

MONROE PUBLIC LIBRARY MISSION STATEMENT—GENERAL POLICY

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The mission of the Monroe Public Library is to enrich the community and the lives of the people it serves by making freely available a selection of materials and services for purposes of education, life enhancement, and acquisition of knowledge.

The roles and values of the Monroe Public Library include the following:

- Provide a comfortable and actively inviting community atmosphere for library users and visitors
- Provide the people that it serves with timely, accurate, and useful information through its print and audiovisual collections and electronic databases
- Provide access to Internet resources
- Provide library users with current, high demand, high interest materials in a variety of formats that meet diverse reading and interest levels
- Provide reference and information that assists adults, youth and children to pursue their educational, informational and life enhancing objectives, whether through formal course study or independent learning
- Provide library displays, programs, publicity, materials selection, technology resources, and an environment that encourages adults, youth, and children to read and learn
- Encourage children and their parents and caregivers to read and learn together through displays, exhibits, and program series developed for children and their parents and caregivers
- Provide collaborative outreach within the larger community
- Uphold the Library Bill of Rights and the Freedom to Read, Freedom to View, and Intellectual Freedom statements adopted by the Monroe Public Library