

Holiday Display Task Force
Community Objectives grouped by theme
09/19/07

Build & sustain unity.

- The Latin definition of community is; with unity.
- We must do what is right for the community.
- Provide integrity with the broader community.
- Live up to and maintain positive reputation.
- Mutual respect.

Have a display that makes people feel welcomed not alienated.

- Inclusive not exclusive.
- Open minded.
- Maintain a fair, open and democratic process.
- Illustrate the community as a positive role model for everyone including youth and students within the community.
- Make this a cultural celebration not exclusively a religious celebration.

A holiday display should be educative.

- Reflect historical origins of United States culture.
- Honest.
- When creating a recommendation must include value added component.

Find a long lasting solution and policy.

- Create a proactive foundation to be inclusive into the future even as demographics change.

Celebrate diversity. Express inclusiveness. Acknowledge and recognize diversity with appreciation.

- Reflect multi-cultural aspects of our community.
- Appreciate diversity (affirm the diversity within the community).
- Build on and educate our community in a responsible manner around diversity.
- Foster, promote and protect diversity. Protect from discrimination.
- Avoid favoritism and appearance of favoritism.
- Advocate pluralism¹. Create a public policy that addresses pluralism.
- Should be both/and, not either/or.
- Explore commonalities.

Display should be festive

- Encompass joy within our community.
- Provide inspiration with the joy.

¹ A system that includes individuals from groups differing in basic background experiences and cultures. Pluralism allows for the development of a common tradition while preserving the right of each group to maintain its cultural heritage. It implies mutual respect. (Definition from Girl Scouts)