**Sex Offender Policy**

In accordance with Chapter 692A of Subtitle 1 of Title 16 of the code of Iowa, the Board of Trustees for the Cresco Public Library prohibits the presence of sex offenders convicted of sex offenses against minors and adults upon or within 300 feet of library property.

Persons barred from library property under the law remain entitled to library service. It is the responsibility of the library user to arrange for a courier to select, check out, and return materials to the library through possession of the library user’s card.

The issuance of a library card to individuals who have been convicted of a sex offense involving a minor or adult does not grant those individuals permission to enter the library or to be present on library property. Individuals convicted of a sex offense against a minor or adult must follow proper library procedures and policies.

Definition of “Loiter”:

Remaining in a place or circulating around a place under circumstances that would warrant a reasonable person to believe that the purpose or effect of the behavior is to enable a sex offender to become familiar with a location where a potential victim may be found, or to satisfy on unlawful sexual desire, or to locate, lure or harass a potential victim.

Suspicious person or persons who appear to be “loitering” will be reported to the police.

Violations of this policy will be immediately reported to law enforcement.

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