

Fostering Community Connections and Lifelong Learning through Public Libraries

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Public libraries can play a vital role in fostering community connections and lifelong learning since they provide resources and spaces for individuals of all ages and backgrounds to learn and collaborate (UNESCO, 2021).

Libraries in many countries, in addition to books, offer workshops, access to digital resources, and cultural events that bridge educational gaps among various social groups. In a world increasingly shaped by digital divides and social fragmentation, libraries can bring together diverse groups to share ideas, develop skills, and cultivate a sense of belonging (Urban Library Council, 2006).

The proposed study aims to explore the potential of public libraries in Malta to facilitate support for underserved populations by providing access to books, technology, educational support and language development to foster resilient, informed, and connected communities.

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