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Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

- [Digital Communications Specialist](#)
Allen County Public Library
- [Program and Partnership Specialist](#)
Allen County Public Library
- [Director of Facilities and Finance](#)
Cunningham Memorial Library at Indiana State University
- [Adult Services Assistant](#)
Danville-Center Township Public Library
- [Community Outreach Specialist](#)
Goshen Public Library

State Library seeks Talking Book and Braille Library supervisor



The Indiana State Library is currently seeking a supervisor for the Indiana Talking Book and Braille Library.

The Talking Books and Braille Library supervisor will manage all aspects of the Talking Books and Braille collection area. In addition, the supervisor will perform independently at the senior specialist level in the Indiana State Library, providing an advanced level of technical expertise and research and information retrieval expertise in such specialized areas of residents of Indiana who cannot use standard printed materials due to a visual or physical disability.

The essential functions of this role include but are not limited to developing and implementing library services for print impaired Indiana residents; providing training and oversight of the daily operations and staff of the Indiana Talking Book and Braille Library; acting as a liaison to the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled; and serving as an assistive technology expert for the Talking Book department, staying up to date on new technologies and trends.

The candidate must have a background in automated circulation systems; possess strong computer skills in Microsoft Office software, library data systems, and

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[Annual Report and Bookkeeping Workshop](#)
When: Nov. 10, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Where: Indiana State Library and webinar

[Copyright for Libraries: A Refresher](#)
When: Nov. 28, 2-3 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[All Together Now! CSLP 2023 Training and Roundtable - All Ages](#)
When: Nov. 29, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Logansport-Cass County Public Library

[What's Up Wednesday: How Do I Count This in 2022? - Guidelines for Programming Stats](#)
When: Nov. 30, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[All Together Now! CSLP 2023 Training and Roundtable - All Ages](#)
When: Dec. 6, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Tippecanoe County Public Library

[CSLP's Summer Symposium - Free National Virtual Conference on Summer Reading](#)
When: Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[All Together Now! CSLP 2023 Training and Roundtable - All Ages](#)
When: Dec. 9, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Bremen Public Library

[All Together Now! CSLP 2023 Training and Roundtable - All Ages](#)
When: Dec. 12, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Fayette County Public Library

[All Together Now! CSLP 2023 Training and Roundtable - All Ages](#)
When: Dec. 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Harrison County Community Foundation

- [Talking Book and Braille Library Supervisor](#)
Indiana State Library
- [Instruction and Information Technology Librarian](#)
Ivy Tech Community College - Indianapolis
- [Student Service and Information Management Librarian](#)
Ivy Tech Community College - Indianapolis
- [Public Services Assistant Manager](#)
La Porte County Public Library
- [Library Assistant \(part-time and full-time\)](#)
Middlebury Public Library
- [Circulation Supervisor](#)
Muncie Public Library
- [Reference Supervisor](#)
New Castle-Henry County Public Library

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

In the news



- [Secret Snowflake Shop returns to HMMPL](#)
Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library
- [A new chapter: Fort Ben Library construction on schedule for completion in 2023](#)
Indianapolis Public Library
- [Fall Fest to feature student poetry contest at Indianapolis Central Library, Central Park 'Exonerated 5' member to speak](#)
Indianapolis Public Library
- [Library offering tea party for kids](#)
Jackson County Public Library
- [Katie Lehman named Indiana Youth Institute's 2022 D. Susan Wisely Youth Worker of the Year](#)
Muncie Public Library
- [Meet local author Julia E. Savitsky at Sheridan Public Library](#)
Sheridan Public Library
- [Sheridan Public Library has full November calendar](#)
Sheridan Public Library

Is your library making news?

the ability to stay knowledgeable about changing technologies; have the ability to travel statewide and nationally on occasion; and have enthusiasm and interest in promoting library services for readers with disabilities.

A master's degree in library science from a program accredited by the American Library Association is required. Three years of professional library experience and an Indiana Library Certification 1 or 2 is also required.

Click [here](#) to read the full job description - including more requirements, salary and an outline of benefits - and to apply.

12th National Conference of African American Librarians to be held in Indianapolis



The Black Caucus of the American Library Association has announced that the 12th National Conference of African American Librarians will be held on July 11-16, 2023 in Indianapolis at the [Hilton Indianapolis Hotel and Suites](#).

