By the year 2030, 1 in 5 Tulsans will be over 65. This brings both challenges and opportunities. The goal of the Across the Generations initiative is creating a city that recognizes, respects, and meets the needs of all ages and brings generations together in support of each other. Get involved through the new community education and participation program…

One City, One Book

SIX WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

1 Young and Old Read Dream
Tulsans of all ages are invited to read the award-winning bestseller Dream: A Tale of Wonder, Wisdom & Wishes by Susan V. Bosak. This inspiring story about hopes and dreams across a lifetime, illustrated by 15 top artists, shows you’re never too young or too old to dream! Find out how to do a cool intergenerational reading.

2 Age Engage
Get to know someone younger or older than you are – you’ll learn more about them, your community, and yourself. Check out the Legacy Project’s free online activities that include family trees, fill-in sheets, games, and more.

3 Win By Listening to a Life
Children and teens in Tulsa can go out into the community to interview grandparents, elder neighbors, nursing home residents, etc. to submit a 300-word essay in the Listen to a Life Essay Contest. The Grand Prize is a Lenovo ThinkCentre computer PLUS the school of the winning young person receives $25,000 of EdOptions’ products. Twenty runners-up receive an MP3 player and EdOptions’ products. Get complete contest details at www.legacyproject.org/tulsa.

4 What Matters?
Young people can help older adults in the community create a Life Statement. This is a way to permanently record the most important parts of yourself, what really matters, and share it with the Legacy Project’s online educational community across the country.

5 Visit a Dream Place
The Dream Exhibit features all the original artwork created for Dream by 15 top illustrators from around the world. You’ll see watercolor, oil, digital, 3-D modeling clay, and more. There’s also the magical, handcrafted Dream Chest. The interactive Dream Exhibit will be on display at the Tulsa Historical Society Museum until January, 2013. There are special educational programs for schools and intergenerational groups.

6 Share Your Dream
What are your ideas for bringing generations together in the City of Tulsa? The last line in Dream is, “Dream a dream… your very own dream.” We need your help to dream a better future for your community. E-mail with your hopes and ideas for the city and we’ll post them. Create intergenerational art displays in schools and seniors centers that show the “next page” in Dream – your vision for the city’s future in words and art. Send us photos to post. Write a poem or song about your dreams for the city’s future. Post a video on YouTube and send us a link. Creative expression speaks to all ages and everyone can participate. So, get creative Tulsa – and start dreaming!

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.LEGACYPROJECT.ORG/TULSA