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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES
NH STATE LIBRARY

20 Park Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301

August 24, 2017

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Executive Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR), New Hampshire State Library, requests **RETROACTIVE** renewal of a membership with the American Library Association (VC #175432), Chicago, IL in the amount of \$2,728 upon Governor and Executive Council approval for the period of September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018. **100% Federal Funds**

Funds are available as follows:

	<u>FY 2018</u>
03-35-35-353010-25540000	
Federal Library Programs	\$2,728
026-500251 Organizational Dues	

EXPLANATION

New Hampshire State Library (State Library) is requesting permission to retroactively renew its membership with the American Library Association (ALA), the oldest and largest library association in the world. The membership provides access to a wide range of tools, toolkits, and other types of library information as well as offers professional support and connections to others in this specialized field. The DNCR's development of new internal procedures for the State Library delayed this action and therefore retroactive approval is needed.

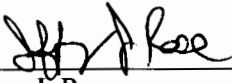
Following is a completed questionnaire developed for organizational dues and membership requests. A copy of the invoice is also attached.

1. **How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?** The ALA was founded in 1876 during the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia and the State Library has been a member for most of those years.
2. **Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?** No, the ALA is the only nationwide association for public libraries.
3. **How many other states belonging to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?** All libraries are eligible to be members; no other NH State Agency is a member of the ALA.
4. **How is the dues structure established?** The dues are based on organizational structure and the population it serves; divisional memberships are priced separately.
5. **What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?** The ALA provides

leadership for the development, promotion and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

6. **Are training or educational/ research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.** The ALA provides opportunities for the professional development and education of all library staff members and trustees; it promotes continuous, lifelong learning for all people through library and information services. The cost is not included but offered at a reduced rate.
7. **Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams?** Membership is not required to receive any federal grant or to participate in licensing or certification exams.
8. **Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.** No, travel is not included in the membership fee.
9. **Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.** The ALA has over 60,000 members; officers are nominated and elected by members. There are no Library employees directly involved.
10. **Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.** The State Library would not have a library advocate working on its behalf in Washington, DC.

Respectfully submitted,

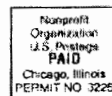


Jeffrey J. Rose
Commissioner





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Your ALA Membership Renewal is Enclosed!

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ALA Membership Renewal Form

membership@ala.org | ALA Member Services | Box 77-6499 | Chicago, IL 60678-6499 | 800-545-2433 x 5 or 312-280-4299 | fax 312-944-2641

Please respond no later than your membership renewal date.

Renew online at www.ala.org/renew

Member Number: **0066018**

Renewal Date: August 31, 2017

→ This renewal mailed on July 21, 2017. We apologize if invoices/payments accidentally crossed in the mail/e-mail.

Support Your Career and Profession via Your ALA Membership Renewal

Support your career and profession when you renew – connect, solve problems, advocate for libraries, access tools and resources, transform libraries, save money, and continue your education and professional development.

To pay your dues, change your membership type, add or change divisions or round tables, or update your contact information, you can return this entire completed form with your payment, go to www.ala.org/renew (you will need to log in) to renew online, or call 800-545-2433, option 5.

Take a moment to add membership@ala.org to your safe senders list to be sure you get official ALA member communications.

RJ Jankowski
ALA Membership Director

Your Membership Investment in ALA also:

- Helps ensure that the digital realm will be a vital part of library services.
- Provides access to a wide range of tools, toolkits, and more for All types of libraries.
- Delivers the best in professional development opportunities in a wide variety of formats & modalities.
- Meets your needs via essential divisions, round tables, and offices to support your professional needs & connect you with others sharing your interest/specialization.
- Supports ALA's Libraries Transform public awareness campaign. Its ultimate goal is to increase funding support for libraries and advance information policy issues in alignment with ALA goals. Visit www.librariestransform.org for more information.

You'll find more reasons for renewing at Why ALA? www.ala.org/membership/why-ala

Membership Details – Be sure to return this complete form with your payment, or renew online at www.ala.org/renew

This reflects dues rates that are in effect between
09-01-2016 through 08-31-2017

SS – Library Membership Basic Dues	\$2000.00	ALSC – Association for Library Service to Children	\$55.00
ASCLA – Assoc of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies	\$500.00	PLA – Public Library Association	\$103.00
YALSA – Young Adult Library Services Association	\$70.00		

\$2728.00

Communication Preferences

To ensure you receive timely and useful information from ALA units and carefully screened outside organizations, and that you receive only the type of information you want please indicate your communication preferences below:

From ALA and outside organizations From ALA, chapters and ALA affiliates Just ALA Official ALA communications only

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