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Nashua library named in honor of Senator Gregg

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NASHUA -- Sen. Judd Gregg was on hand yesterday at the dedication of the Nashua Police Athletic League's Youth Safe Haven's new library named in his honor.

“If a child learns how to read, that child is on the road to being a successful citizen,” Gregg said.

The library, located at the Nashua PAL Community Center at 52 Ash St., was dedicated to Gregg in recognition of the work he did to secure funding for the Youth Safe Haven, which opened in March 2005.

Deb Fraser, Nashua PAL Youth Safe Haven director, said it was a “no-brainer” to dedicate the library, which contains approximately 1,200 books, in honor of Gregg. “This may be a small center but lives will be changed by this,” Gregg said.

Gregg also praised the work being done by the Nashua Police Department and the PAL program. He added that his family has had a long relationship with the city's police department. Gregg's grandfather was once the commissioner of police.

Nashua Police Chief Tim Hefferan said, “That room represents hope, promise and refuge for out intercity youth.”

Also on hand for the dedication was Rep. Charlie Bass, who joked that the first library dedicated in Gregg's honor was not as large as the Library of Congress but all the books would be read.

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