

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01
NON-RESIDENT LIBRARY CARDS

WHEREAS, the Fox River Valley Public Library District is a tax-supported public library district operating pursuant to 75 ILCS 16, the Public Library District Act of 1991 (the Act) for the benefit of its residents and taxpayers, and residents of the Library District are eligible to receive a free library card; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees may issue non-resident cards pursuant to Illinois statute and Administrative Code (75 ILCS 16/30-55.60, 23 Illinois Administrative Code 3050).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Library Trustees of the Fox River Valley Public Library District, Kane County, Illinois as follows:

- Section 1** A non-resident who, as an individual or as a partner, principal stockholder, or other joint owner, owns or leases property that is taxed for library service or is a senior administrative officer of a firm, business, or other corporation owning taxable property within the district may receive a free library card upon presentation of the most recent tax bill or a copy of the commercial lease for that taxable property.
- Section 2** Veterans qualifying for the Veterans Disability Exemption and their surviving spouses may receive a free library card upon presentation of documentation from the county noting their residence is exempt from property tax.
- Section 3** The Board of Library Trustees exercises its right to waive non-resident fees for all children under the age of 18, regardless of the family's ability to pay for a non-resident card.
- Section 4** The Board of Library Trustees exercises its right to provide non-residents with access to e-resources free of charge.
- Section 5** Criteria for determining the appropriate public library for non-residents includes the participation status of nearby libraries, whether the residence is located within the school district served by the public library, and the proximity of the public library to the residence.
- Section 6** Non-resident card fees are calculated via the Tax Bill Method as prescribed in code to apply the district tax rate to the property's assessed valuation by utilizing the most recent tax bill for property owners. Non-resident renters shall pay a fee equal to 15% of their monthly rent and shall provide a receipt or cancelled check documenting the monthly rent fee for verification.
- Section 7** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

ADOPTED by the Board of Library Trustees of the FOX RIVER VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT, Kane County, Illinois, on the 20th day of January, 2026, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

NOT VOTING: 0

Approved:

Kristina Weber, Ph.D., President
Board of Library Trustees
Fox River Valley Public Library District

Attestation:

Dan Wisniewski, Secretary
Board of Library Trustees
Fox River Valley Public Library District