

## Value Statement

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Chinook Arch Library Board affirms:

- access to library services should be equitable and universal
- the public library is an integral part of the community
- library boards can further enhance services by cooperating and sharing with other information agencies
- the Regional Library System achieves the most efficient use of all available library resources: people, funds, materials, facilities, and technology
- the Regional Library System enhances member libraries by providing and assisting with programs and services without sacrificing local autonomy
- the Regional Library System is effective when its Board members actively participate in System governance
- the Regional Library System enhances the ability of the library to provide information and improve access to library resources and information for communities
- the Regional Library System facilitates networking among libraries
- the Regional Library System enables member libraries to devote more time to developing creative and responsive public programs and services
- Board members must represent the interests of the Regional Library System as a whole
- in the principles expressed in the Canadian Federation of Library Associations Statement on Intellectual Freedom and Libraries (<http://cfla-fcab.ca/en/guidelines-and-position-papers/statement-on-intellectual-freedom-and-libraries/>).

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