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COOPERATION WITH LIBRARIES & OTHER ORGANIZATIONS	Tracking Record Date Approved: 2/13/95 Revised: 5/15/03 Reviewed: 8/12/08

Philosophy

The Cromaine District Library actively promotes cooperation with other libraries and organizations to ensure its users access to the information they need. Within limits set by policy and budget, the library's resources are available to any customer, even if he or she has access to other libraries, whether public, academic, school or special. Whenever possible, reciprocal arrangements are made with these other libraries so that the combined resources of the entire library community may be used to satisfy the information needs of the public.

The library supports planning for and participation in networks of cooperating libraries to share resources and technology, exchange information and avoid unnecessary duplication of materials. The library also makes available materials for other libraries through existing state and regional interlibrary loan systems.

The library is open to staffs of other libraries and encourages formal and informal continuing education of its own staff through conference, workshops and field trips at other library facilities.

The library believes that through cooperative efforts, a larger share of the public will better understand the function and value of library service, and libraries in general will benefit from a broader base of support.

Cooperation With Community Organizations

As a courtesy to community organizations, the library will support their activities by:

- Posting information about the organization and its activities on the library bulletin board and website.
- Selling tickets and gift items at the Circulation Desk for community organizations located in the library district.

Community organizations are non-profit organizations based in the library district which are open to, and provide services, for the entire library district. Organizations included are non profit agencies, professional organizations and tax-supported agencies. Livingston County 501(c)(3) organizations are also considered community organizations

Cooperation With Hartland Consolidated Schools

In recognition of the fact that the school and public library serve many of the same customers, the Cromaine District Library seeks to promote close cooperation and sharing of resources between institutions. Such cooperation may include:

- Room collections of materials for teachers' classroom use.
- Library tours and orientations for classes.
- Interlibrary loan of materials.
- Class visitations by Cromaine librarians to promote library programs and services.
- Networking through electronic resources. In general, however, the school libraries should be considered the primary resources for the students' assignments. The Cromaine District Library should provide materials for in-depth study research and creative use of leisure time.

Cooperation With The Library Network

The Cromaine District Library shall maintain membership in The Library Network to:

- Obtain services for Cromaine District Library customers beyond the scope or capability of the library.
- Participate in the cooperative purchasing of library materials, supplies, services, etc. to obtain the lowest possible cost to taxpayers.