TBBL) is a free library service for eligible residents of upstate New York who are unable to use standard print materials due to a visual, physical, or reading disability.



Materials are mailed to and from library patrons at their homes at no charge. Books can also be downloaded directly to a tablet or smartphone.

For downstate users interested in similar services provided by the Talking Book and Braille Library, they can use the Andrew Heiskell Braille and Talking Book Library. The Andrew Heiskell Library provides talking books and magazines and braille for people who are blind, visually impaired, or are otherwise physically unable to read standard print. The library serves residents who live in New York City and Long Island.



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Public  
**Library**

**New York State Senate**

The New York State Senate is the upper house of the New York State Legislature. Its sixty-three members represent New York State and its more than 20 million residents. Throughout the Summer, participating New York State Senators encourage students in their community to continue staying active and reading.



### **New York State Assembly**

The New York State Assembly is the lower house of the New York State Legislature. There are 150 members in the Assembly representing New York State's 20 million residents. Participating Assembly members sponsor a district-wide Summer Reading Challenge to inspire kids to read on a regular basis throughout the summer break and combat "summer slide."



### **New York State 4-H**

4-H Youth Development is part of Cornell Cooperative Extension. CCE research shows that New York youth credit their 4-H clubs with making them better citizens, leaders, and communicators. NYS 4-H has projects and activities that complement the public library summer reading program. They were developed with 4-H's non-formal, fun, and active approach to science and are designed for non-scientists to lead.



### **New York State Museum**

Located in Albany, NY, the New York State Museum offers educational opportunities for learners of all ages and abilities. Through museum programming and online educational resources, children, families, educators, and students can experience the art, science, and history of New York State in a fun and engaging way.



### **New York State Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs**

The New York State Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc. has served more than 134,504 youth at 126 club sites in 52 cities. Their mission is to enable all young people, especially those most in need to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. They help make sure all club members are on track to graduate from high school with a plan for the future, demonstrating good character and citizenship, and living a healthy lifestyle.



### **The National Library of Medicine**

The National Library of Medicine is the world's largest biomedical library and a leader in research in computational health informatics. Every day, millions of scientists, health professionals, and members of the public from around the world use NLM's online information resources to translate research results into new treatments, develop new products, inform clinical decision-making, and improve public health. In addition, NLM leads research and research training in biomedical informatics, information science, and data science. Its vibrant intramural and extramural research programs conduct and support research and training in institutions across the United States.



### **The New York Council for the Humanities**

The New York Council for the Humanities is a non-profit organization that provides leadership and support across the state's intellectual and cultural sectors through grants, programs, networking, and advocacy to encourage critical thinking and cultural understanding. Through the Communities Conversations program, The New York Council for the Humanities provides libraries, public schools, and other tax-exempt organizations with the resources and training to bring together locals of all ages to engage in thoughtful dialogue over central themes in American life.

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### **The New York State Reading Association**

The New York State Reading Association (NYSRA) is an all-inclusive volunteer organization of 1,300 members who are passionate about literacy. They share and support efforts to improve literacy education for people of all ages on local, state and global levels. The Board of the NYSRA encourages local councils to connect with their individual public libraries. NYSRA welcomes classroom teachers, librarians, reading specialists, parents, college educators, and researchers to join as members of our organization.



### **Unbridled Thoroughbred Foundation**

Unbridled Thoroughbred Foundation protects horses from exploitation, suffering, and slaughter. Through advocacy, education, direct care, and public policy, members of the Unbridled Thoroughbred Foundation seek to support a new ethical perspective towards horses to ensure that they are appreciated, respected, and valued on the basis of their inherent worth throughout their natural life span.



For additional information about Summer Reading partner organizations, please visit the New York State Library [Summer Reading Great Partners](#) page.

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