

## MISSION, VISION AND VALUES

### **Mission Statement**

Elmhurst Public Library enriches life in Elmhurst by providing opportunities to explore, learn and grow.

### **Vision Statement**

Elmhurst Public Library will be a place for discovery at the heart of the community. The Library will provide the support and resources for Elmhurst residents to

- develop a love of reading
- access information for work and learning
- pursue interests that will enrich their lives
- understand changes in technology, society and culture
- gather and interact with each other

### **Values Statement**

Elmhurst Public Library values:

#### **RESPECT**

- We provide an environment that is welcoming to all.
- We protect the privacy of library users.
- We defend intellectual freedom.
- We respect all points of view.
- We believe that everyone has the right to be treated with respect.

#### **INTEGRITY**

- We commit to going the extra mile.
- We listen to our community.
- We put the public interest first in our decision-making.
- We are fiscally responsible.
- We protect the community's investment by maintaining the library facility in top condition
- We minimize our environmental impact.

#### **ACCESS**

- We provide equal access to information for all.
- We facilitate convenient access to library resources.
- We employ friendly and approachable staff.

#### **LEARNING**

- We foster literacy.
- We support lifelong learning.
- We provide diverse resources and programs.
- We hire well-qualified staff and support their continued learning.
- We encourage collaboration among staff and with community organizations.