

Wells Branch Community Library VISION STATEMENT

We recognize that our success depends on our relationship with our stakeholders and partners. We commit to a continuing, open exchange of ideas among ourselves and with others, creating an atmosphere of pride and ownership which will help the library, its stakeholders, and partners to grow and succeed in serving the community.

We recognize that our patrons are not only our customers, they are the reason the library exists. We will actively solicit input from our patrons and embrace changes to improve our library.

- We value our employees and volunteers as individuals, and for their important contributions to the organization.
- We value our local businesses for their unique contributions to the community, as well as providing our source of funding. We will reach out to provide services to them and endeavor to promote their utilization.
- We recognize that as elected representatives of the community, the library board performs a unique role in guiding library development to meet community needs and advocating on behalf of the library.
- We strive to collaborate effectively and efficiently with our community partners and stakeholders, including nonprofit organizations, government entities, and other libraries.

We contribute to the life of the community by our commitment to excellence in the development, selection and delivery of educational and leisure resources.

- We provide services to library users in formats that meet the needs of our diverse society.
- We acquaint patrons with the many means of acquiring answers to their research and other questions, and the availability of wide ranging resources.
- We dedicate ourselves to providing services in a stimulating and welcoming environment.

We recognize that the multi-faceted needs of the community are best met by providing a variety of available spaces, and being open to adapting new ideas and technologies.

- We will provide convenient, inviting, and up-to-date facilities that meet the growing and changing expectations of users.
- We commit to exploring and adopting relevant new technologies.
- We strive to provide separate and safe areas for children as well as young adults, and "quiet spaces" for study/research.
- We designate diverse spaces for meetings and programs to meet the needs of a variety of groups.
- We will expand our multi-lingual collection (print and non-print) to reflect the ethnic diversity of the community.

Recognizing that we lead by example, we build awareness of our green, energy star building and promote environmentally appropriate gardening practices. We actively embody and promote environmental best practices, encouraging their adoption and implementation within our community.

- We do this through incorporating these practices in the library and modeling such practices and behavior.
- We provide programs and activities designed to foster and encourage environmental practices
- We commit to providing relevant "green" resources to the community.