



## **Greenwich Library Policy**

### **Access**

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The Greenwich Library, which includes the main building and the Cos Cob and Byram Shubert branches, is both a publicly and privately supported library and shall maintain free access to use of its resources to the fullest extent possible. Such use is intended for the residents of the town of Greenwich as well as those afforded borrowing privileges by the Board of Trustees.

#### **1. Library Access:**

- a. The Greenwich Library shall permit free use of materials and services within the Library buildings as well as attempt to provide these services to those residents incapable of physically accessing these resources.
- b. The Greenwich Library endorses and subscribes to the American Library Association (“ALA”) Policy as adopted by its Council in January of 2001 regarding the provision of equitable access for persons with disabilities and undertakes to use its best efforts to comply with said Policy to the extent that doing so does not fundamentally alter the nature of the goods and services offered by the Library, result in an undue burden on the Library and that the Library is able to fund the costs of doing so within the constraints of its Annual Budgets and/or from funds it is able to raise privately from time to time.
- c. Charges for special services may be imposed by the Board of Trustees in consultation with the Director of the Library. A schedule of such charges shall be made available to the public and reviewed annually.

#### **2. Borrowing Privileges:**

- a. A Greenwich Library card may be acquired without fee for those who live, work, or attend school in Greenwich.
- b. Greenwich Library card holders and holders of cards from other public Connecticut libraries may borrow all available resources subject to Library rules.

- c. Greenwich Library allows others to acquire a library card for an annual fee. Regulations covering such card acquisition and the fee schedule shall be made available to the public and reviewed annually.