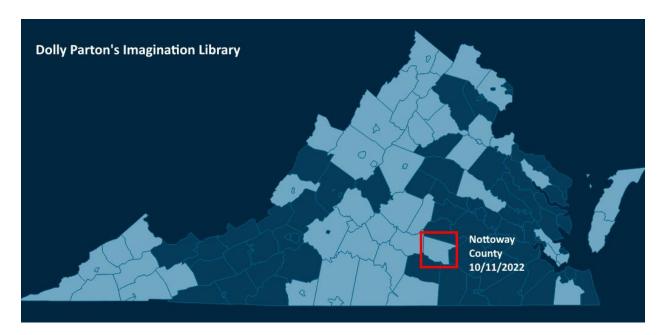


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Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Now Available in Nottoway County

Charlottesville, Virginia (10/17/2022) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is thrilled to report a new chapter of <u>Dolly Parton's Imagination Library</u> (DPIL) has been started in Nottoway County, bringing the total to 46 chapters in Virginia, with 16 of those in QCV's service area. We have 12 more to go.



QCV's QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill says, "We're filling in the blanks in our service area. In November 2020, there were two QCV counties (Henry and Pittsylvania) with DPIL chapters. Today there are 16. We've got another six in process and six more to go. It's different in every county. We first have to find a local 'spark plug' to lead the charge and then find a 501(c)(3) organization to partner with the Dollywood Foundation. (In Nottoway we found that via Jackie Zataweski, the Library Director for the Nottoway County Public Library System, which has three branches.) We then help create a local advisory committee of six to ten indivuduals who believe in the benefits of early childhood education and want to support the program. Then the advisory committee identifies potential funding sources and sets a goal to raise the first three years' costs. That allows them some 'breathing room' to publicize the program, enroll kids and become familiar with the tools and resources DPIL provides."

"The chapter in Nottoway was made possible by the three Friends of the Library organizations that came together to fund the start up. We look forward to seeing them enroll most of the 780 kids under age 5 who live in the county."

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QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format. QCV's service area includes, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Campbell, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greensville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick Pittsylvania, Prince Edward, Powhatan and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville, plus under a special arrangement, King George County. We currently serve 214 schools with 101,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs, in 31 Virginia counties and independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in Virginia communities outside our service area.

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