# Lodi Woman's Club Public Library

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#### **Mission Statement:**

We believe the Lodi Woman's Club Public Library is a partner in lifelong learning and vital for the community's quality of life. The Library's Mission is to provide free and nondiscriminatory access to information resources, diverse materials and library services and programs for all people.

#### **Library Co-directors:**

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Information for prospective board members

If you've been through the doors of the Lodi Woman's Club Public Library, then you're already aware of the important resource our library is in this community.

Education, entertainment, and access to the internet - these are just a few of the many vital services provided by our local library.

## About the library:

The Lodi Public Library circulates nearly 100,000 items each year. And take into consideration that each of those items gets checked out, checked in, returned to the shelves, transferred to another library, placed on the hold shelf ... whew!

City of Lodi and Town of Lodi residents are the biggest users of the Lodi Public Library, but we regularly serve patrons from about seven additional surrounding communities.

The library's annual budget exceeds \$300,000. Library staff includes two full-time librarians and nine part-time employees.

# Library support:

Our library was founded in 1900 by the Lodi Woman's Club. While we're now a public library, there's still a strong tie with the club - our library's name still commemorates the legacy of those pioneering Lodi ladies.

The Lodi Public Library is a department of the City of Lodi, but it operates a little differently than other departments. That's because Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 43 outlines the rights and responsibilities of public libraries in the state.

Library funding comes from taxpayers in the City of Lodi and Columbia County, with supplementary income from federal grants, state grants, and donations generously provided by local businesses and individuals.

## The library board of trustees:

The Library Board helps manage library operations. Once each month, for about 2-3 hours, the library board meets to review the budget numbers along with personnel, policy, and programming issues the library faces.

It's the library board's responsibility to insure that library staff have the resources needed to serve our communities. Board member terms are three years.

The time commitment for a board member increases if you decide to serve as an officer. Board officer elections are held annually in May. Becoming an officer is a decision that's completely up to you. If you have the time, we would love to put your management skills to work.

#### Benefits of involvement:

- Meet some great people.
- · Keep your local library strong.
- Shape the future of the library in our community.
- Feel like you have accomplished something important for your friends and neighbors.
- Know that people have access to resources they need because of your efforts.

All things you can feel good about!

### Let's set up a talk:

We know that you've got more questions. And we'd love to provide more information about serving on the Lodi Public Library Board of Trustees.

You can meet with a current board member, talk to the library co-directors, or sit in on a meeting to see what it's all about. Just let us know how to answer your questions.

This type of community involvement is crucial to helping the library meet our local needs - please consider donating some of your time.