

To the Editor,

I'm a parent and a Stark County resident. When my children went to kindergarten they were prepared. I contribute this to the books, resources and programs available through Stark Library.

Storytime introduced a love of books and reading. Playdates created friendships and social skills. Art Club taught motor skills and creative thinking. My children learned invaluable skills because educational resources are available and accessible to families like mine.

In 2025, Storytime saw over 14,600 people, including pre-school aged children and their parents, grandparents, or caretakers. Over 42,000 people attended Stark Library programs and events. As a Dolly Parton Imagination Library program partner, Stark Library mailed 162,850 free books to 13,564 children across Stark County.

Stark Library's impact on Stark County families and children is massive. If Issue 4 does not pass, that could all go away. There are too many families and children who rely on these programs and resources to allow that to happen.

I've seen the positive effects of Stark Library for my family and in my community.

Please join me in voting FOR Issue 4.

Sincerely,

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ISSUE 4**