

Annual Library Service Plan – FY 2027-2028

Weston Public Library

Library Vision for the Future:

Weston Public Library's staff and board support our mission to serve the greater Weston community through:

- Outstanding patron Service
- Library collections that meet the needs of our community and encompass a wide range of thought and expression
- Incorporation of current information technology
- An inviting and user friendly facility
- Active involvement in the community
- A wide range of youth and adult programming
- Training staff, board and volunteers

FY 2027-2028 represents year one of a 3-year plan outlining goals for our library. This fiscal year we will endeavor to expand upon the library programs and services that have taken root in the previous planning cycle, and introduce some small innovations. In the coming years, we will continue our successful efforts as established, but will trim some less successful endeavors. We will try out some new services, outreach opportunities, and programming will be adopted. FY 2026-2027 was, once again, spent by our new library director in navigating operations without solid support from the city financial structure, but the Library Advisory Board has become a very dependable unit. Added to the always helpful Friends Of Weston Library, FY 2027-2028 will be spent rising to the forefront of solid output for what our Weston community needs.

1. Goal: To increase Library use and promote literacy in our youth

What community needs are you addressing: The need to nurture and grow library users in the community. To enhance literacy in our community, starting with youth.

Priorities: Early Childhood Programs, K-12 Youth Programs

FY 2027-2028 -Year 1 activities

- Continue all successful activities from previous planning cycle
- Offer at least 25 preschool storytime sessions
- Offer 6 weeks of Summer Reading Program activities
- Provide readers' advisory services
- Manage the library collection, including acquisition, weeding and materials preservation
- Offer special library events for kids, i.e. Santa visits, Trick or Treating, book bag handouts
- Offer at least 3 after school Library activities for youth

FY 2028-2029 – Year 2 activities

- Continue all successful activities from previous 3-Year planning cycle
- Offer at least 3 science and/or history programs specific to young library users
- Pursue educational partnerships with other county entities

FY 2029-2030 -Year 3 activities, beginning of new planning cycle

- Continue to offer all successful Year 1 activities

2. Goal: To promote the Library as a friendly, active center of rural community life

What community needs are you addressing: The need for members of the community to get back into the habit of using the library for recreation, research,

and public computer use after two years of limited access to the facility due to the pandemic.

Priorities: Welcoming/User Friendly Atmosphere

FY 2027-2028 -Year 1 activities

- Offer 12 monthly adult book group sessions
- Host Friends of Weston Library annual meeting, featuring a guest speaker
- Host Friends of Weston Library annual used book sale
- Host 1 speaker of interest per quarter
- Continue book delivery and curbside
- Hold regular monthly meetings in the library building
- Acquire and stock an aquarium
- Repair back deck
- Install a window seat
- Hold small programs outdoors in the library yard and on the library deck

FY 2028-2029 – Year 2 activities

- Continue all successful activities from Years 1 & 2
- Increase speakers to 2 per quarter
- Acquire and install a light over the children's area reading chair

FY 2029-2030 -Year 1 activities, beginning of new planning cycle

- Continue to offer all successful activities from previous 3-Year planning cycle
- Increase special programming

3. Goal: To promote the Library as an integral part of City government

What community needs are you addressing: The need for members of the community to recognize the library as another valuable resource for city government and citizen needs.

Priorities: Accepting Some Carefully Chosen New Responsibilities

FY 2027-2028 -Year 1 activities

- Continue all successful activities from previous planning cycle
- Implement Medical Telehealth meetings

FY 2028-2029 – Year 2 activities

- Continue all successful activities from Year 1
- Search out and implement distance learning resources
- Search out and implement video support groups for senior health

FY 2029-2030 -Year 3 activities, beginning of new planning cycle

- Continue all successful activities from Year 2planning cycle