What We Believe…

- We believe that the arts, humanities, and religion awaken the spirit and exalt the sacred, sustain our intellectual and cultural inheritance, inspire imagination and creativity, and shape our communities.

- We believe that understanding and sharing each community's interlinked narrative (historical, cultural, environmental, economic, and spiritual) creates a sense of place that binds and builds both our personal and collective lives.

- We believe that a healthy community respects and values the traditions, convictions, and contributions of diverse ethnic, religious, and cultural groups.

- We believe that working together enhances creativity, strengthens capacity, creates new opportunities for discovery, and multiplies community impact.

- We believe that building bridges and fostering collaboration between diverse disciplines, traditions, ideas, and cultures requires thoughtful intention.

- We believe in the power of imagination, and trust the ability of our communities to develop creative solutions to the challenges that face us.

- We believe in doing our best at all times, and we seek continuous improvement. We believe that ideas, programs, and resources should be available and accessible to all community members.

- We believe in the efficient and effective use of our resources, and we are accountable for our actions.