our progress so far

52 goal activities completed as of October 2019 (83% of the total)

1,209 students reached by the Monrovia Reads Van in the first 2 months of school (August 19 - October 18)

621 students and families reached at Back to School Nights across Monrovia in August & September

$1,500 amount received from the Friends to update & expand the Monrovia Reads Van collection for the 2019/2020 school year
Where We Are Now
Progress we've made in 2019:

In response to positive feedback from school staff and students, the Great Stories Club is returning to Canyon Oaks High School for another year, with library staff expanding the program beyond the grant-funded four months to the entire 2019/2020 school year (Experiences, Goal 6)

Students from Plymouth, who visited the van 1,026 times and checked out 527 books during the 18/19 school year, continue to receive weekly visits from the Monrovia Reads Van as staff provide library services and activities in South Monrovia, with regular visits to Santa Fe Middle School added during the 19/20 school year (Access, Goal 2)

Started in August 2019, an on-site VSO benefits officer visits the Veterans Resource Center on a weekly basis and the response has been incredibly positive with advanced appointments filling up quickly (Partnerships, Goal 1)

Staff attended Back-to-School Nights at the local elementary, middle, and high schools in August & September, reaching a total of 621 students and their families (Partnerships, Goal 2)

Veterans Resource Center staff & volunteers visited the City’s summer concerts in July & August 2019 to promote veterans resources to the larger community (Image, Goal 3)

What's Next
Projects coming up in 2020:

Finalize and launch Marketing Plan to coordinate promotional methods and highlight the multitude of opportunities the library offers (Image, Goal 1)

Continued work on the Library Park Redesign that will provide additional open space for library users (Experiences, Goal 5)

A new staff development program, Collab Lab, will be launched in early 2020 as a way for staff to learn from one another while working on specific projects that grow their skills (Staff Development, Goal 3)