FOOD AND BEVERAGE POLICY

Food and beverage spills can damage Library facilities, collections, and equipment and/or attract unwanted pests. Snack consumption is permitted in most areas unless posted signs indicate otherwise. The Library is not responsible for monitoring the building for potential allergens.

Specific guidelines:

- Staff may use their discretion in relocating visitors or asking them to put food away.
- Non-alcoholic beverages that are in secure and covered containers are permitted.
- Food and beverages should not be disruptive (i.e. messy, noisy, etc.).
- Visitors are expected to clean up food and beverage remains before departing the Library.
- Library staff members are authorized to reject any food delivery service from entering the facility.

Visitors are required to abide by the following location restrictions on food/beverage consumption:

- **Computer Areas:** No food or uncovered beverages.
- **Children's Room:** No food or uncovered beverages.
- **Local History and Archival Room:** No food or beverages at all.

The Library reserves the right to sponsor events including food service and/or alcohol. The location and food guidelines specific to each sponsored event are carefully vetted and approved by Library Administration.

Failure to comply with this policy may result in suspension of library privileges as outlined in the **Behavior Policy**.

Approved by the Board of Library Trustees on September 26, 2024.