

Josephine-Louise Public Library

Long Range Plan of Service

2023-2027

***Mission Statement:** The goal of the Josephine-Louise Public Library is to provide materials and services to help meet the diverse educational, professional, and recreational needs of the community. To meet this goal emphasis will be on providing a variety of materials and services for people of all ages with differing cultural and personal interest. The library strives to create an appropriate environment to meet these goals.*

The Josephine-Louise Public Library provides library facilities, collections, programs and services in accordance with its mission to:

- Meet the informational needs of the chartered service area.
- Inform the library's service area community of the resources and services available.
- Instruct the library's service area community on the use of resources and services available.

In order for us to continue to fulfill our mission we hereby set the following goals:

Library Building

- Evaluate the physical structure and explore opportunities to make improvements.
- Evaluate the heating, venting, and air conditioning systems and explore opportunities to improve energy efficiency, utilizing "green" technologies wherever possible.
- Evaluate collection needs as they relate to the physical space and make improvements in the display or storage of items where possible.
- Continue to work with the Village of Walden to make improvements to the Library Space.

Library Technology

- Facilitate the migration of new automated circulation systems and online public access catalogs.

- Maintain a website to provide public access to the catalog, databases, public announcements and ready reference information.
- Maintain and improve wherever possible the library's Internet and computer workstations.
- Incorporate new technologies and social media into the provision of library services wherever possible.
- Offer training to the public in how best to utilize technology.

Library Collection

- Maintain an up-to-date collection of materials in multiple formats to inform, entertain and enlighten.
- Replace outdated material.

Library Community

- Continue to promote library resources and services in the community through the publication and distribution of library informational brochures, printed materials and social media, public informational bulletin board.
- Continue to provide community meeting space and tutoring space, enrich children's reading programs, and offer cultural programming.
- Identify stakeholders and make efforts to bring them into the planning process.

Budget

- Locate available funding resources to ensure the provision of effective library services in an uncertain economic environment.
- Continue to maintain a healthy Capital Line Item.

Evaluation and Future Planning

- The director will facilitate the collection of data from the community via surveys, questionnaires and or focus groups to solicit feedback on community library usage and needs. This information will be presented to the Board of Trustees for analysis, discussion and future planning.

Adopted by the Josephine-Louise Public Library Board of Trustees
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