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Ellis A. Gimbel Trust awards Hartford Public Library Grant for One Book One Hartford

Hartford, Connecticut (October 22, 2013) — Hartford Public Library is pleased to announce a grant award from the Ellis A. Gimbel Trust to fund [One Book One Hartford](#) programs at the Albany Branch in partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford. To further enhance the branch’s technical capabilities for events of this nature, this grant will fund the purchase of a Smart Board, 20 Kindles and a safe charging station as well as e-copies and hardcopies of books for future facilitated book discussions.

One Book One Hartford brings our richly diverse city together around a good book. Reading challenges us to think about ourselves, our environment and our relationships; talking about literature can add depth and breadth to this experience. This year, the One Book One Hartford author is Angela Johnson, and her book “A Certain October.” Ms. Johnson’s book is a young adult story that explores tragic and sudden loss and the ensuing grieving process from a teen’s perspective. The Library is undertaking a targeted program campaign directed at the city’s teen community in collaboration with community partners whose focus is on youth.

About [Hartford Public Library](#)

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations and a Library-on-Wheels in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 860,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Visit hplct.org and the library’s new blog at blogs.hplct.org

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