What PUBLIC LIBRARIES do for teens
from the Public Library Association’s 2017 PLDS Statistical Report

According to the 2015 US census, there are

OVER 41 MILLION
young people in the U.S. between the ages of 10-18

There are more
PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN THE U.S.
than McDonald’s restaurants or Starbucks.

72%
of public libraries offer summer reading and learning programs for youth

94%
of public libraries offer afterschool programs including career planning & computer skills

46 PERCENT
of public libraries offer teens LEADERSHIP ROLES via Teen Advisory Groups

97%
of public libraries offer a dedicated section for teen books and materials.

90%
of public libraries OFFER TECH TRAINING

70%
of public libraries provide support to youth serving organizations in their community

73%
of public libraries made visits to schools to distribute resources & library cards

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