

Purpose:

To establish a healthy environment, grounded in RPL's values, that supports community services, spaces, and technologies to inspire discovery, learning, and connection.

Objective:

The objective of this policy is to outline the circumstances under which RPL partners with other organizations for mutual benefit.

Delegated Authority:

Director, Community Engagement and Programming

Legislated Authority:

The Public Libraries Act, 1996, s.67

Other Relevant Documents

- Community Engagement Framework and Partnership Strategy
- Adult Programs Policy

Application:

This policy applies to all program partnerships throughout RPL.

Policy:

- 1.0. RPL partners with organizations that align with its strategic aspiration, purpose, and values.
- 2.0. RPL participates in partnerships that are mutually beneficial for the participating partners.
- 3.0. RPL does not endorse the views of partner groups.
- 4.0. A partnership between RPL and an organization does not preclude partnerships with other organizations.
- 5.0. Partnerships may be long-term or short-term and may be for a single program or project, or for a series of programs or projects.
- 6.0. All program partnerships with RPL will include a community engagement component.
- 7.0. Partnerships can be formal or informal in nature.

- 8.0. All formal program partnerships will be documented and formalized with a letter, memorandum of understanding, or a formal partnership agreement, which at minimum outlines: purpose of the partnership, roles and responsibilities of the partners, financial relationship of the partners, and duration of the partnership.
- 9.0. RPL reserves the right to terminate any partnership at any time upon notice to the partner(s).
- 10.0. RPL will acknowledge partnerships in a manner appropriate for each situation.