

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the West Hurley Public Library is to collect, preserve, and make available library materials in print and in electronic formats to serve the recreational, informational, educational, and leisure needs of the chartered community. The West Hurley Public Library is committed to supporting a lifelong enjoyment of reading and learning.

GOALS

The library will address the recreational, informational, educational, and leisure interests of the chartered community through the selection and acquisition of library materials, the provision of reference and reader's advisory services, and the offering of library programs.

POPULAR MATERIALS/RESOURCES

Patrons are provided with an attractive, current, and balanced collection of library materials for recreation and self-enrichment.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS

The library publishes a minimum of two newsletters each year to keep the community informed of library collections, services, and programs. The library conducts programs to educate the public about new information technologies available in the library. The library uses local media to keep the community informed of collections, services, and programs.

RESOURCE SHARING

The library participates in the Mid-Hudson Interlibrary Loan services and the Southeastern New York Library Resources Council.

PHYSICAL FACILITY

The library provides a clean, safe, attractive and welcoming place for library patrons and its collections, programs, and services.

CHILDREN

Children and their families/caregivers are offered a variety of high quality library materials in print and electronic technologies. These materials are chosen to stimulate reading and learning. The library plans and conducts a Summer Reading Program. The library plans and conducts children's story hour programs.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

The library provides fax and photocopy services at a reasonable cost during library hours. The library cooperates with local libraries, agencies, and organizations to provide a community center of information.

YOUNG ADULTS

Young adults are offered a variety of high quality library materials in print and electronic technologies for reference and informational needs and for leisure reading. Programs are offered based upon the interests of the Young Adult population.

ACCESS

The library staff is sensitive to the needs of a varied population and provides services and library materials within the limits of the budget. The library's collection is accessible through signs, displays, and adequate shelving. Patrons receive timely responses to reference/information questions. Interlibrary Loan requests are filled in a timely manner. The library is adequately staffed and is open at times convenient to individuals and families.

COMMUNICATION

The meetings of the Library Board of Trustees are open to the public. Times and dates of the meeting are published in the newspaper. The library responds to complaints and suggestions from its patrons in a timely manner.

TECHNOLOGY

The library makes an effort to review new technologies and to determine which of these technologies can be used to provide new and improved services to patrons.