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Apply for ILA Leadership Institute 2022

After a COVID hiatus, the **ILA Leadership Institute** is coming back. Scheduled for August 3-5, 2022 in Cedar Rapids, ILA planners are now accepting applications from library staff to be accepted into the 2022 Institute. This is a long-standing professional development opportunity, having its start in 2004.

A successful application leads to acceptance into this year's **Institute**. Note there is a fee of \$250.00 for each participant, which includes lodging and most meals. Participants are expected to cover their own travel costs and incidental expenses. Approximately 75% of the costs of the **Institute** (activities, lodging, and meals) are paid for through the generosity of donors, including an LSTA grant through IMLS, with additional funding from the ILA Foundation and ILA subdivisions ILA/ACRL and LLAMA.

Maureen Sullivan, ALA past-president and consultant with more than twenty-five years of experience in strategic planning, leadership, and change management will return as the event facilitator. **ILA's Leadership Institute** has been an immersive and transformative experience for dozens of library leaders across Iowa for nearly 20 years. Participants have an opportunity to connect with a supportive network of successful library leaders, while reflecting on their personal leadership style and developing their leadership skills.

Applications are due May 6, 2022. Candidates selected to attend will be notified by June 1. The online application can be found on the ILA Leadership Development Committee website at the button below. To view application details and questions as a PDF, see this link [Leadership Institute 2022 Application PDF](#). Contact [Erika Raber](#), ILA Leadership & Development Committee Chair with questions.

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Scholarships Available to ARSL Conference

September 14-17 in Chatanooga, TN



Library directors and staff are encouraged to apply for one of four scholarships to attend this fall's conference sponsored by the **Association for Rural and Small Libraries, September 14-17 in Chatanooga, TN.**

Applicants have until **May 3** to submit applications for any of the four scholarships shown below. This opportunity is open to first-time **ARSL Conference** attendees to help cover the cost of in-person attendance.

- ARSL Angels Small & Rural Libraries
- Vavrek Student Scholarships
- Founders Early Career Library Workers
- Ken Davenport Mid-Career Library Workers

Scholarship winners will all receive a complimentary registration to the entire conference, in addition to three paid nights at the conference hotel. Winners of the Dr. Vavrek and the Founders scholarships will also receive a fixed travel stipend.

None of the **ARSL Conference Scholarships** require applicants to have an MLIS or other degree to be eligible. All applicants will be notified of the status of their application before the opening of **Early Bird Registration set for June 14**. Deadline for booking at the conference hotel is August 16. Visit the **ARSL** website at the button below for all details.

[Apply for ARSL Conference Scholarships](#)

Contracting Cities Questionnaire

Please Complete By April 30th

Last week, library directors received a bulletin from State Library Consultant Scott Dermont regarding the **“Contracting Cities Questionnaire for FY23.”** By way of background: a contracting city is one that does not have its own municipal library, but instead pays an annual contractual fee to a nearby established library to allow its citizens access to library services.



From Scott's bulletin to library directors: *“Please report all incorporated cities in Iowa that will contract with your library for service in FY23 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023) Do not include your own city or other governmental agencies like counties or townships. The contract should be written and include a monetary obligation. If your library does not provide service through contract, you do not need to fill out the questionnaire. However, if*

you have done so in the past, but will not be contracting in FY23, it would be helpful if you can fill out your library name and answer "No."

Because of changes to the Open Access program effective July 1, 2017, we require the amount of the contract as well as the city name. This information is used to help library staff determine when an out-of-town customer is eligible for Open Access. Customers from cities without libraries that contract for service are considered eligible for Open Access. Those cities will be listed on the Open Access form and in the "**Contracting Cities**" file on our website.

The **Contracting Cities Questionnaire** is linked at the button below. You do not need a username or password. The questionnaire should take less than 5 minutes to complete depending on the number of cities reported. Once you have completed the questionnaire, click the **Submit Button** located on the bottom right portion of the page.

Please complete the **Contracting Cities Questionnaire** by **April 30, 2022**. Contact [Scott Dermont](#) with questions.

[Fill Out Contracting Cities Questionnaire](#)

ARPA Grant Correction:



Grant Evaluation Due June 30th

All libraries that received an **ARPA grant** last summer, take note: a final project evaluation is part of the process. We had originally published an evaluation due date of April 29 in previous correspondence and on our website, but that date was incorrect.

A link to the final project evaluation will be emailed directly to all **ARPA** grant recipients on Monday May 2, **with a due date of June 30, 2022**. Emily Bainter has updated our website with this information, all corrected dates are there. So here's some nice relax time! Find **ARPA grant information** at the button below.

[ARPA Library Grants Information](#)

ARPA Grant Press Release

And this reminder: if you haven't already done so, take time to announce your library's **ARPA Grant Award** to your local media. Emily Bainter has provided a sample press release for you to customize with all the details about the funding you received and the purpose of your project. Download the Word document template at the same button above, edit with your own information, then share the press release with local media to tell the story of your library's **ARPA Grant**.

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