COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES LIST

Directions: Use this list as a starting point to identify key community stakeholders to include in the library planning process. This list is not all-inclusive; selected examples are in parentheses. You will not need to include a representative from each category on your planning committee; those decisions will be based on your particular community needs. You will want to think, however, about how you will keep all key stakeholders informed during your planning process, including those who are not represented on the planning committee.

- **Businesses/ Chambers of Commerce/ Economic Development Organizations**
  Major employers, minority business owners, small business owners, visitor’s centers, Chambers of Commerce (city, county, and ethnic, if any), Economic Development Councils, industry councils

- **Community Services Organizations/Associations/Clubs**
  Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, United Way, AARP, AAUW, American Red Cross, Literacy Organizations, Soroptimists, National Organization for Women, YWCA, YMCA

- **Cultural Groups**
  Theater groups, art leagues, dance supporters, Arts Commission

- **Educational Organizations**
  Public schools, private schools, colleges/universities, PTA or PTO, school boards, home school organizations

- **Ethnic Organizations**
  Ethnic Chambers of Commerce, NAACP, Tribal Councils, Latino/Hispanic groups, Asian groups, Urban League, refugee rights associations

- **Family Services Organizations**
  County Department of Social Services, Family Service Agency

- **Financial Representatives**
  Bankers, credit unions, financial planners, stockbrokers

- **Government/Political Representatives**
  Mayor, city/county manager, city council, county supervisors, city/county fiscal office, city/county planning office, law enforcement officers, job training programs

- **Health Organizations**
  American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, hospitals, public health nurses, public health clinics

- **Legal Organizations**
  Legal aid, ACLU
☑ **Library Representatives**
   School media center staff, college or university librarians, special librarians

☑ **Media Representatives**
   Newspaper, radio, TV, ethnic media, local magazines and newsletters

☑ **Organizations Serving the Disabled**
   Center on Deafness, Council of the Blind, state/county/city health and human services, Easter Seal, Goodwill, independent living centers, United Cerebral Palsy

☑ **Professional Groups**
   Medical associations, board of realtors, bar association, Business and Professional Women

☑ **Religious Groups**
   Ministerial Alliance, youth groups, Jewish community center

☑ **Senior Centers/Service Organizations**
   Area Agency on Aging, senior centers

☑ **Youth Services Organizations**
   Big Brother/Sister, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, FFA, FHA, child abuse agencies, city/county recreation programs, Junior Achievement, Head Start, Even Start, child care associations, local Association for the Education of Young Children, school-age care and enrichment programs