# Matching Grant Proposal by McKay Lenker

#### Proposal Project: Community Toy Library

I would like to use the funds for this grant to create a toy library on the park strip by my house.

Similar to a Little Free Library, this library will be available to the public 24/7 to trade and donate toys.



Example

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## Design and Installation

The toy library will be created from a repurposed cabinet and updated with doors and a roof. It will be painted and sealed with a protective finish. The library will be attached to a post that will be anchored into the ground with cement.

The neighborhood matching grant would help cover the costs of materials and many volunteer hours.



## What opportunity will this project address?

This project will engage neighbors and families by providing a community spot where anyone can take and leave toys.

It creates an opportunity for low income families to have access to new toys.

The Toy Library could become a destination for families out on walks who would be more likely to cross paths with other families!



# What will make the project successful?

Once the Toy Library is built, decorated, and installed it is self sufficient.

I will oversee the maintenance and monthly cleaning of the library and will also organize other volunteers to help.

I also plan to put up posters and graphics to advertise the library so the neighborhood knows about it.



#### Other Details:

Cost of supplies (estimate): \$200

Volunteer Hours:  $30 \times $15 = $450$ 

Total: \$650

Timeline: About 1 month total

Build/find base and attach doors: 1 week

Paint and seal library: 1 week

Add roof: 1 week

Print, laminate, and install instructions: 1 day

Install with cement in park strip: 1 week

