## **Environmental Policy**

The Catskill Public Library and Palenville Branch Library are committed to reducing our environmental footprint and promoting environmental stewardship at all levels of our organization. Our goal is to minimize our organization's impact and maximize future generations' ability to live, work, and play in our shared natural environment, with equal access to clean air, clean water, and natural resources.

Through community programs and internal library procedures, we will strive to minimize pollution and waste, conserve energy and water, protect habitat, support renewable energy resources, and buy environmentally friendly products. These efforts will extend to contractor and supplier relationships. We will encourage contractors and suppliers serving or otherwise acting on behalf of the library to meet our standards of environmental performance. Employee understanding and involvement are essential to the implementation of this environmental policy. All employees will receive a copy of this policy and be educated about the library's efforts to improve our environmental performance. Employees at all levels of the library are welcome to make suggestions to the Director on how to lessen our footprint.

Resolution: Adopted on May 18, 2022 by unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees of the Catskill Public Library.