In April’s programing we turned curiosity into impact! April’s Zone “Citizen Science Primer - Native Seed Planting” showcased citizen science programs and provided patrons with the opportunity to plant a native Montana seedling and care for it at home to be later added to Kalispell’s garden in June. How to zine? Zines are self-published booklets. Our teens were challenged in April to make their own zine in Scene and add it to the library. Fandom featured both zine creation and native seed planting. On April 27, ten members of the Community Engagement Team will receive training at Glacier National Park in order to better offer huckleberry phenology project trainings at the library. Special thanks to Mountain Climber for providing our staff transportation to and from the park. Imagineif LIBRARIES will join the Arbor Day festivities at Woodland Park on April 29. During the celebration we will have a booth were approximately 120 third grade students will learn about native bees and help construct a bee house by creating nesting tubes.

April’s Program Attendance:
- Zone: 440
- Scene: ongoing (31 as of 4/26/2022)
- Fandom: 4
- Arbor Day at Woodland Park: TBD

April’s Summary of Funds Expended:
- General supplies for teen programming (including new April’s and May’s teen programing supplies, markers, and a year's worth of popcorn) $140.03 provided by Friends of ImagineIF Libraries.
- April’s Zone Supplies $462.22 provided by ImagineIF Library Foundation.

On April 20, I had the pleasure of representing Imagineif LIBRARIES at the first program in the MLN Virtual Program Series. The program featured Mark Gibbons, the 2021-2022 Montana Poet Laureate. His anecdotal humor and poetic rhythm absorbed the audience in and unique and interactive experience.

I am pleased to announce that our Phase 1 Educational grant through the Flathead Conservation District was approved on April 11. $1,500 was awarded to Imagineif LIBRARIES to cover the following costs associated with our native plant garden: irrigation system supplies, mulch, soil amendments and plants.

Our $1,600 Scistarter grant reporting has been finalized and is scheduled to closeout April 30. This grant provided financial support to purchase materials for our Exploring Biodiversity and Measuring Light in the Night Science Connect kits.

May is going to be fun. Imagineif LIBRARIES has partnered with U.S. Geological Survey and Glacier National Park to offer 3 huckleberry phenology project trainings. To promote collaboration, shared goals, and a sense of ownership our patrons will help design a portion of the garden’s layout during May’s Zone, “Native Plant Garden Planning”. Volunteers will be organized and recruited this May to get the garden’s beds ready for planting. “Fandom Felting” is coming to May’s Scene and Fandom. Teens will enjoy felting a little fuzzy friend! On May 27, 4 members of the Teen Team will meet for a team building exercise to put together Kalispell Teen Zone’s new hexagonal panel art display. Teen Team will also be busy organizing supplies, sending items to surplus, and preparing to give a staff training at May’s All Staff meeting. End of May we might see our new neon “teen zone” sign installed at Kalispell.