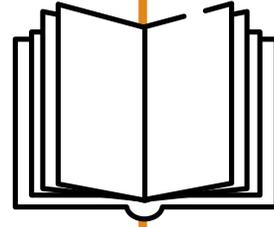




LIBRARY WELCOME GUIDE

STARTING YOUR LBL



TURNING A MOMENT INTO A MOVEMENT

Welcome to the Little Black Library Team!

Our organization's mission is to promote thoughtful conversations on the Black experience and antiracism through increased access to literature and community-based engagement. By bringing a Little Black Library to your institution, you are helping us accomplish this goal! So first off, thank you!

Here's the materials you'll need to start your LBL:

- 150 to 200 bookmarks
- 150 to 200 of LBL Spine Stickers
- Display Banner
- Link to LBL Catalog - see QR code below
- Library Poster
- Promotional Guide

MATERIALS FOR STARTING AN LBL

- 01** *Welcome Letter*
- 02** *Stickers*
- 03** *Bookmarks*
- 04** *Display Banner*
- 05** *LBL Catalog*
- 06** *Library Poster*
- 07** *Promotional Guide*

SETTING UP YOUR LITTLE BLACK LIBRARY



1. To begin setting up your display, use this QR code to access our growing list of all the books in our collection. You can download a CSV file at the top or bottom of the Airtable. From this list, choose which titles to pull from your collection into a new physical location or order for your Little Black Library. We recommend starting with 30 books!

2. Once you pull the books, we encourage your library's technical department to add the [LBL stickers](#) to the spine of your books (this has helped other libraries achieve uniformity within the collection, and made it easier to recognize which materials should be shelved in your Little Black Library section).

3. Place a [bookmark](#) inside each book. This provides patrons with more information once they leave the library with their checked-out book! Patrons will be able to engage in the broader community of readers and libraries through future events and conversations.

4. Other libraries have found it useful to make each book's "home location" in the circulation system "Little Black Library" rather than Non-Fiction, Biography, Picture Books, etc. **This step in the process isn't required, but it may be helpful, depending on the daily operations of your library.**

5. Now, it's time to set up your display! We've provided a [banner](#) and a [poster](#) that we encourage you to integrate into your display. Other than that, we give you complete creative freedom!

Thank you for participating in our movement to bring content on the Black experience and antiracism to communities across the country. Please share your LBL display and feel free to contact our team if you have questions or concerns. We hope your patrons enjoy it!

Sincerely,
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Once you've finished your display, we'd love to see it. Upload your photos to social media!

Tag us on Instagram
[@littleblacklib](https://www.instagram.com/littleblacklib)

OR

Email us at
littleblacklibraries@gmail.com