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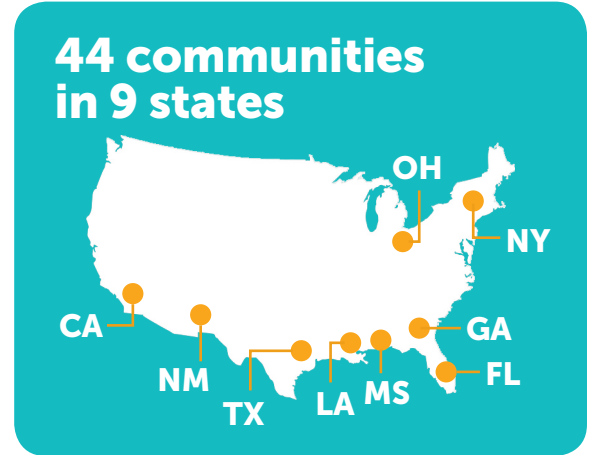


**Shift's Storybox program** is a community engagement tool designed to bring together local people of diverse backgrounds in order to create stronger communities built on understanding, empathy and respect. The Storybox program is a series of 4-6 story sharing events run by a single host, in one or more locations, over the course of 6-8 weeks.

STATS, 2017-2019



LOCATIONS:



PROGRAM PARTNERS:



EVENT THEMES:



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:





# Story sharing events



**Storybox closing celebration**  
Terrebonne Parish Public Library  
Dulac, LA, March 2018



**Storytelling among members of NOW, LOVE**  
(New Orleans Women, Living Our Values Everyday)  
New Orleans, LA, April 2018



**Storybox closing celebration**  
Middle Georgia  
Regional Library,  
Marshallville, GA  
March 2018



**Story sharing among library staffers**  
Toledo Lucas County Public Library, Maumee, OH, Dec. 2018



**Sharing untold stories among cultural heritage leaders**  
New Orleans, LA, March 2018





# Storybox feedback

"I like the idea of digging beneath layers and understanding that everything's complicated and the more you want to dig down, the more you're going to understand the connections... I was surprised at how much fun it was. I was delighted."

