

Strategies for Advancing Hidden Collections Webinar 6
Closing the loop: Project Assessment and Leveraging Goals for Future Planning
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Notes and Chat History, Celebrating Success

Notes

Celebrating project success

- Luncheon with involved parties invited
- Formal recognition of all staff involved
- Keeping the donor involved (if still living) or donor family to celebrate a project
- Present at outside conferences and meetings to share success
- Food!
- Swag
- Allow a time to celebrate project completion and say goodbye to any temporary staff
- Field trip
- Staff bonuses
- Celebrations should be external with stakeholders, internal with other staff and departments, and outside in your own professional community
- Sharing project success directly to HR manager for official documentation
- Saying "thank you" to your team

Chat History

Ellen: Does anyone have ideas about celebrating project success? How would you celebrate?

Geoffrey Reynolds (Hope College): After completing a three year long congressional papers processing project, we held a luncheon and had the congressman speak.

Debbie Kempe: It's important to formally recognize all staff who were involved in creating a successful project

Sachiko Iwabuchi: I haven't done, but my predecessor here at UH Manoa invited the donor to the library when she finished digitizing the scrolls she received from the donor.

Christine Walde: Present at external and internal venues and meetings: conferences, senate gatherings, etc.

Ricki Moskowitz:exhibits

Katharine Rapkin:WE get cookies. Really.

Christine Walde:swag

Naomi Steinberger:We had a digitization project which included funding for dedication of a donor-renovated space. We had a celebratory evening with the donor.

Naomi Steinberger:Party! But sometimes a mixed bag because we are sad to see the project staff leave at the end of the project.

Robin Grunwald:Field Trip

Ricki Moskowitz:absolutely wishful thinking...actual bonuses for the team

Allison Young:Have a staff party, and go see the finished product together and have a collective sigh of relief

Purdue Archives:Celebrate externally (stakeholders) to increase awareness, celebrate internally to recognise staff achievement, and share with your professional community.

Institute for Advanced Study:Celebrate and then make sure the project leader sends a letter to the HR records of all those involved.

Naomi Steinberger:Present results at a conference

Christine Walde:Invite faculty and students to explore teaching and learning opportunities with completed project

Jaime:Made sure I said thank you to my fellow team members - want them to feel appreciated! (also, food :-))

Institute for Advanced Study:Sometimes all you need is an honest and heartfelt THANK YOU!