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**S.T.E.M. Kit Spotlight @ BPL**

Each month we feature a different S.T.E.M. kit from the amazing selection at Benzonia Public Library.

**Magna Tiles Metropolis Set**

**KIT #29, ages 3+**

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Dr. Fizz and Boomer kept themselves busy all day while engineering an entire city, including a new mouse house.

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The STEM kits vary from hands-on tactile learning, to coding, to a digital microscope & lots of fun stuff in between. A great resource for homeschool, in person, or virtual students!  
Many thanks to Traverse Area District Library & Newton’s Road for these kits.

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