



IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL 4-10: National Library Week

APRIL 6: National Library Workers Day

SEPTEMBER: Library Card Sign-up Month

OCTOBER 17-23: National Friends of Libraries Week

TO BE ANNOUNCED: FOTL 2021 Annual Meeting



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FRIENDS OF TENNESSEE LIBRARIES

WHAT WE DO

Founded in 1992, Friends of Tennessee Libraries (FOTL), a 501(c)(3) organization, is a **network of volunteers**.

- We **promote** libraries and their Friends.
- We **support** libraries and their Friends.
- We **advocate** for funding for libraries on a local, state, and national basis.
- We **work together** to build a strong, supportive network of citizens promoting **the value of libraries as institutions essential to democracy**.

HOW WE DO IT

- We **communicate** with our network of local groups through our newsletters, website, Facebook page, and member Listserv.
- We **support** existing groups as they represent their libraries to their local communities and raise public awareness of Tennessee libraries and their services.
- We **assist** with the revitalization of existing groups and establishment of new groups to support their local libraries.
- We **educate** by offering workshops and other resources to strengthen local groups.

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

“A library is a place that is a repository of information and gives every citizen equal access to it. That includes health information. And mental health information. It’s a community space. It’s a place of safety, a haven from the world.”

Neil Gaiman

Author, comic book creator, screenwriter, and voice actor