Disaster Policy

This policy applies to the Clarence Public Library

Introduction

The Clarence Public Library serves as a center of information, education, culture, and entertainment for the residents of the Town of Clarence and Erie County. The Clarence Public Library is committed to providing a safe, welcoming, and accessible environment for the community, its staff and visitors. To support this commitment, the Clarence Public Library maintains a disaster plan which meets the minimum standards under New York State regulation §90.2.

Statement of Policy

The Clarence Public Library recognizes that emergencies and disasters may occur as a result of natural events, fire, facility damage, or other incidents, including those caused by external forces. The Clarence Public Library maintains a disaster plan to provide guidance for responding to such events and to support the safety of individuals, the protection of library property and resources, and the continuity of library operations to the extent possible.

In the event of an incident requiring a coordinated response, the Director and staff of the Clarence Public Library will use the disaster plan to guide appropriate actions and coordinate the response in accordance with the circumstances.

The Clarence Public Library will maintain its disaster plan and review it periodically to support organizational preparedness and the library's ongoing commitment to serving the community.

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