

Mission

The mission of the Kingston Community Library is to enrich lives by fostering a sense of place, community and collaboration, while nurturing curiosity and creativity. The Library offers lifelong learning, reading, and recreational opportunities through diverse collections and programs.

Vision

People are at the heart of what we do and information is the center of our business. We provide an environment that connects people, welcomes diverse ideas, promotes information literacy, values curiosity, and supports resource sharing.

Values

1. Information

We believe in the importance of information accessibility for a healthy democracy and support the critical evaluation of information in all its forms to ensure its reliability.

2. Community

We believe a public library is a community hub that serves as an intergenerational repository of common memories, shared experiences, and local pride.

3. Collaboration

We believe it is important for a library to collaborate with local institutions that serve diverse populations and encourage peer collaboration through our programming and community outreach.

4. Curiosity and Creativity

We believe the library's collections and programs should support curiosity and creativity by valuing knowledge and imagination.

5. Outdoor Literacy

We believe in the importance of our stewardship of the natural environment and that the library grounds help us form relationships with the world we inhabit.

6. Diversity and Equity

We believe all citizens should be able to access information resources and our collections reflect the diversity in our world.

7. Freedom to Read

We believe censorship is purely an individual matter and anyone is free to reject materials; However, one cannot exercise this right of censorship to restrict the freedom of others.