

# Library Establishment Policy

## Policy Statement

The mission of the Rochester Hills Public Library is to provide resources to inform, educate, enlighten and entertain the people of our community.

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## Regulations

1. The Rochester Hills Public Library is established and operated in compliance with the Michigan law.<sup>1</sup>
  2. The library is in compliance with all other Michigan laws that affect library operations.<sup>2</sup>
  3. The library is in compliance with all federal laws that affect library operations.<sup>3</sup>
  4. The service area includes all of Rochester Hills, Oakland Township and the City of Rochester. The latter two communities are served on a contractual basis.
  5. The library is governed by a six-member elected governing board as provided under Michigan law.<sup>4</sup>
  6. The library is funded through a voter-approved millage that was passed in perpetuity in April 1924 and is annually adjusted.<sup>5</sup>
  7. The board adopts and adheres to the principles set forth in the American Library Association's (ALA's) *ALA Code of Ethics* and ALA intellectual freedom statements.
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 Rochester Hills Public Library Board of Trustees

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<sup>1</sup> City, Village, and Township Libraries Act, Act 164 of 1877, Sec. 10

<sup>2</sup> Including but not limited to the MCL 15.231 *et seq.* Freedom of Information Act, the MCL 15.261 *et seq.* Open Meetings Act; the MCL 37.1101 *et seq.* Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act; MCL 141.421 *et seq.* Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act; MCL 397.171 *et seq.* District Library Financing Act; and the MCL 397.601 *et seq.* Library Privacy Act

<sup>3</sup> Including but not limited to 42 USC 12101 *et seq.* Americans with Disabilities Act and the 29 USC 201 *et seq.* Fair Labor Standards Act

<sup>4</sup> City, Village, and Township Libraries Act, Act 164 of 1877, Sec. 10

<sup>5</sup> *Michigan Constitution*, Art IX sec 6, & 25-34