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For Immediate Release:

Library seeks community input at public forums

Catawba County Library System seeks your input for a comprehensive strategic planning process to include three public forums in coming weeks.

The meetings are scheduled as follows:

Monday, Nov. 17 at Sherrills Ford Elementary School Media Center

Wednesday, Nov. 19 at Fred T. Foard High School Media Center

Monday, Dec. 1 at Adrian Shuford YMCA Community Center, Conover

Each session will begin at 6 pm and is expected to last approximately an hour.

“Getting broad input from the community is extremely important for shaping the future of our library system,” said Suzanne White, library director. “Part of that process involves face-to-face communications. The idea is to gather as much input as possible.”

Catawba County Library System has engaged the services of Dr. Anthony Chow with Strategic Performance Systems and UNC at Greensboro to guide the process that includes focus groups as well as paper and on-line surveys.

The library’s strategic planning project is supported by grant funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the federal Library Services and Technology Act, as administered by the State Library of North Carolina, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Catawba County Library, headquartered in Newton, operates facilities there as well as in Conover, Claremont, Maiden, Sherrills Ford-Terrell, St. Stephens and Southwest (Mountain View).



About: *The Catawba County Library System, headquartered in Newton, NC, serves the citizens of Catawba County with seven branches throughout the county and is a year-round, integral provider of early literacy and lifelong learning. In addition to traditional services, the system provides a full complement of computer and digital services, classes and support to bridge the digital divide, empower job seekers, and enhance community quality of life and economic health.*