POLICY ON FOOD AND BEVERAGE IN THE LIBRARY

For the comfort and safety of patrons, volunteers, and staff, and the protection of Library property, the following Food and Beverage Policy has been established:

• Patrons are prohibited from consuming food or beverages in the Library unless authorized by the Library Food and Beverage Guidelines below:

FOOD AND BEVERAGE GUIDELINES:
The Julia L. Butterfield Memorial Library strives to create welcoming, clean, and comfortable environments for the public. Consistent with this goal, the Library has adopted the following guidelines for the consumption of food and beverages in public areas of Library facilities:

• As authorized by the Library, food and beverages may be consumed in the Library during special events and/or programs sponsored by the Library. The public will be notified as to when food and beverages will be served.

• Consuming beverages from lidded containers is permitted in the Adult Library Rooms. Lidded containers include covered coffee, water, soda, and juice cups, glass and plastic beverage bottles, and beverage cans.

• The use of “sippy cups” and/or baby bottles are permitted as long as held by a parent or caregiver. Children are not permitted to walk around the Children’s Room with a cup or bottle. Babies may be nursed in the Library.

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