

DRAFT Proposal - June 2, 2022

1.02 Role Statements

Role #1: Popular Materials Library

The library provides a wide variety of current, high-demand, high-interest materials in a variety of formats for borrowers of all ages.

Role #2: Reference Library

The library provides reference materials and services to fulfill the community's need for timely, accurate, and useful information on a broad array of topics.

Role #3: Programs and Outreach

The library sponsors a variety of programs and activities for children, teens, and adults and participates in community outreach.

Role #4: Technology

The library offers access to computers, the internet, software, printers, and other technology to benefit our community.

Current Role Statements:

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~~Grantsville City Library~~

~~Role statements are profiles of what a public library chooses to emphasize in providing services to the community. Role statements are useful in planning what the library is trying to do, who the library is trying to serve, and what resources will be needed to achieve these desired results.~~

~~The Grantsville City Library Board selected and approved the following role statements for the Library. They are listed in priority order as determined by the Board.~~

~~1. Popular Materials Library~~

~~2. Reference Library~~

~~1.02.01 Popular Materials Library~~

~~A. Description. The library provides current topics and titles that help to fulfill community residents' need for information about popular cultural and social trends and their requests for recreational information and experiences. The library actively promotes and encourages the use of its collection. Special booklists may be~~

distributed or materials gathered together to encourage circulation in connection with a library program or display.

B. Benefits. A wide variety of popular materials for reading, listening, and viewing are available to library patrons. Since some individuals purchase these materials, the library returns an economic benefit to those who borrow, rather than buy, such items. This role enhances and supplements the offerings of community bookstores, theaters, video outlets, and media. The library's support for cultural and leisure activities makes the community an inviting place to live in and visit. Providing popular materials contributes to a high circulation rate. This, in turn, leads to a high visibility for the library in the community.

C. Critical resources. The collection includes current and popular materials in a variety of formats, with sufficient duplication to meet demand. A significant percentage of the collection has been published within the last five years.

1. The staff is knowledgeable about current popular interests and anticipates publishing trends and "hot" titles.

2. The facility promotes browsing, has attractive displays and good signage. The building has adequate and easily accessible shelf space, provides casual seating, is an easily accessible site, and has ample parking.

1.02.02 Reference Library

A. Description. The library provides timely, accurate, and useful information for the community. The library promotes on-site telephone and electronic reference/information services to aid users in locating needed information. Information provided may range from answering a variety of directional questions to specialized research. The library participates in interlibrary loan and cooperative reference services to meet patron needs for information not available.

B. Benefits. Convenient, timely access to reference service and information is available to library users. Users can find out about almost any subject and obtain materials not generally available elsewhere.

C. Critical resources. The collection emphasizes informational materials to support individual, business, government, and community interests. Reference materials are available in adult and juvenile formats. The reference collection is extensive and includes such materials as indexes, atlases, encyclopedias, handbooks, and directories. The library makes use of electronic databases and maintains an Internet

home page. It has a large current periodicals collection, a local community organizations file, and local statistical database. The library maintains subscriptions to special indexing and abstracting services. Development of local history archives and collecting local documents, memorabilia, and photographs is also emphasized.

The staff is approachable and skilled in using reference tools and reference interviewing techniques. Collectively, the staff has strong subject backgrounds in the library's areas of subject strength.

The facility has a clearly identified and visible location for reference and information services that is staffed during all hours of operation. Telephone reference, online reference, and online database searching is available.