

## **FLATHEAD COUNTY LIBRARY FAIR TREATMENT**

The Library Board of Trustees affirms that all libraries are forums for information and ideas, and that the following basic policies should guide their successes.

Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.

- Flathead County Library shall provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials shall not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
- Flathead County Library shall challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment. (See Collection Development and Management Policy)
- Flathead County Library shall cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
- A person's right to use a library shall not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.
- Flathead County Library will make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public and shall make such facilities available on an equal basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use. (See Meeting Room Policy)

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