The Homebound program was initiated to provide library services for persons in Rockingham County who are prohibited by a disability from using traditional library facilities. A disabled person is defined by Section 504 Federal Regulations as “any person who has a temporary or permanent physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities, such as caring for one’s self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working; has a record of such impairment or is regarded as having such an impairment.”

The objectives of the Homebound program are:

- To provide information and materials which will improve the social, cultural, psychological, and educational circumstances of a homebound patron;
- To enrich the lives of the Homebound patron and promote their involvement in community affairs by disseminating relevant community information;
- To foster public awareness and involvement with the homebound and elderly.