

LWV OF TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY

Position on

LIBRARY SERVICES IN PIERCE COUNTY

Believing that public libraries serve the common good, the League of Women Voters of Tacoma-Pierce County supports free access to public library services.

Libraries are important to the quality of life of communities, and, like schools and parks, should be funded by all taxpayers.

The LWVT-PC supports adequate funding for library needs. We encourage libraries to explore innovative avenues for expanded sources of funding.

Reciprocal agreements are good public policy, as cooperation among library systems expands access to resources that may not be available in any one system. Library systems should cooperate and coordinate to resolve any issues.

The LWVT-PC supports partnerships with community organizations, schools, and businesses to develop and maintain advocates for libraries. We see Friends of the Library groups as an effective way of increasing local advocacy.

The LWVT-PC supports increased visibility of library services.

The LWVT-PC supports outreach services to those who are not able to come to the library and to those with special needs.

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