The Haywood County Public Library provides programming opportunities for personal growth, learning and entertainment for people of all ages and backgrounds. Programming is an essential part of library services and serves to:

Bring the community together
Foster lifelong learning
Introduce both library users and non-users to library resources
Expand the visibility of the library
Provide recreational opportunities

Programming is generated both internally by library staff using library resources and in partnership with other agencies, organizations, and educational institutions or individual experts.

The following is considered by library staff when selecting program topics, speakers and formats: community interests and needs, presenter qualifications, presentation quality and treatment of content, educational significance, and budget.

Library program presenters who are affiliates of commercial enterprises may provide general knowledge without direct promotion of a business resulting in potential profit.

The only items that may be sold to the public at library programs are books, recordings, or works of art created by presenters.

Acceptance of a program does not constitute endorsement by the library of the presenter’s policies or beliefs.

The library will provide off-site outreach programming to insure equity of access when possible. These programs could include story times at preschools or presentations to community groups for the purpose of providing or promoting library services.

All library programs are open to the general public and free to attend. Registration may be required for planning or when space and/or budget are limited. The library reserves the right to set age recommendations for programs. The library reserves the right to cancel a program.

Any member of the community may suggest program topics or presenters by speaking to a librarian in charge of programming.

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