

**BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY
POLICY MANUAL
SECTION V – MATERIALS SELECTION AND COLLECTION
DEVELOPMENT**

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY

In keeping with the mission of the Bloomfield Township Public Library, the collection of the library shall respond to the needs and interests, both immediate and future, of Bloomfield Township residents. In addition, the library shall include a permanent collection of local history materials emphasizing the Bloomfield area.

The Library Board of Trustees shall authorize the Library Director to develop and communicate the guidelines for collection development and to oversee their implementation. Such guidelines shall describe selection for addition to as well as removal from the collection.

Should a Bloomfield Township resident object to an item's inclusion in the collection, a review process conducted by the Library Director shall be observed. This process shall require submission of a written request for reconsideration by the resident of which the Library Board of Trustees shall be apprised.

Collection development at Bloomfield Township Public Library recognizes a wide range of viewpoints in the community. BTPL subscribes to the principles expressed in the following documents of the American Library Association: the [Library Bill of Rights](#), [Freedom to Read](#) statement, and [Freedom to View](#) statement.

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