Libraries & Sustainability



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Impact & Inspiration

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Sustainable Communities



Library as Leader & Catalyst

- Model: Sustainable Practices
- Educate: Triple Bottom Line
- Innovate: Tools & Technologies
- Advocate: Promote & Support



Library as Connector & Convener

- Community: Shared Solutions
- Interdependence: Local Self-Sufficiency
- Partnerships: Collective Impact



Library as Resiliency Partner

- Shared Preparation: Emergency Planning & Recovery
- Civility & Cohesion: Respect, Empathy & Understanding



Sustainability: Lens for All Activity

- National Level: ALA Benchmarks & Resources
- State Level: Association Promotion
- Local Level: Community Action



Make the World a Better Place

- Sustainability: Core Value for Librarianship
- Regeneration: Brighter Future for our Communities

PEOPLE

76%

say libraries help them learn new things



43%

think libraries help them focus on things that matter in their lives



78%

feel that public libraries help them find information that is trustworthy and reliable



... and so libraries can

EMPOWER

our communities in sustainable thinking



TACKLE

issues that confront our communities

