

What to expect from KDLA's Regional Consultants

What is KDLA?

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives is a state government agency whose mission is to support and promote access to library services and to ensure that documentation of government activities is created, preserved and made available for public use.

For public libraries, the most visible aspect of KDLA are regional consultants.

And what is a Regional Consultant?

A regional consultant is a librarian who serves a specific geographic area and helps your library navigate the complicated arena of contemporary libraries.

We are here to help you and your director and library staff create a library that is an indispensable part of your community.

Some of the things Regional Consultants do to serve libraries include:

Attends board meetings to get to know your library and your community in order to offer the most relevant information possible to your library director and board

Advises your director and the board on policy development, personnel issues, public relations, grant writing, collection development and other library issues

Serves as a resource person to offer you new ideas and best practice information from around Kentucky and the world

Provides training and orientation for local trustees and library staff as requested

Guides you to use the Kentucky Public Library Standards to provide your community with the library it needs

Assists with the library's Annual Report and other government-required reports

Conducts meetings for the region's directors and other special groups of employees

Helps you decide who to call for assistance

Assists you in making the best decisions for your library and your community

Regional Consultants are here to help you make your library a place your friends and neighbors can't do without!