

StoryWalk® displays combine a walk in the park with reading

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Books in Parks? What a novel idea! A walk in the park has taken on new meaning in Mecklenburg County with the Library's first StoryWalks® display to kick off Monday, September 25 in Independence Park at 10 a.m.

What is a StoryWalk®?

- An innovative and delightful way for children –and adults– to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time!
- Laminated pages from a children’s picture book are installed along an outdoor path and attached to a special display post.
- As you stroll down the trail, you’re directed to the next page in the story.
- A great way to practice Active Reading techniques with young children!
- At the end of the story, we hope you will share your experience at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/cmibrarystorywalk>

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library received LSTA funds for three StoryWalks® during fiscal year 2018. The Library will place these StoryWalks® in three central Charlotte parks aiming to reach families living in the community's book deserts.

The StoryWalk project ties to the Library's lead role in providing Active Reading training and literacy experiences to more than 2000 families in FY 2018, and is one outreach strategy for increasing the number of children in Mecklenburg County on reading grade level at the end of third grade by 2025.

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