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### **RIBBON CUTTING FOR AKRON MUNICIPAL COURT'S LITTLE FREE LIBRARY TO TAKE PLACE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

**Akron, Ohio, September 10, 2020** – The Akron Municipal Court has installed a Little Free Library book sharing box in front of the Harold K. Stubbs Justice Center on High Street in Downtown Akron. The project was fully funded with a generous donation from the Akron Host Lions Club. A formal ribbon cutting will take place rain or shine on Friday, September 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Little Free Library book sharing boxes promote literacy while increasing access to books for readers of all ages and backgrounds. Individuals can donate new or used books by placing them in the book sharing box and books can be taken from the box at no cost.

“Having a Little Free Library outside our building will encourage a love of reading and education for people of all ages,” said Akron Municipal Court Administrative/Presiding Judge Nicole Walker. “The Little Free Library is one of the many ways we serve our community in an innovative fashion. We are grateful for the Akron Host Lions Club and those who have donated materials already.”

“We are thrilled to be a part of this endeavor,” said Akron Host Lions Club President Nancy Null and Akron Host Lions Club Secretary James Stein. “This project will serve others in Akron in a unique way and it certainly aligns with our mission.”

Members of the press and public are welcome to attend to the ribbon cutting which will take place at 217 South High Street in Downtown Akron on Friday, September 18 at 1:00 p.m. Any questions related to the ribbon cutting should be directed to the Court’s Community Outreach and Grants Coordinator Nicole Hagy at (330) 375-2186 or [NHagy@akronohio.gov](mailto:NHagy@akronohio.gov).

Akron Municipal Court Magistrate Kani Hightower and Akron Host Lions Club Secretary James Stein will perform the cutting of the ribbon.

Groups that wish to donate large amounts of books that will not fit in the book sharing box can also contact Nicole Hagy directly to arrange for a socially distant drop-off.

The event will take place outdoors and attendees will be required to wear facial coverings. Social distancing will take place to ensure the safety of all attendees.

Learn more about Little Free Library’s concept by visiting <https://www.littlefreelibrary.org/about/>.

*The Akron Municipal Court serves the cities of Akron and Fairlawn; the townships of Bath, Richfield and Springfield; the Villages of Lakemore and Richfield; and that part of Mogadore in Summit County, Ohio. For more information about Akron Municipal Court services and programs, please visit: <https://www.akronmunicipalcourt.org>.*