

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ORGANIZATIONS

### General Statement of Support

- The Board of Trustees recognizes the need for community involvement in providing quality library services and accepts the philosophy that Friends of the Library are highly desirable since they provide an excellent bridge between the library and the community.
- The recognized Friends of the Library organizations are:
  - a. The Friends of the Chester County Library
  - b. The Friends of the Henrietta Hankin Branch Library
- The Board of Trustees recognizes that these organizations are independent and self-supporting entities with developed and enacted bylaws.
- Board members of Friends groups cannot be on the Library's staff or serve as a member of the Library's Board of Trustees.
- The Library Director, or designee, is the liaison to the Friends of the Library. Friends are kept informed of the libraries' plans, progress and challenges by the liaisons.
- A Friends officer is welcomed and encouraged to attend the library's Board of Trustees meetings to report Friends issues and activities to the Trustees and report back to the Friends.
- Fundraising by the Friends is done with the knowledge and coordination of the Trustees and the Library Director, or the Director's designee.

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