

DAVENPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY Community Postings and Exhibits Policy

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Davenport Public Library ascribes to the American Library Association <u>Library Bill of Rights</u>, which affirms that libraries are forums for information and ideas.

PROVISIONS

- 1. The Library does not provide space for public displays or exhibits. However, The Library may sponsor or partner with groups for displays or exhibits.
- 2. Bulletin and community board space is available on an equitable basis for individuals or groups requesting use. The following guidelines apply:
 - 2.1. Library staff must approve all materials prior to posting.
 - 2.2. Materials of general interest will be posted. Due to space limitations, materials that are of a cultural and educational nature will take precedence over other materials.
 - 2.3. The posting of materials does not imply endorsement of any concept of any program by The Library, The Library Board of Trustees, or its individual staff members.
 - 2.4. Materials must meet existing State and Federal laws on obscenity, libel, defamation of character, and invasion of privacy, and be free of discrimination.
 - 2.5. Materials advertising individual sales or a specific business of a commercial nature will not be posted.
 - 2.6. Items available in quantity for handout will be accepted on a limited basis with preference given to schedules, calendars, tourism information, and forms of an educational or cultural nature.
 - 2.7. Approved materials will be removed after 30 days, or after the event happens. Materials will not be returned.
 - 2.8. Materials will only be placed in designated locations.
 - 2.9. Posting of signs (other than for library-approved promotions) on the exterior grounds of any location is not allowed. Signs for contractors or vendors may be posted only with the approval by the Library Director.
 - 2.10. Any objections to the content of posted items may be addressed through the request for reconsideration process.