

Soliciting, Fundraising, Petitioning and Campaigning

Soliciting

Solicitation, advertising, promotion, vending, petitioning, collecting signatures or product sampling on Library property is not allowed unless it is part of an employment benefit provided by the Library for the staff or specifically sanctioned in conjunction with a program conducted by the Library. The Library does not endorse, sponsor or support products, services, persons or groups unless related to library service or management and expressively approved by the Board of Trustees or Director.

Fundraising and Donation Collection

Fundraising for Library purposes is permitted when approved by the Board of Trustees or the Director.

The Library occasionally receives requests from patrons or staff to conduct or endorse fundraising events or to provide public space for donation collection boxes. The Library will not sponsor nor endorse the fundraising activities of other organizations. Periodically, however, the Library may cooperate with local community charitable groups or service clubs to support community endeavors.

Staff fund raising activities directed solely at the staff may be conducted in staff-only areas.

Fundraising and donation collection may be conducted under the auspices of the Friends of the Library subject to the approval of the Library Director. Such activity will be passive, without solicitation and will be limited so as to not interfere with normal Library activity and operations.

Outdoor Displays

Unmanned campaign posters, banners, yard signs and other outdoor displays (not approved by the Library) shall not be posted, exhibited or left anywhere on Library property. Such displays will be removed without notice and disposed of by Library personnel.

Remote Offices

The Library may host temporary remote outreach locations for Elected Officials, Government Agencies and Not-For-Profit organizations to allow residents convenient local access to their services. These offerings are not to be used for partisan political or campaign purposes.

Political Programs and Debate

The Library may schedule political programs or debates, candidate forums and town hall type meetings to help inform voters about issues or candidates in an election. Campaign material and literature, deemed appropriate by the Library may be distributed by the program/debate participants as part of the program or debate. Effort will be made to present opposing viewpoints.

The Library shall indemnify and save harmless the Library Director, his/her designee, and any Library personnel, from any action, claim or proceeding instituted against such person arising out of the enforcement of these rules and regulations by such Library personnel.