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MISSION STATEMENT – RENSSELAERVILLE LIBRARY

The Rensselaerville Library works to preserve a comfortable historical gathering place that is open, free and inviting to all of the residents of the 5 hamlets and environs. We strive to awaken and promote a life-long love of reading and learning by fostering personal connections and providing access to a stimulating variety of texts, technology and programming.

GOALS (SHORT-TERM & LONG-TERM; 1-5 YEARS)

Building/Facilities

1. Finish the basement and renovations of the children's section
2. Update the apartment
3. Update the front entrance (including sidewalk and handicap access)
4. Finish garden in back and improve access

Financial

1. Recoup library's restitution monies
2. Reduce dependency on fundraisers
3. Establish endowment funds
4. Fund vacation, sick and extra hours for Library Director
5. Target need-specific solicitation
6. Actively seek grants for everything

Services

1. Outreach
Keep working with preschool program (Nature's Way and Humpty Dumpty)
Consider additional pick-up and drop-off locations (Medusa General Store)
2. Improve Collection
Children's collection (possibly form committee)
Young Adult collection (possibly form committee)
3. Offer programming without fundraising focus
Offer technology courses (digital photography, on-line searching)

Administrative

1. Adopt and implement a Five Year Plan
2. Create a manual of adopted policies
3. Create a personnel manual
4. Enhance public relations with community
5. Continue participation in UHLS