## **Scenic Regional Library Petitioning Policy**

The Scenic Regional Library upholds the presentation of petitions as a fundamental right of political expression. However, aggressive solicitation toward patrons by petitioners, campaign workers or volunteers is prohibited.

- You may petition outside the library. Petitioning activities must not interfere with patrons' ability to enter or leave the library or library parking lots.
- Petition-gatherers may reserve the library's public meeting room and publicize scheduled times for patrons to sign petitions in that space. However, signage or other materials directing patrons to the meeting room may not be displayed at any location inside or outside the library building.
- Petition-gatherers (those seeking signatures) must not harass, bother, or inconvenience patrons, or badger them or otherwise disturb their peace, and, if a patron is asked to sign a petition and declines, that decision on the part of the patron shall end the matter and the patron shall not be bothered any further with the request for signature.
- If more than one patron complains about the conduct of any single petition-gatherer (and seeker of signatures) then the library may require that such petition-gatherer remove himself or herself from the premises and bar him or her from thereafter seeking signatures on library premises.

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