

Middleton Public Library

GIFT POLICY

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- (A) According to the Wisconsin State Statutes s. 43.58 (Power and Duties), “the library board shall have exclusive control of the expenditures of all money collected, donated or appropriated to the library fund.”
- (B) The funds described in this policy are included within the scope of this statement of Power and Duties.

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- (A) Books, pamphlets, periodicals, audiovisual materials, and other items are accepted with the understanding that the library has the authority to make whatever disposition of the materials deemed advisable, discarding them if conditions warrant, per Collection Development Policy IV (G).
- (B) Gifts of money, real property, art objects, portraits, antiques, and other museum objects are accepted or rejected on the basis of suitability to the library's mission, decor, and availability of space for display, as well as the understanding that the library has the authority to make whatever disposition is deemed advisable, which may include sale, transfer to another agency, and so forth.
- (C) Gifts become the permanent property of the library, unless specified as a temporary gift. The terms of acceptance of a temporary gift are at the discretion of the Library Director.

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