



Sustainability Policy

Public libraries play a central role as both leader and educator in the community. The Mendon Public Library wants to use this power to lead by example and spark community conversations about resiliency and sustainability. In joining the Sustainable Libraries Initiative, we will work towards becoming more environmentally sound, socially equitable and economically feasible. These three pillars make up the “Triple Bottom Line,” that encompasses the Sustainable Library Initiative.

Our Library Board of Trustees, Administration, and staff are committed to reducing our environmental footprint and promoting environmental stewardship at all levels of our organization. The Library supports sustainable principles that ensure a resilient, sustainable community and Library for all residents. We strive for economic efficiency, to conserve energy, support renewable energy resources, minimize pollution and waste, protect our habitat and buy environmentally friendly products.

The Administration and the Board of Trustees will encourage Library staff to be proactive and apply sustainable thinking in the areas of their facilities, operations, policy, technology, programming and partnerships. All employees will receive a copy of this policy and will be educated about the Library’s efforts to strive towards the “Triple Bottom Line” definition of sustainability: using practices that are environmentally sound, economically feasible, and socially equitable.