

One Book

One  MARKHAM

Using literature to bring
Markham's communities together to
image **learn** and **grow**

what is 'One Book'?

Connecting
community
through
literature



We asked City of Markham residents
how reading programs
benefit the community.
They said...

“We are all linked
together.”

“A culture of literature
keeps a satisfied
culture of humanity.”

- Tamara

“It brings everyone together”

- Kimia

“It gives joy to many”

- Michelle

overview

Powerful
works
bring us
alternative
perspectives



“Great friendships plus books!”

- Heather

“Educates and stimulates the imagination”

- Cheiml

“Brings top-level Canadian
talent.”

“Reading
is an integral part of
living”

- M. Barley

Learning
and growing
become a
group experience

benefits



“I love books”

- Xin-Yi

“Books give us a portal to
other worlds, increasing
tolerance and shared
experiences.”

• Cindy

“I’ve never been in a
book club
and would love one in my
community.”

- Namey

“I love books.”

- June

“Ditto!”

- Nita

involving community

Thornhill Seniors Centre Volunteers



“It opens up many worlds!”

- Marion Pravk

“Lots of people
love to read
books.”

- Alice

“Reading programs
help us be more
creative!”

- Justin

community involvement



Marilyn Aspevig (MPL Board), Alfred Kam (MPL Board), MPL Board Vice-Chair Justin Hung, MPL CEO Catherine Biss, Regional Councilor Gordon Landon, Councilor Howard Shore, Councilor Alan Ho, Leah Rucchetto (MPL) Markham Arts Council Chair Nirmala Singh, Councilor Valerie Burke

“An imaginative community
is a strong community.”

- Adam T.

“...a literate society is
a better society
for us all!

- Jane

“Reading programs
enrich
us all!

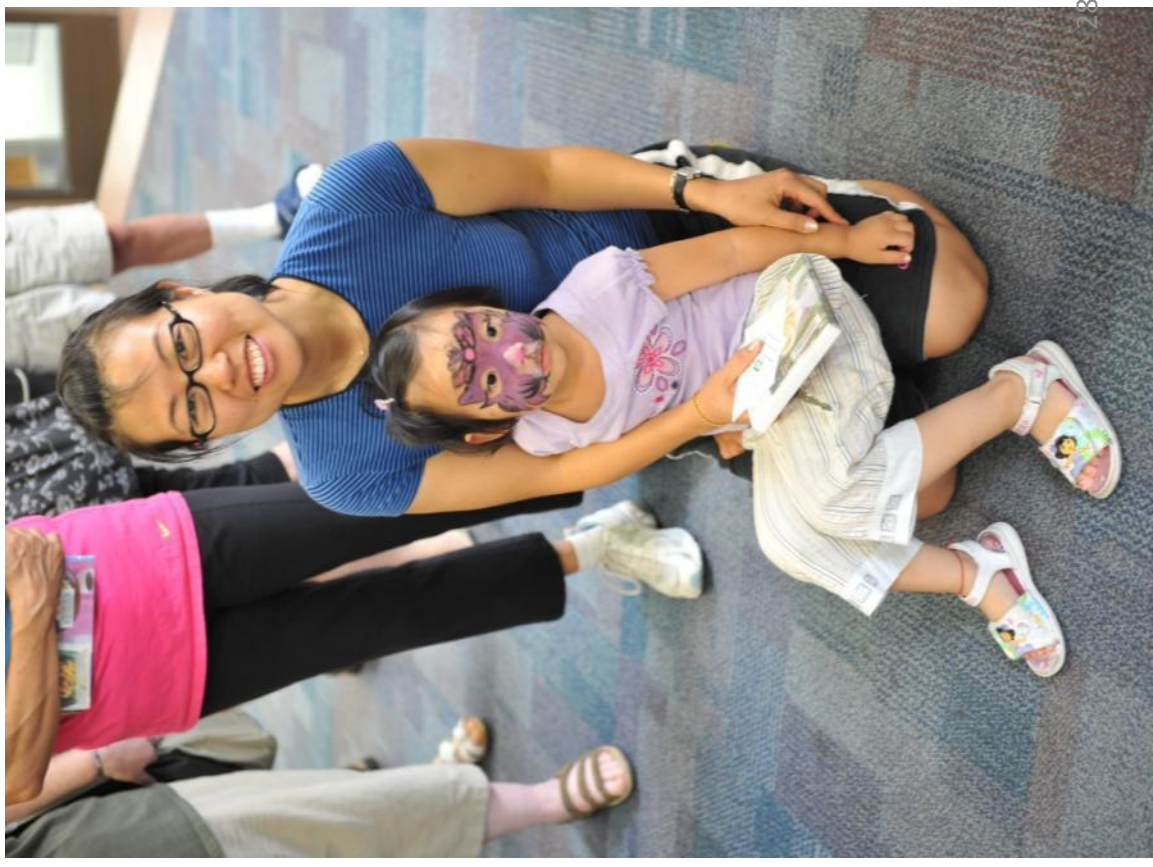
- Marilyn

“It brings us lots of
excitement!”

- Wendy

community involvement

Laughs
literature
and learning



“Always a great read.
Thank you Markham.”

- Barb

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is only the
beginning!

