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The Hate U Give Book Discussion at Nacogdoches Public Library

(Nacogdoches, TX) – One of the most critically acclaimed young adult books of 2017, *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas, was recently made into a movie. The Nacogdoches Public Library staff will hold a special book discussion on Friday, November 30th at 5:30 pm for teens and adults.

The book follows the story of Star Carter, a young African-American teenager who witnesses the shooting death of her childhood friend by a white police officer and her journey to stand up for herself and speak her truth.

"This is a powerful book. It's sad, funny and thought-provoking. It was one of the best books that I read in 2017 and I encouraged my son to read it. It became one of his favorite books too. I hope that teens will want to share their thoughts on the book and be encouraged to read more books in this genre and to ask critical questions of themselves and those around them," Mercedes Franks, library director.

Anyone interested in the book discussion may check out one of the book club books at the library. Copies of the book are also available online in audio and ebook formats. Registration can be done by calling the library at 936-559-2970 or visiting the library's website at www.ci.nacogdoches.tx.us/library.