

Summer at NHR = Reading and FUN!



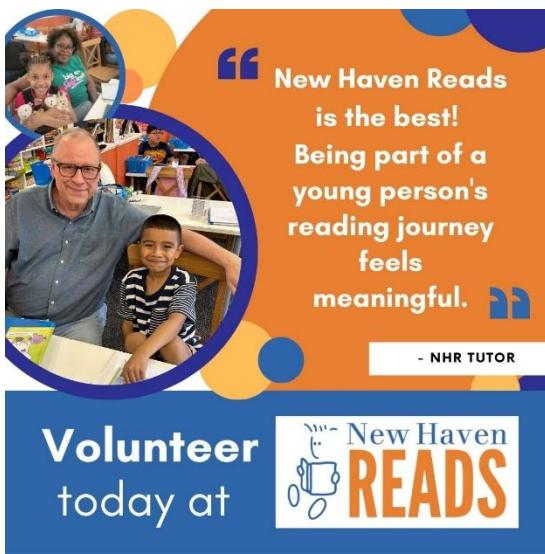
With over 200 students at three locations, the NHR summer session built on the progress made by our students in the school year. Summer at NHR is full of energy and smiles!

Students attended their regular one-on-one tutoring program and have the opportunity to participate in enrichment clubs to follow a passion or explore something new. The traditionally popular clubs were back, including math (yes, really!), chess, and arts and crafts. Students could also choose from a broad range of other clubs including Dinosaur Club, STEM

Experiments, and Marine Biology. Everyone took books home to build their own libraries. We offered free field trips for families on the weekends including kayaking, a Thimble Island cruise, and a visit to the Norwalk Aquarium thanks to a grant from the Woman's Seamen's Friend Society of CT.

Sixteen of our youngest students attended our daily Kindergarten Camp for the month of July. They had a great time building their foundational literacy skills and enjoyed an author visit from Deborah Freedman and programs from the Peabody Museum and Mystic Aquarium.

Thank you - our summer session is successful because of your incredible support. We value our community partners who help ensure our students have great programming and opportunities. Huge thanks go out to our summer interns and fellows, to our summer volunteers for all they do, to our students for their hard work, and to our families for their dedication in supporting their children's literacy journeys. We are excited for the school year ahead!



Volunteer today at

New Haven READS

Do you have 1 hour a week to be a volunteer tutor?

Student registration is live!
Help us ensure there is a volunteer for every student in our program from the start of the year.
Visit our website for more information:
www.newhavenreads.org

Our newest 6th location is ready for the new school year!



Our pilot program at Elm City Communities is underway! We are very excited about our new, sixth NHR site at one of the Housing Authority locations. One of our goals is to increase access to our programs. This is a tremendous partnership to support students right where they live. After a successful summer, we look forward to growing this program in the school year. This initiative is generously funded by a grant from the **Steven and Alexandra Cohen Foundation**.

Summer Assignment: Distribute thousands of books to build home libraries.

The NHR team has been out and about all summer sharing the joy and power of reading!

NHR participated in several local events with community partners including the recent New Haven Public Schools' Back to School Rally where we distributed almost 800 books to attending students.

Perhaps you saw us at local farmers' markets or festivals? Our recent Teacher Open House at our Book Bank provided hundreds of free books for local teachers to set up their classrooms.



Did you know that August is “National Make a Will Month”?



Including a gift to New Haven Reads in your estate plan enables you to support our mission and build a community of readers in our region for many years to come.

There are multiple ways you can include New Haven Reads in your estate planning, including making a Bequest to New Haven Reads in your Will or Revocable Living Trust. It is important that you discuss your plans with your attorney, financial advisor, and/or tax advisor. If you choose to include New Haven Reads in your estate plans, please be sure to use our exact legal name, which is The New Haven Reads Community Book Bank, Inc., and our Employer Identification Number (EIN), which is 76-0807330.



Hayley Herrington



Jo-Ann Williams

A decade of outstanding contributions!

Two of our amazing staff are celebrating a decade of impact with NHR:

Our Education Director, Hayley Herrington, and our Office Manager, Jo-Ann Williams. We are so grateful to have their professional excellence and tremendous commitment to our mission helping us to share the joy and power of reading with our community.

Be sure to congratulate Hayley and Jo-Ann if you happen to see them during your next visit to NHR!



Intern Spotlight: Kira K.!



“Whether it’s helping a child sound out a new word, finish a book for the first time, or feel confident enough to ask a question, every moment has felt meaningful.”

Kira Kiraly was looking for a way to make a difference this summer and loved her internship at our Science Park location.

Her internship included tutoring, running enrichment clubs, and supporting administrative projects. In her clubs, Kira particularly noted how students made progress both

academically *and* socially. She loved how they collaborated, formed friendships, and built self-confidence in their club projects. This fall, Kira will return to UCONN where she majors in psychology but we were glad to hear that she spent the summer smiling!

NHR Summer Numbers

Provided one-on-one tutoring enrichment clubs, and camp for **219** students at **4** locations for **over 522 hours of** programs weekly.

Thank you to over **150** volunteers who support our students every week!

Supported **16** Kindergarten students with a daily literacy camp for **4** weeks.

In July, we distributed over **6,726** books to build home libraries.



Thank you to everyone who supports
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