



SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

I. Purpose

The Sun Prairie Public Library (SPPL) believes that in order to fulfill our purpose in serving the community, we must be engaged in environmentally sound and socioeconomically sustainable practices and strive to be a leader in modeling these actions.

II. Definition

The Sun Prairie Public Library believes that in order to carry out this Sustainability Policy, SPPL must adopt the “Triple Bottom Line” mindset of sustainability as defined by the American Library Association (ALA). “To be truly sustainable an organization or community must embody practices that are environmentally sound and economically feasible and socially equitable”.

III. Guidelines and Goals

- A.** SPPL participates in resource-sharing with the South Central Library System.
- B.** SPPL staff participates in professional development and training opportunities on the topic of sustainability as defined by the ALA.
- C.** SPPL works closely with the City of Sun Prairie on City-wide sustainability goals in order to limit the environmental and ecological impacts of SPPL’s operations.
- D.** SPPL offers programming and resources on environmental sustainability.
- E.** SPPL identifies and uses products and materials whenever practical, items that are the most energy-efficient and environmentally sound.
- F.** SPPL strives to reuse, repurpose, recycle, and responsibly dispose materials and equipment that have reached the end of their useful life.
- G.** SPPL actively seeks methods to measure its environmental, social, and economic impact, and communicate results.

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