

DOWNINGTOWN LIBRARY COMPANY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ORGANIZATION POLICY

The Board of Trustees recognizes the need for total community involvement in providing quality library services and accepts the philosophy that Friends of the Library are highly desirable since they provide an excellent bridge between the library and the community.

The recognized Friends of the Library organization is called The Friends of the Downingtown Library Company.

The Board of Trustees recognizes that as an organization solely dedicated to the support and promotion of the Downingtown Library Company, the Friends may utilize the library's facilities and non-profit status for this purpose.

The Board of Trustees recognizes that this organization is an independent, self-supporting entity with its own enacted bylaws.

Members of the Friends Executive Board cannot be on the library's staff or serve as a member of the Library's Board of Trustees.

The Library Director, or designee, is the liaison to the Friends of the Downingtown Library Company. The Friends are kept informed of the library's plans, progress and challenges by the liaison.

A Friends officer is welcomed and encouraged to attend the library's Board of Trustees meetings to report Friends issues and activities to the Trustees and report back to the Friends.

Fundraising by the Friends is done with the knowledge and coordination of the Trustees and the Library Director (or designee).

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