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FOOD AND BEVERAGE POLICY

The Carnegie-Stout Public Library strives to create a welcoming, clean, and comfortable environment for the public. Consistent with this goal, the library has adopted the following guidelines for the consumption of food and beverages in public areas of the library facility.

Food in the library poses risks including but not limited to, the attraction of rodents, and pests, and the creation of harmful contaminants like mold. For this reason, consumption of food in the library is restricted to the coffee bar area on the second floor of the historic building. Anyone found with food outside of this area will be asked to immediately dispose of the food in a safe and sanitary manner.

Only beverages in resealable containers, such as bottles with screw tops, and mugs or cups with lids, are allowed in the library. Beverages, regardless of container, are absolutely prohibited at any computer station. Anyone who violates this beverage provision will be asked to immediately dispose of the beverage in a safe and sanitary manner.

The library offers beverages such as coffee, tea, and hot chocolate for sale. Staff sells a cup and lid for self-service in the coffee bar. Patrons may not use their own cup or container at the self-serve coffee bar. It is up to both library staff and patrons to keep the library clean and comfortable. Please dispose of any food or beverage items in the trash receptacles located in or outside of the library. Please notify staff immediately if you spill or if you notice spillage anywhere inside the building.

*By the Library Board of Trustees
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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patty Poggemiller".

*Patty Poggemiller, President
Library Board of Trustees*