Beyond BiblioTEC
Creating a Sustainable Pop-Up Makerspace Model for Public Libraries

What makes a Makerspace?
BiblioTEC is a STEM learning initiative at Kitsap Regional Library that provides free access to instruction for young adults in cutting-edge, professional quality technology. With a successful pilot program, the Library had an urgent need for a sustainability plan for the future of BiblioTEC programming.

Inspiration Starts Here.
We tested our outcome-based curriculum during 20 pop-ups in the library and out in the community. We engaged with families in Kitsap County, informed youth with STEM activities, and created a Pop-up Toolkit for Librarians.

Next Steps...
Moving forward, BiblioTEC will be sustained by youth facilitators in the community. Our toolkit will be distributed to libraries to help create STEM learning initiatives and pop-up makerspace programs.

Makerspaces making an impact
“It’s not good to give up! Let’s keep trying!”
“Today I learned that I enjoy making my own world on the computer.”
“When I was making this today, I felt smart.”
“Let’s work on this together!”

Pop-Up Methodology
1 Identify Topic
2 Establish Outcomes
3 Prepare Equipment
4 Facilitate Lab
5 Observe Indicators
6 Outcomes Assessment