

MARTINS FERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY MISSION STATEMENT

Mission Statement

People of a free nation, in order to make wise choices, to develop intellectual competence, and to function as thoughtful and clear-thinking citizens, must have available a large body of reliable information, opinion and thought on issues and questions influencing themselves, their community and their nation. The Martins Ferry Public Library, through its Main Library in Martins Ferry, its five Branch Libraries, and its bookmobile service, has the responsibility of providing such library and information services to people of all ages, all educational levels, and in all areas of Belmont County and its surrounding communities. The staff and Board of Trustees view each person and element of our service population as equally needful of such library service. Within the limitations of budget and space, the role of the Martins Ferry Public Library is to provide books, periodicals, audio, video and graphic materials, electronic information sources, and other types of library information on all subjects in which residents of Martins Ferry and Belmont County may claim an interest or for which they may have a need.