



Valley Community Library
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<http://lclshome.org/valley>

Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Policy

Overview

The Valley Community Library, as part of its mission “to provide equal access to educational and entertainment resources for all in the community and to promote reading and lifelong learning,” will strive to make accommodations for persons with disabilities. VCL complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended.

Requesting Accommodation

The library provides an Accommodation Request Form that can be used to request accommodation. This form is available via the library’s website at <https://lclshome.org/accessibility/>. If needed, responses can be dictated to a staff member.

Service Animals

The Valley Community Library will allow service dogs to accompany patrons with disabilities in public areas. The dog may be of any breed. Additionally, miniature horses are allowed under the ADA. The dog (or miniature horse) is not required to wear a vest, and the library, per ADA requirements, will not require the patron to show proof of certification. Instead, the patron / handler may be asked the following questions:

- Is the service animal required because of a disability?
- What work or task has the animal been trained to perform?

If a service animal is out of control, and the patron / handler does not take effective action to control it, or if the animal is not housebroken, the library may ask the patron / handler to remove the animal from the library. Staff will offer the patron / handler the opportunity to receive goods or services without the animal’s presence. The patron / handler is solely responsible for any / all damages or injuries caused by the animal. Under no circumstance will VCL bear any responsibility for any damages to library patrons, staff, or property.

Programming & Meeting Accessibility

Any person needing an accommodation for a disability to access the library’s services, programs, activities, or meetings should submit an Accommodation Request Form not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the program. Requests submitted less than

fourteen (14) days prior to the programs, activities, or meetings might not be able to be fulfilled.

Accommodations to Persons with a Disability

Staff will assist a patron with a disability in any reasonable way. This includes opening doors, carrying and retrieving library materials, and completing library forms.

The library provides materials in a variety of formats. If a resource is not available in a format that a patron can access due to a disability, the library will attempt to provide equivalent or similar items in a format the patron can use. Such accommodation can be requested through the Accommodation Request Form.