Get Kindergarten Ready at OC Public Libraries
Books About Community

**Anywhere Farm** by Phyllis Root (2017). A fun, rhyming story about the joys of a community garden. XFICP ROOT P

**City Shapes** by Diana Murray (2016). A young girl journeys through her neighborhood and notices shapes in surprising places. MURRAY D

**Construction** by Sally Sutton (2014). Visit a construction site as a new library is built. A fun read aloud with lots of sound words. XFICP LLENAS A

**Every Night is Pizza Night** by J. Kenji López-Alt (2020). A child takes a trip through the neighborhood to try out the many foods on offer. XFICP LOPEZ-ALT J

**Helpers in Your Neighborhood** by Shira Evans (2018). A simple, non-fiction exploration of community helpers. XP 363.10023 EVA

**Here Come the Helpers** by Leslie Kimmelman (2018). Cute illustrations abound in this search-and-find story with various community helper vehicles on each page. XFICP KIMMELMAN L

**Hey, Wall: A Story of Art and Community** by Grace Susan Verde. A community comes together to transform a drab wall into something beautiful. XFICP VERDE S

**Hooray for Helpers!: First Responders and More Heroes in Action** by Mike Austin (2018). A vividly illustrated title that explores the work and tools of first responders in straightforward language. XP 363.348 AUS

**I Am One: A Book of Action** by Susan Verde (2020). A child-friendly exploration of how to take the first small step in order to make a difference in their community. XFICP VERDE S

**I'm Brave** by Kate McMullan (2014). An action-packed story that celebrates the importance of firefighters. XFICP MCMULLAN K

**Last Stop on Market Street** by Matt de la Peña (2015). In this award-winning story, a boy and his grandmother take a bus trip through their neighborhood. XFICP DE LA PENA M


**Lola and the Library** by Anna McQuinn (2006). Follow Lola and her mother as they make their weekly visit to their local library. XFICP MCQUINN A

**Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood** by Isabel F. Campoy (2016). Based on the Urban Art Trail in San Diego, this book follows a little girl named Mira, who learns how art can change the world. XFICP CAMPOY I

**My Papi Has a Motorcycle** by Jasmyn Wright (2019). Daisy takes a trip through her city on the back of her Papi's motorcycle. XFICP QUINTERO I

**Thank You, Omu!** by Oge Mora (2018). A story of the power of community and the joy of sharing. XFICP MORA O

**Trashy Town** by Andrea Griffing Zimmerman (1999). Mr. Gilly picks up trash all over town, with the fun refrain: “Dump it in, smash it down, drive around the Trashy Town!” XFICP ZIMMERMAN A

**Whose Hands Are These?: A Community Helper Guessing Book** by Miranda Paul (2016). A fun book that will have kids guessing the jobs based on the actions of busy hands. XP 331.7 PAU

**Windows** by Julia Denos (2017). A boy walks his dog through his neighborhood as the sun goes down and watches as his neighbors’ windows come to life. XFICP DENOS J

**Read a Book with Me** by Lawrence Schimel (2020). Antonio takes a trip through his neighborhood looking for someone to read his favorite book. XFICP SCHIMEL L

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