Public Library launches Quilts for a Cause project to help community come together

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CINCINNATI — The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County is putting a call out to everyone in the Greater Cincinnati area to join together (while apart) in Quilts for a Cause, a special project to represent how as a community we can weather any crisis that comes our way.

Anyone can participate in Quilts for a Cause, be they a proficient quilter or a crafter with felt and sequins, and the final result will be a quilt(s) the Library Foundation of Cincinnati and Hamilton County can auction off to benefit critical Library services and programs, like Homework Help and summer learning activities for youth.

“I am beyond excited for this county-wide project. It opens up a great opportunity for customers to participate in an activity at home and offers a sense of community even though we are physically distant,” said Lesleigh Chumbley, Loveland Branch Manager. “By creating a quilt square we are able to come together remotely sharing our creativity and support with one another during this unprecedented time.”

Instructions for how to participate, as well as tutorials and guides for beginners, can be found at blog.cincinnatilibrary.org/Blog/quiltsforacause. The Library is asking participants to post photos of their squares on social media with the tag #QuiltsForACause.

“I look forward to seeing the different materials that will be used for this project. It's nice to have an activity where everyone is included no matter their skill set,” said Chumbley. She also added that the Loveland Quilt Show at the branch, normally held in the spring, is being rescheduled for a later time to be determined.

Quilt questions? Contact Lesleigh Chumbley at 513-369-4476 or leigh.chumbley@cincinnatilibrary.org.

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