

Cuba Circulating Library

Library Purpose

Mission Statement

The mission of the Cuba Circulating Library is to bring people and information together in a cost effective manner. This community resource center provides popular materials and programs to serve the informational, cultural and recreational needs of the public, placing special emphasis on supporting students' interests and appreciation of reading and learning.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to provide free state-of-the-art access to informational, cultural, educational and recreational resources and services at the greatest possible convenience to our patrons.

Roles and Objectives

Cuba Circulating Library focuses on the following suggested American Library Association roles for public libraries

Popular Materials Library: The library features current, high demand, high-interest materials in a variety of formats for persons of all ages.

Objectives

- Select, acquire, process and maintain those resources and services that best support library users. Answers "what does our community want?"
- Include current, popular recreational printed materials in collection
- Buy 75% of the adult fiction on the NYT weekly bestseller list
- Buy 50% of the adult nonfiction on the NYT bestseller list
- Buy award winning (Caldecott, Newbery) juvenile books and 50% of starred review books
- Weed outdated materials and items that do not circulate
- Provide video cassettes, books on tape and CDs in collection: 80% of videos purchased will be literature based
- Provide PCs with Internet access
- Offer computer classes according to demand
- Market library materials and services
- Publicize activities, events in three area newspapers
- Prepare attractive displays of materials monthly
- Prepare and distribute attractive brochures and flyers
- Personally promote library in as many ways as possible
- Serve all age groups
- Offer 50% of programming for adults, 50% for children

- Offer programs for children after school
- Offer a variety of age appropriate preschool programs
- Move anyone on a waiting list for a program to the top of the list the next time the program is offered
- Offer materials for people with different learning styles and abilities – i.e. large print, low literacy, audio etc.

Early Childhood Door to Learning

The library encourages children to develop an interest in reading and learning through services directed toward children, their parents and families.

Objectives

- Focus services on the needs of preschool and elementary school age children
- Foster reading readiness in preschoolers
- Provide story hours and lap sit programs
- Provide adequate, up-to-date resources to aid with homework and teach young people how to use these resources
- Organize after school activities for elementary school age youth

Community Activities Center

The library is a focal point for community activities, meetings and services.

Objectives

- Emphasize programming for young and old
- Actively seek funding for 10 creative & intellectual programs
- Provide instructional programs according to interests of community
- Actively interact with other community groups
- Maintain membership in the Cuba Chamber of Commerce
- Provide programs for Cuba area groups, such as the Senior Citizens organization
- Provide meeting room for public, local government and service organizations, accommodating up to 10 meetings a month
- Serve as a source of information about the Cuba community
- Provide bulletin boards and brochure space for local groups & residents
- Maintain Cuba Organization list
- Maintain Cuba community vertical file
- Continue to add to Local History Collection