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Gifts to Library Foundation—big and small—make lasting impact

Tom Jones admits he's been blessed with more than he needs. Now retired from a 25-year career in the Legal Division of Procter & Gamble, he deeply believes it's his obligation to give back.

“As part of my legacy, I want to help make a positive contribution to causes and organizations I think add a meaningful benefit to our community,” says Jones.

One of those organizations is The Library Foundation—an independent 501(c)3 that raises philanthropic funds for the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. Jones made a planned gift of approximately \$1 million to the Foundation that will support programming and projects focused on our community's most vulnerable citizens. In recognition of his generous contribution, The Library Foundation has established the Thomas W. Jones Executive Director position.



“Libraries are the great equalizers in our society,” Jones says. “The vast amount of information they contain and the services they perform are available equally to everyone, the richest and the poorest, the oldest and the youngest. Thanks to libraries, our history, our literature, our arts, our science is available to everyone on equal footing.”

While not everyone can give in such a big way, Jones believes even the smallest contributions can make a lasting impact and encourages everyone to do what they can. “We must continue to make library services and resources available to all,” says Jones. “We benefit as individuals. We benefit as a city. We benefit as a society.”

The Library Foundation is dedicated to ensuring a great Library system by raising, managing and allocating funds to expand and enhance the collections, programs and services of the Library. For more information and to donate, visit Foundation.CincinnatiLibrary.org.

About The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County

The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County is one of the oldest, largest, and busiest libraries in the United States, serving a population of over 800,000 with a collection of more than 9 million items. In support of its mission of connecting people with the world of ideas and information, the Library also offers a wide variety of services and more than 20,000 free programs each year. For more information, visit CincinnatiLibrary.org.

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