



## **Skokie Public Library: The Heart of a Vibrant Village**

National Library Week celebrates the importance of libraries in the communities they serve. These resources provide an understanding of basic library values and allow you to connect with Skokie Public Library in a number of ways.

### **Read**

#### **Skokie Public Library Culture Statement**

<https://skokielibrary.info/about/staff/culture/>

The library's culture statement was developed using feedback from all staff about aspirations for the workplace and components for the ideal work environment. The library formally adopted this statement in 2015 with the understanding that it is a living document requiring daily practice.

#### **Skokie Public Library Strategic Plan 2016-2019**

<https://skokielibrary.info/about/strategic-plan/>

Every three years the library produces a strategic plan with core goals for the near future. These goals are aspirational and describe what we want to work toward, both within the library and within the larger community. While the core goals remain the same for the duration of the strategic plan, the way we work toward those goals evolves.

#### **The Library Bill of Rights**

<http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill>

Libraries adhere to the Library Bill of Rights in order to protect the intellectual freedom of all library users, including the right to read freely and to access information. First adopted in 1939 by the American Library Association, the Library Bill of Rights remains a cornerstone of library values.



## **Connect**

### **Skokie Public Library Facebook & Twitter**

<https://www.facebook.com/skokielibrary>

<https://twitter.com/skokielibrary>

Connect with us on Facebook and Twitter, where we post information about events, profile patrons, and share articles and information related to Skokie and libraries.

### **Skokie Public Library Instagram**

<https://www.instagram.com/skokielibrary>

See the library through the lens of our staff photographer. Our posts feature spots around the library, scenes from our events, and profiles of both patrons and staff.

### **Skokie Public Library YouTube Channel**

<https://www.youtube.com/skokielibrary>

Learn more about the library, meet members of the Skokie community, and discover how-tos, sing-alongs, and more on the library's YouTube channel.

## **Reflect and Share**

1. What is your first library memory?
2. How has your experience using the library changed in the last 5 years? 10 years?
3. What should be the role of a library in a 21<sup>st</sup> century village?