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Brockville, ON –The community’s vision for the Children’s Room at the Brockville Public Library becomes reality!

The Brockville Public Library Board and staff are thrilled to announce that the Children’s Room makeover project will be fast-tracked to completion with significant funding from the Rotary Club and the City of Brockville. Community support for this project was evident during 18 months of Library fundraising initiatives. We are most appreciative of the generous donations received from the public and other organizations such as The May Court Club, the Ross McNeil Foundation and the Friends of the Brockville Public Library.

The planning for this project began in 2013 as a result a comprehensive community engagement survey. Analysis of the community’s feedback led to the Library’s current Strategic Plan.

‘Transform Your Library Spaces’ emerged as the number one strategic priority. Specifically, people said:

- *“The children’s section will need to be updated and perhaps expanded.”*
- *“I feel like our library is in need of some more modern renovations.”*
- *“The children’s section of picture books needs to be more spread out.”*

The Children’s Room was selected as the first project in our space rejuvenation plans. Children and families are the heart and soul of public library life. The refreshed and rejuvenated space will highlight the book and toy resources while also becoming flexible through the addition of mobile shelving and furnishings for enhanced programming and accessibility.

The Brockville Public Library’s mission statement is: “A welcoming, resourceful environment open for everyone to explore, learn, create and share.” Two of the four Rotary Club’s principles are: ‘Is it beneficial to all?’ and ‘Will it build goodwill and better friendships?’ The City of Brockville’s strategic priorities include a Family Focus and Amenities. The Library Children’s Room Project is a perfect fit with the goals of each stakeholder. Most importantly it is for the children and families of the community.

For more information and/or providing welcome input into this exciting project, please contact Linda at linda@brockvillelibrary.ca or 613-342-3936 ext. 27.

Visit our website at www.brockvillelibrary.ca to see the plans for the Children’s Room.