

## **Service Animal Policy**

### **Application**

This policy defines the animals allowed in the library.

### **Statement of Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to define in what situations animals are allowed in the library and to communicate the rules and expectations to the public.

### **Policy**

Service animals are welcome in the library in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

In addition, animals which are part of a library program (e.g. Paws for Reading, Mobile Zoo) are allowed in the building.

Pets and emotional support animals need to wait outside or in the owner's car. Exceptions for extenuating circumstances can be made by the director. Staff should ask a patron if their animal is a service animal when they arrive. If the answer is yes, ask what service the animal performs. If no, staff should ask them to leave the animal in their car or outside.

### **Responsibility**

The director is responsible for educating staff on the implementation of this policy.

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