Aurora Public Library Board of Directors Equity and Inclusion Statement

The Aurora Public Library and the Board of Trustees stand in solidarity against any and all forms of racism, brutality and hate. The unjust and senseless murder of black people, and people of color, cannot, and will not, be tolerated. These deaths betray the foundations of the United States and the promise of “justice for all.”

May the loud cry of racial inequality and injustice deafen our ears and ignite real and transformative change.

This, however, will not happen until we look inward and hold ourselves, and others, accountable. We are responsible. Now is the time to demand real reform from all levels of government.

The fundamental mission of all public libraries is to create equity in our society by providing access to library materials, information and enrichment activities for everyone. We want to equip and empower all people through literacy and the arts.

We must not be deterred in our pursuit of racial equality and justice as these pursuits will impact and shape many generations to come. The library is and will remain committed to a program of action to support racial justice. Join us as we better ourselves and our community.

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