# SEKnFind Statement of Vision and Shared Values May 2009

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#### **SEKnFind Vision:**

The people of southeast Kansas have rapid, direct and open access to an enriched and comprehensive shared collection of library resources.

### **SEKnFind Values:**

- Administered by the Southeast Kansas Library System (SEKLS), SEKnFind is a patron-centered, high-quality, affordable and responsive regional catalog.
- Development of SEKnFind is based primarily on patron needs.
- SEKnFind members provide open access to at least 95% of their general, circulating collection. Access is available to all patrons of participating libraries.
- SEKnFind is a shared system with a shared patron database and shared responsibility for maintaining and expanding the system in a professional manner.
- SEKnFind is a rapidly evolving, member-driven system based upon collaboration and open sharing of expertise by all participating libraries.
- The Southeast Kansas Library System (SEKLS) has made a long-term commitment to supporting SEKnFind as a primary system service.
- The Southeast Kansas Library System staff has a primary role for ongoing training and support, with extensive contributions of time and knowledge by SEKnFind participants.
- Patron service standards dictate that some SEKnFind procedures will require standardization across the system, with local control remaining a guiding tenet of SEKLS.

# **Responsibilities of SEKnFind members:**

- To share most materials, regardless of where the borrower is registered.
- To fill holds each day the library is open.
- To maintain confidentiality of patron registration and borrowing information.
- To commit to making the database as clean as possible (no duplicate bibliographic records, standard cataloging practices, etc.)
- To abide by SEKnFind policies and prescribed procedures.
- To share information on SEKnFind problems, solutions and best practices.