## Rockport Public Library Public Emergency Evacuation Procedure

## **PURPOSE**

To ensure the safe evacuation of public meeting rooms in the event of a fire or other emergency.

## **PROCEDURE**

- 1. Anyone may activate the fire alarm by using the pull stations located throughout the building.
- 2. After pulling the alarm, follow up by calling 8-911 to report the emergency. Give the location—Rockport Public Library—and the nature of the problem and the location within the building.
- 3. Evacuate the building using the nearest exit. Do not use elevator.
- 4. Contain the fire by closing area doors.
- 5. Use the Congregational Church as a general meeting spot.
- 6. Handicapped people may be unable to exit the building without the use of the elevator. Call 8-911 to inform the Fire Department of their location within the building.
- 7. Police must notify the Library director or a Library Trustee of any incident involving emergency personnel within the Library after having evacuated the building.
- 8. People may re-enter the building after the Fire Department has determined that it is safe to do so.

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