

Westwood Public Library
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Stimulate Curiosity and Imagination -- Reading, Viewing and Listening for Pleasure: Residents will have easy access to materials that will enhance their leisure time and will have the help they need to make choices from among the options						
<u>Objective1: Library patrons will easily find the materials they want, either in our collections or within the network.</u>						
Action: Provide collection of materials that is balanced between physical and electronic formats	X	X	X	X	X	X
<u>Objective 2: Provide enhanced Readers Advisory services and programming for patrons</u>						
Action 1: Maintain knowledgeable, positive, customer service-oriented staff who can help people find and evaluate information in all formats	X	X	X	X	X	X
Action 2: Increase and expand patron and staff awareness of mysteries and variety of mystery genres as part of Readers' Advisory Initiative			X			
Action 3: Increase # and type of Book Groups supported by the Library			X			
<u>Objective 3: Develop "One Book One Town" Program to be held regularly</u>						
Action 1: Collaborate and partner with other local groups and town departments to develop community based committee for a One Book One Town Programming Initiative			X			
<u>Objective 4 Increase circulation of materials of all types</u>						
Action 1: Provide additional copies of relevant and high demand titles through purchase of additional copies.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Action 2: Research purchase of Rokus for public circulation			X			
Action 3: Increase patron usage of digital content	X	X	X	X	X	X
<u>Objective 5: Create additional publicity - including outreach and regular publishing Library Newsletter (electronic-online)</u>						
Action 1: Publish regular online newsletter to be distributed electronically		X				
Livelong Learning - Make informed decisions and satisfy curiosity: express creativity, create and share content: Westwood residents will have the resources that they need to explore topics of personal interest. They will be encouraged to read, explore and discover new ideas at all stages of life and continue to learn throughout their lives						
<u>Objective 1: Residents will see library as a place to go for help creating original work</u>						
Action 1: Library will create a makerspace environment to encourage creation of diverse types of content				X	X	X
Action 2: Library will offer hands-on workshops in a variety of media for residents of all ages			X	X		
Action 3: Library will seek partnerships and donations to ensure sustainability of makerspaces				X	X	X
<u>Objective 2: Library will take appropriate steps to ensure that materials of local significance and interest are preserved for future generations</u>						
Action 1: Identify materials in library or other collections (town department/ local organizations) as candidates for digitization.					X	X

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<u>Objective 3: Library will provide an array of services and offerings to people of all ages</u>						
Action 1: Partner with other local organizations to co-sponsor lectures or demonstrations on topics of interest to a wide variety of age groups			X	X		
Action 2: Library staff will reach out to groups of residents who are underserved by the Library to help them become library users			X	X		
Action 3: Library staff will enhance collections, services and programming for teens and 'tweens			X	X		
Action 4: Continue to expand collaborative efforts and activities between Westwood Public Library and Westwood Public Schools			X	X		
<u>Objective 3: Provide entrepreneurial/ arts programming to provide greater support for local businesses, artists and authors</u>			X	X		
Action 1: Identify programming opportunities to showcase interests, talents and skills of local residents				X	X	
Action 2: Establish annual meeting (program) featuring local Westwood authors				X	X	
Action 3: Develop intergenerational programming				X	X	
Action 4: Explore collaborative and networking events or initiatives to support local entrepreneurs, businesses and the arts				X	X	
Create Young Readers - Birth through age 18: Foster a culture of literacy that engages and captures the imagination of young readers and keeps them engaged with reading and literacy throughout their youth						
<u>Objective 1: Increase # and variety of materials that reflect the ethnicities and languages represented by the residents of Westwood</u>						
Action 1: Measure the demand for materials in foreign languages			X			
<u>Objective 2: Expand children's and youth programming to attract wider audience</u>						
Action 1: Establish more formalized liasions with Middle and High School teachers and librarians		X	X			
Action 2: Explore opportunities for focused programming specific to Middle and High School Students		X	X			
Action 3: Request additional staffing - YA Librarian			X	X		
Visit a Comfortable Place: The Westwood Public Library will be the "hub" of the community. Residents of all ages will have safe and welcoming physical places to meet and interact with others or to sit quietly and read, work and study and will have open and accessible virtual spaces that support collaboration and networking.						
<u>Objective 1: Make Library resources more accessible to all community members</u>						
Action 1: Bring library resources to where people are				X	X	X
Action 2: Establish WWPL as civic focal point and resource				X	X	X
Action 3: Explore options for increased access to assistive technologies				X	X	X
Action 4: Explore circulating ipads preloaded with apps (to assist people with autism and learning difficulties) and to promote general literacy				X	X	X

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<u>Objective 2: Library Trustees and staff will work with town officials to determine best options to make Islington Branch a 21st century library that will meet residents' needs for years to come</u>						
Action 1: Review layout and program space needs for Islington Branch Library				X	X	X
<u>Objective 3: Library will continue to provide meeting space for groups to gather for club meetings, discussions, lectures and other activities</u>						
Action 1: Library staff will explore how to enhance meeting spaces to respond to needs of local groups				X	X	X
Action 2: Lighting, shelving and seating will be evaluated, potentially to carve out smaller "living room" spaces				X	X	X
Action 3: Explore noise mitigation options for gallery and second floor of main library			X	X		
<u>Objective 4: Explore options for improved communication (internal and external) for library events and programs</u>		X	X			
Action 1: Enhance library's social media presence and interaction with community		X	X			
Action 2: Explore information screens/monitors to display current events and programs			X	X		
Action 3: Create and publish regular Library newsletter (electronic/online)		X	X			
<u>Objective 5: Address the role of the public library in responding to public safety and security concerns</u>						
Action 1: In conjunction with public safety officials, develop plans to address public safety concerns			X	X		