

Diversity and Inclusion Statement

The Burlington Public Library Board believes that a diverse and pluralistic society is central to our community's identity. Libraries have a responsibility to contribute to a culture that recognizes diversity and fosters social inclusion.

Libraries strive to deliver inclusive service. Burlington Public Library recognizes and energetically affirms the dignity of those they serve, regardless of heritage, education, beliefs, race, income, religion, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental capabilities.

Burlington Public Library understands that an acceptance of differences can place individual and collective values in conflict. The Library is committed to offering an environment of tolerance and understanding. Burlington Public Library acts to ensure that people can enjoy services free from any attempt by others to impose values, religions, customs, or beliefs.

(Adapted from the CFLA Statement on Diversity and Inclusion.
Acknowledgment - Canadian Library Association (CLA), Approved May 25, 2008)

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