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Chief Officers of State Library Agencies Announce Voices for Libraries 2025!

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The Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA) is pleased to announce **Voices for Libraries 2025**, a national advocacy event taking place on **March 5-6, 2025**, in Washington, D.C.

Uniting Library Advocates for a Stronger Future

Voices for Libraries 2025 brings together library champions from across the country to advocate for critical federal funding for libraries, reauthorization of the Museum and Library Services Act (MLSA), increased support for literacy initiatives, and broadband access as a human right.

Call to Action for Library Leaders

Representatives from all 50 states are encouraged to attend this important event. State Library Agencies (SLAs) will appoint "State Captains" to coordinate state delegations (limited to eight attendees each) and facilitate meetings with legislators. These captains will serve as the primary contact for their state and guide advocacy efforts.

Registration and Information

Registration for Voices for Libraries 2025 opens soon. Registration includes access to the "Briefing Day" on March 5th, featuring presentations from policy experts and seasoned advocates.

For complete information on the event, including registration details, hotel booking, and a schedule of events, please visit cosla.org/V4L2025 or contact COSLA Executive Director at jjohannesen@cosla.org.

"The Voices for Libraries event is a critical opportunity to raise awareness about the vital role libraries play in our communities and secure the resources they need to thrive. COSLA is excited to lead this important work for our nation's libraries." – Nicolle Davies, State Librarian of Colorado and President of COSLA

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About COSLA

The Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA), an independent organization of the principal library officials in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and two territories, responsible for statewide library development. Its purpose is to provide leadership on issues of common concern and national interest; to further state library agency relationships with federal government and national organizations; and to initiate cooperative action for the improvement of library services to the people of the United States. cosla.org