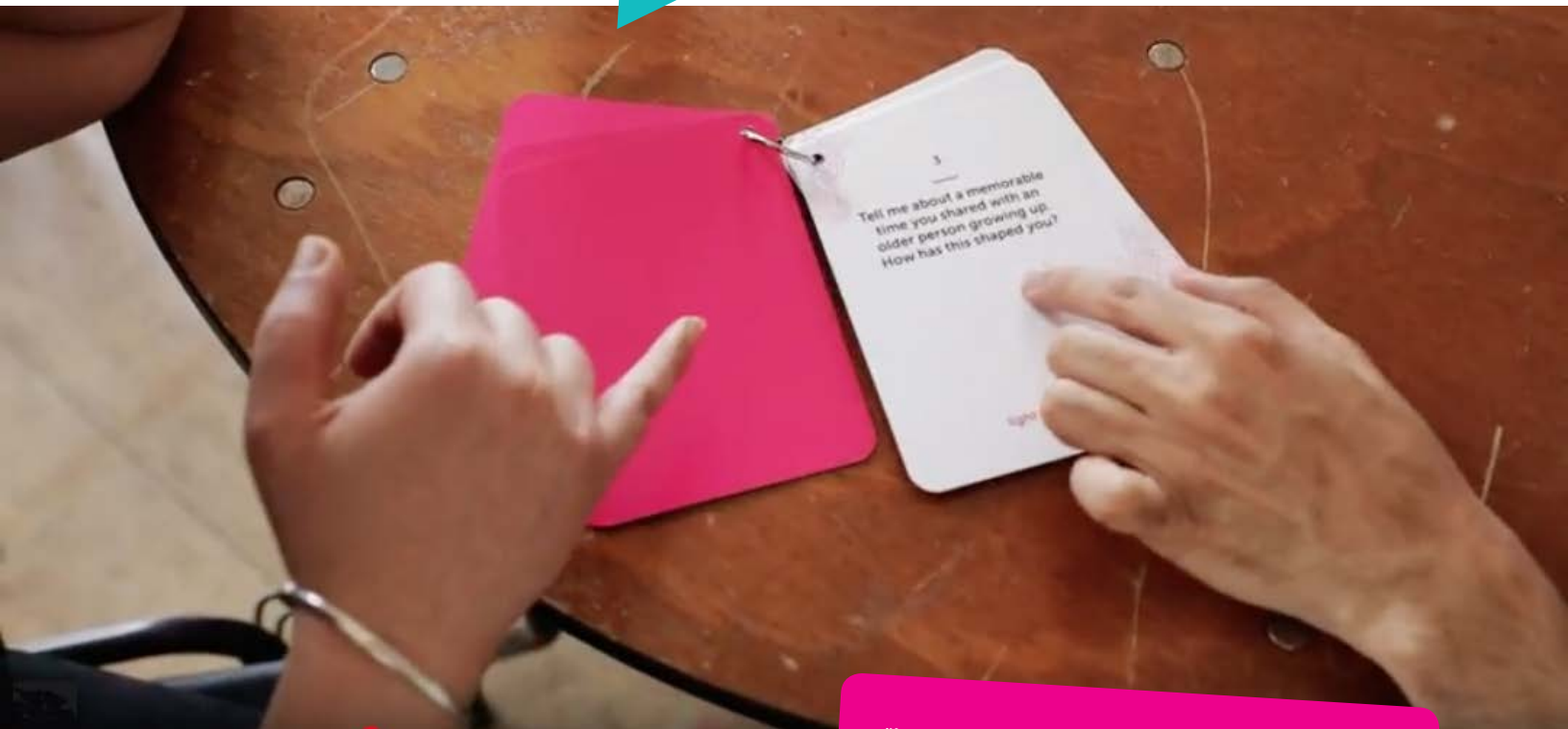
— Jon Kardon

"The Storybox experience can be important for building community and making connections with other people, and could help people get to know one another, but it may be more valuable in getting people to know themselves."

— Val Uccellani

"I really enjoyed conjuring up old stories that I hadn't thought about in a long time. I re-connected with my own memories of good times in my life. You go away with good feelings."

— Cindy Martin



"I love it. I love the questions because of the way they spark memories — things I had forgotten about or hadn't thought about in years. As I get older, I feel an urgency to share what I know."

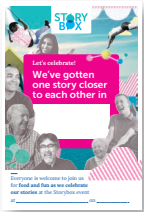
— Anita Dennis

"I think the combination of these tools and the cards and the questions are really powerful. I've had the experience of working with groups and asking one question, which was talk about something about your childhood, and two out of ten people were extremely uncomfortable with that. 'I don't want to talk about my childhood - don't make me.' So giving them the option of getting to some of these purposes through a different door, I think is really brilliant."

— Elisa Speranza



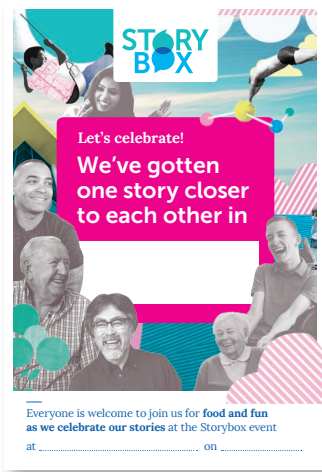
Instant camera  
Film



Celebration invitations



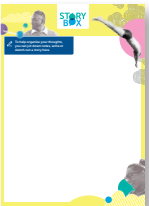
Event invitations



Celebration promo posters



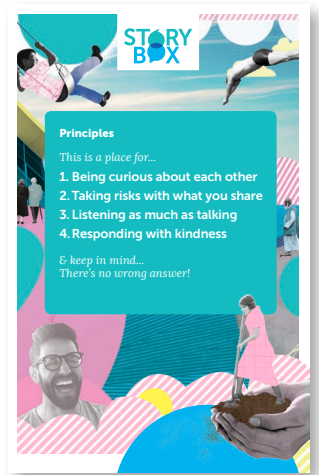
Event promo posters



Notepads



Story starter cards



'Principles of Play' posters



Table cards



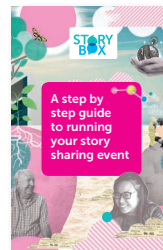
Story dice



Sand timers



Name badges



Facilitator guide



Story capture cards