

TEENS IN ACTION

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: ATTEND

Attend one or more of these events, and we'll keep track of your time through sign-in sheets or Zoom attendance. (Additional instructions may be noted in the event's description below.)

Note: Skokie Public Library's Teen Services Team offers this nonpartisan volunteer opportunity to help inform you so that you can stand up for causes that you are passionate about. For more information on our vision, mission, values, and priorities, please check out our [2023-2026 Strategic Plan and Vision](#).

Event 1: The ACLU, Nazis, and Freedom of Speech in Skokie [online event]

What is "free speech" and why is it important? Why did a Jewish lawyer defend the rights of Nazis to march in Skokie in the Supreme Court case that put Skokie on the map?

Learn about the "Skokie case" and the uses and limits of our First Amendment in **Freedom of Speech with David Goldberger**. Goldberger is the former ACLU attorney who represented a group of Chicago-area Nazis who sought to hold a demonstration in downtown Skokie in 1977. Understand censorship and the role of protests in civic life. Bring your questions!

[Tuesday, January 21, 6:30-7:30 pm](#)

You will receive a Zoom link when you register, and all attendees will get service credit.

Event 2: Speak Up for Library Teens

Help plan, publicize, and present events for teens, and give your input on library services in **Teen Library Council**. Make your voice heard in what programs we offer, themes we focus on, and where we drive our impact in the community.

[Thursday, January 16, 5:30-6:30 pm](#)

Skokie Public Library, Teen Room

[Thursday, February 20, 5:30–6:30 pm](#)

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There will be a sign-in sheet at the events.

Event 3: Attend a Library Board Meeting

Did you know that you can be a part of what goes on at Skokie Public Library? Attend one of our board meetings to listen in and be informed on how we make decisions (small and large). You can even make public comments and let your voice be heard! Times are below for in-person attendance, and you can also watch on the [YouTube livestream](#).

Library administration will have a sign-in sheet, but please also take a selfie of yourself at the board meeting or take a screenshot if you are attending virtually. **Send the photo to teenteam@skokilibrary.info.**

[Wednesday, January 15th, 6:30–8:30 pm](#)

[Wednesday, February 12th, 6:30–8:30 pm](#)

[Wednesday, March 12th, 6:30–8:30 pm](#)

All at Skokie Public Library, Business & Community Center (Second Floor) or on YouTube.



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