

Sarah Hawkins Receives MLA President's Award

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Sarah Hawkins Honored for Outstanding Legislative Advocacy

The Minnesota Library Association is proud to present the **2026 President's Award** to **Sarah Hawkins of Anoka County Library**.

For many years, Hawkins has served as chair of MLA's Legislative Committee and has been one of Minnesota's most dedicated library advocates.

Her work includes monitoring legislation, collaborating with lobbyists, building relationships with policymakers, and helping libraries effectively navigate complex legislative issues.

While much of her work occurs behind the scenes, Hawkins' influence has been instrumental in advancing support for libraries throughout Minnesota.

The President's Award recognizes her years of service, leadership, and steadfast commitment to strengthening libraries and library services statewide.

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