

Library Gardens

The beautiful *Willaman Welcome Garden* brings smiles to the faces of patrons entering the Joshua Road entrance. The garden and nearby bench are memorials to Dr. John J. and Leola L. Willaman, who were avid gardeners and envisioned this property as the community's arboretum. J. J. Willaman served as Friends of the Library Board President from 1955-1964. The Friends Willaman Garden Committee maintains this lovely spot.



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Please take a stroll around and enjoy the library's native plant gardens:

The Leventhal Garden established in 2013 and funded by the Friends of the William Jeanes Memorial Library in honor of long-time Friends Board member and past president, Irwin 'Irv' Leventhal.



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Native Woodland Garden was established in 2015 and funded in part by the **PECO Green Region Open Space Grant** with a matching grant from the **Friends of the William Jeanes Memorial Library**.

Excerpt from the Library 2015 Annual Report: *The Friends of the Library provided the \$3,000 match to enable the library to obtain the PECO Green Region Open Space Grant for \$2,500. The grant supported hiring GreenWeaver landscapes to design a Natural Woodlands using only native plants. Still to be purchased are bird houses and signage. The woodlands are a beautiful addition to the library's landscape and will be used for story times, native plant programs, and relaxation. Volunteers and Acer Consulting, along with GreenWeavers, spent two weekends in April 2016 (one dry and one wet!) preparing and planting the gardens. (several members of the Friends Board joined the volunteers on these weekends).*

