Hanson Public Library Accessibility, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy

The Hanson Public Library seeks to be an accessible, diverse, equitable, and inclusive (ADEI) resource to Hanson and the surrounding communities. In conjunction with our mission to foster life-long learning in our community is our commitment to learn how to best support and welcome all people - and to remedy ways in which we are not living up to this commitment.

In order to embody these values, we are taking the following steps:

- Increasing our outreach efforts and diversifying program offerings to meet the needs of underserved populations;
- Diversifying our physical and digital collections to better represent a culturally and racially diverse public;
- Evaluating our programs, services, and policies on a continual basis as a reflection of our understanding that accessibility, diversity, equity, and inclusion are fluid ideas that shift with the changing needs of populations; and
- Seeking opportunities to regularly incorporate ADEI topics into staff development and public programs.

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