

Library of the Year Award

Purpose:

To recognize a Florida library that has demonstrated outstanding service to the community it serves.

Eligibility:

Nominees can be a single library or a library system. This award is open to all libraries in the State of Florida including but not limited to academic, public, special, and school libraries.

Criteria:

Key considerations are:

Creativity and/or innovation in programming

Expansion and/or enhancement of service to all constituents and areas of the community: city, county, campus

Leadership in implementing programs that can be emulated by other libraries

What is the budget per capita of the library or library system? _____

What is the total population the library or library system serves? _____

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Creativity and/or innovation in programming	Demonstrates significant creativity and/or innovation in programming (taking into account the budget per capita and population served). Has received awards or recognition for innovation locally or nationally (news, journals, grants, conference announcements, etc.).	[Intentionally left blank]	Demonstrates creativity and/or innovation in programming (taking into account the budget per capita and population served).	Demonstrates some or little creativity and/or innovation in programming, or not enough information is provided to determine (taking into account the budget per capita and population served).
Expansion and/or enhancement of service to all constituents and areas of the community: city, county, campus	Demonstrates a significant expansion of service to all constituents and areas of the community (taking into account the budget per capita and population served). Provides data (charts, graphs, %s) that demonstrate significant growth as a result of expansion/enhancement.	[Intentionally left blank]	Demonstrates expansion of service to most constituents and areas of the community (taking into account the budget per capita and population served). Data is missing elements or incomplete, or data shows growth is very small.	Demonstrates some or little expansion of service to some constituents and areas of the community (taking into account the budget per capita and population served). There is no data to demonstrate growth.

<p>Leadership in implementing programs that can be emulated by other libraries</p>	<p>Library or system demonstrates exceptional leadership in implementing programs that can be easily emulated by other libraries regardless of resource constraints and population served.</p>	<p>Library or system demonstrates good leadership in implementing programs that can be easily emulated by other libraries. May require resources that are not easily obtainable; programs can be easily modified to fit certain target populations.</p>	<p>Library or system demonstrates leadership in implementing programs that can be emulated by other libraries. Will require resources that are difficult to obtain; cannot be modified to fit various populations.</p>	<p>Library or system demonstrates little or no leadership in implementing programs or the programs cannot be emulated by other libraries, or not enough information is provided to determine (taking into account the budget per capita and population served).</p>
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