LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Salary: Commensurate with experience, plus a comprehensive benefit package.

The Position

The Eastern Shore of Virginia Public Library (ESVPL) is currently seeking a dynamic, visionary leader with proven management skills for the position of Library Director. The ESVPL is a regional library system serving Accomack and Northampton Counties on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. A substantial building program is near completion. The new 20,837 sq. ft. facility, located in Parksley, VA, will include the Heritage Center staffed with an archivist and a community room for programs and meetings.

Reporting directly to the Board of Trustees, the Library Director is responsible for overseeing Library operations. ESVPL currently has a staff of 5 full-time and 10 part-time employees, a budget of $1,100,000 and a collection of over 124,000 books, e-books, audio books, periodicals and DVDs.

The Community

The Eastern Shore of Virginia stretches from the Chesapeake Bay at the southern tip to Maryland’s border at the northern edge. The Shore is situated between the Atlantic Ocean on the east and the Chesapeake Bay on the west. Virginia’s Eastern Shore is home to the longest expanse of wilderness remaining on the eastern seaboard. It is composed of two counties, Accomack and Northampton. In 2020 the population of Accomack was 33,413 and Northampton was 12,282.

Position Requirements

We are seeking candidates with strong leadership, communication and planning skills as well as political and business acumen. Public speaking, grant writing, and technology experience are desirable. In addition, candidates should be familiar with technological trends evolving in the future of libraries. Candidates must appreciate the Eastern Shore’s local history and culture and be willing to collaborate with other non-profits and foster community involvement.

Qualifications

MS in Library Science from an ALA accredited program and three years of professional library experience; administrative management and programming responsibility preferred.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Interested persons should apply by submitting a resume, cover letter and three references to ESVPL.directorsearch@gmail.com Questions may be directed to J. Holland at the same address.

Visit the library’s website at espl.org

Additional information about the library can be found on the ESVPL Foundation’s website esplfoundation.org