

Tri-Township Public Library District: Long Range Plan 2026-2030

Introduction

This Long Range Plan for 2026-2030 outlines the Tri-Township Public Library District's strategic vision for the next five years. Developed in response to valuable community feedback and a comprehensive needs analysis, this plan serves as a roadmap to enhance our services, spaces, and overall community engagement. Our commitment is to evolve with the needs of our residents and continue to serve as a vital hub for knowledge, connection, and growth.

Our Goals for 2026-2030

Goal 1: Establish Quiet Space and/or Quiet Times in the Library (2026)

- Evaluate furniture arrangements and consider using movable shelves and dividers to create designated quiet zones.
- Designate and enforce a specific quiet time through clear signage and staff guidance.

Goal 2: Create Adaptable Meeting Space (2027)

- Renovate the existing meeting room and update the Room Reservation form to streamline the booking process.
- Promote the form and space availability using multiple media channels and
- Keep statistics on current meeting space usage to make data-based decisions.

Goal 3: Explore Opportunities to Expand Eligible Cardholders (2028)

- Research state requirements for library card eligibility to identify potential expansion opportunities.
- Reestablish communication with neighboring areas to explore possibilities.
- Increase outreach to community and neighboring areas
- Develop a plan to increase card holders.

Goal 4: Increase Engagement with Various Community Groups (2029)

- Collaborate with local schools and home schoolers to develop programs and services that support learning.
- Identify underserved populations and develop services and programs to meet their needs.
- Foster a community hub by providing a safe, welcoming, and inclusive space.

- Support community needs by acting as a central, accessible location for various community groups to gather and hold meetings.

Goal 5: Expand Our Physical Collection (Ongoing)

- Analyze community reading trends to inform purchasing decisions and ensure our collection remains relevant.
- Update and promote the Materials Request Form to encourage more patron input and suggestions.
- Maintain a diverse and inclusive collection of materials.

Goal 6: Preliminary Discussions for Library Expansion of Building and Services (2030)

- Reevaluate the current use of space and analyze community survey results to address key needs (child, teen and adult, seating areas, etc.).
- Increase promotions and outreach to the community regarding programs and services
- Conduct a feasibility study for a bookmobile.
- Keep up with technology and digital offerings.
- Launch new and expanded programming for teens focused on building social skills and fostering leadership opportunities.

This plan represents our commitment to serving the Tri-Township Public Library District. We will regularly review and adjust these goals to ensure we remain responsive to the needs of our community.