

Grand Valley Public Library

Digitalization Collection Development Policy

Digitalization supports the Library's aim to make its local history collection accessible and to ensure their long-term preservation. Digitizing the Library's local history collections makes them available for anyone to use at any time and from anywhere, without visiting the Library in-person. It supports research and life-long learning and enables people to engage with the collection in innovative ways and to create new content for access.

The Grand Valley Public Library embraces new technology, methods of access and preservation strategies while building sustainable digital collections to support and enrich the educational, cultural and historical endeavours of the community.

In considering materials for the Grand Valley Public Library's digital collection the main consideration or priority should be for local history materials from the Town of Grand Valley and area, including the Township of Amaranth and the Township of East Garafraxa.

The Library respects access conditions when delivering digitized materials, both in relating to copyright provisions and agreement with rights holders, including for access to culturally sensitive material. In the case of collection items with not identifiable or traceable copyright owners, the Library takes a risk management approach to digitization. Any person who believes themselves to be the copyright owner of material made available online by the Library is encourage to contact the Library.

When using and reproduction a digitized collection item, the Library asks that the user attributers the work, acknowledges the Library as the source and complies with any copyright or other access restrictions.

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