The conference theme is "Culture Keepers XII: Unity in Diversity: Stronger Together in the African Diaspora." The theme considers the challenges Black librarians face today regarding the suppression of historical truths and freedom of expression through diverse literary works.

Conference tracks include, but are not limited to: advocacy, technology, information literacy, medical and health, programming ideas, DEI best practices, Black consciousness principles, international relations across the African diaspora, emotional labor, academic libraries and public libraries.

Information regarding registration, the call for proposals and the call for volunteers is forthcoming. Please visit the [BCALA website](#) for updates. Conference co-chairs are Mahasin Ameen and Rhonda Oliver.

BCALA serves as an advocate for the development, promotion and improvement of library services and resources to the nation's African American community and provides leadership for the recruitment and professional development of African American librarians.

Research Institute for Public Libraries



Welcome to the Government Information Minute. Every other week, government information librarians at the Indiana State Library cover current resources on governmental data at the state, national and international levels, all to keep the public well-informed. Follow the Indiana State Data Center on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to leave comments and suggestions.

Believe in You campaign



In a [Nov. 1 press release](#), the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration's Division of Mental Health and Addiction announced the [Believe in You](#) campaign to support Hoosier youth. The campaign includes resources focusing on specific topics and behaviors that have been identified as risk areas for alcohol and substance misuse, such as developing mental strength, positive thinking, coping techniques and self-control.

Youth who engage with the Believe in You campaign will receive a series of weekly text messages that provide a mix of verbal and written support, education, polls, questions and links to a video portal. To opt in to the Believe in You direct message program, text BEYOU to 877-861-6807.

For additional information on how to leverage this program in your community or to sign up for a 30-minute virtual training session, contact Amber Becker, DMHA director of Child, Youth and Family Systems [via email](#) or at 317-232-8908.

Grants for small and rural libraries available



[Email](#) news links for inclusion in the Wednesday Word's "In the news" section.

To be featured in the Wednesday Word, please [email](#) a press release and a photo.



State Library blog



Follow the [Indiana State Library's blog](#) for weekly posts covering all aspects of the State Library.

Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



scholarship and facilitator opportunities



The [Research Institute for Public Libraries](#) has announced its national event will take place on July 23-26, 2023 in Madison, Wisconsin.

Up to \$16,000 in scholarships is available to participate in the event, funded by the Embedding Evaluation in Libraries: Developing Internal Evaluators initiative through its Institute of Museum and Library Services grant. This scholarship opportunity is open to staff working in small and rural public libraries in the United States, and public library staff and LIS students in U.S. programs who identify as American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, Middle Eastern or North African, and/or Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. Learn more about this opportunity [here](#). The application deadline is Nov 19.

Additionally, up to 12 people will be selected to serve as facilitators at the event. Both RIPL alumni and those who are new to the event are welcome to apply. Facilitators will receive a discount on the registration fee. Learn more about this opportunity [here](#). The application deadline is Nov. 19.

RIPL is an immersive, bootcamp-style event for public library staff and others interested in public library data and evaluation to learn practical, strategic methods of gathering, analyzing and using data for planning, management and communicating impact.

Contact [RIPL](#) with any questions.

The American Library Association invites applications from small and rural libraries for the Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities grant. The grant will offer more than \$7 million in funds to small and rural libraries to increase the accessibility of facilities, services, and programs to better serve people with disabilities.

Library workers may [apply online](#) for grant funding until Feb. 28, 2023. Up to 300 libraries will be awarded in this application period, part of ALA's longtime community engagement initiative.

Chosen libraries will first conduct community input-gathering sessions to assure that their work aligns with local needs. Libraries will be required to identify the primary audience they are hoping to reach and facilitate a community conversation with the impacted populations to guide improvement of the library's services. Grantees will then use the grant funds to create services or improve their facilities based on the needs identified by their audience.

Selected libraries will receive \$10,000 or \$20,000 to support costs related to their community engagement project; virtual training to assist project directors in developing their community engagement, facilitation and disability service skills; a suite of online resources developed to support local programs; and technical and project support from the ALA Public Programs Office throughout the grant term.

The opportunity is open to libraries serving small and rural communities in the U.S. and U.S. territories. To be eligible, a library must be located in an area that's more than, or equal to, five miles from an urbanized area and with a population of 25,000 or less, in keeping with Institute of Museum and Library Services definitions of small and rural libraries. Learn more [here](#).

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