

An Unfolding Story



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Not long ago, many of Hartford's preschoolers didn't have the opportunities they needed to get ready for kindergarten.

Some children didn't know how
to count or recognize colors and
they were not prepared to begin learning
when they started kindergarten.





Hartford Public Library

had already begun helping some of these
young children and their parents and caregivers,
but the need was even greater.

So, the Library brought together

parents, caregivers and community friends
who wanted to help give young children
the right way to start learning.





During those meetings and conversations,

the Library saw that in bringing people together
there would be a way forward.

Community supporters with the passion
and potential to help children
and their families could work together, and the
right kind of help could be put into place.

Today, the Library is a place for

learning and education in the community, serving

Hartford's families, teachers and childcare

professionals. At all library locations,

children and their families are getting

the critical early learning support they need.





Thanks to the help of the community
and people like you, Hartford's youngest
children are getting the right start on learning,
and they will enter kindergarten with the skills
they need to succeed and move ahead.
What could be more important than that?

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