

USTA MISSOURI VALLEY TENNIS LIBRARY MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

1. Purpose

The goal of this agreement is to ensure that your local tennis library remains a functional, safe, and inviting resource for the community to access tennis racquets and equipment.

2. Local Volunteer Responsibilities

As the designated volunteer/s, I agree to the following duties:

- **Placement & Access:** Ensure you have received proper approval to place the library in a public space near a tennis court and accessible to the community
- **Set Up:** Once you receive the box you will place decals sent to you onto the receptacle.
- **Acquisition:** Actively seek racquet donations from the community, local clubs, or sporting goods stores to maintain stock levels
- **Inventory Management:** Regularly monitor the library to ensure it is adequately stocked with racquets and tennis balls.
- **Maintenance & Repair:** Perform necessary structural repairs to the library structure (e.g., hinges, weatherproofing, paint) to ensure it remains functional and aesthetic.
- **Communication:** Communicate with USTA Missouri Valley section staff to provide local resources for the pantry as well as, provide a picture and location once the library is in place.

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3. Equipment Safety

While the Local volunteers will monitor the library, all equipment is provided "as-is." The volunteers will remove any equipment that appears visibly broken or unsafe and regrip rackets during regular checks.

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Signatures

Group Name: _____

Address of Tennis Library: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Volunteer: _____ Date: _____

Property/Club Rep: _____ Date: _____

**Check it out ✓
and bring it back
when you're done!**

Bring a USTA Missouri Valley
Tennis Library to your
community!

play tennis

Tennis is
always open
for everyone.

Open to try.
Borrow to play.
Return to share.

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TENNIS LIBRARY DONATIONS

Share the Game. Leave a Racquet.

This library exists to make tennis accessible to everyone in our community. If you have gear gathering dust, give it a second life on the court!

What We Love to Receive:

- **Racquets:** Adult and junior sizes in playable condition.
- **The "Grip" Factor:** Don't worry about the strings too much—most beginners won't notice. However, a "gross" or crumbling grip is the #1 reason people won't use a donated racquet. Keeping a roll of cheap overgrip on hand is a game-changer.
- **New/Lightly Used Balls:** Low Compression Tennis Balls Ideally in cans or clean mesh bags.

What We Cannot Accept:

- **Broken Frames:** Any racquet with a visible crack in the frame or handle.
- **Safety Hazards:** Racquets with exposed metal or sharp edges.
- **General Junk:** Please, no non-tennis sports equipment or household items. No Books/Media
- **Clothing/shoes:** Please do not put these items in the Tennis Library

Quick Checklist Before You Donate:

1. **Give it a Wipe:** A quick damp cloth over the frame makes it much more inviting for the next player.
2. **Check the Grip:** If the grip is "shedding", please consider removing it or letting the Steward know.
3. **Drop it Off:** Simply place your donation inside the library if there is room.
4. **Volunteer Email:** "Tennis is a sport for a lifetime. Thank you for helping someone start theirs today!"