



**Libraries are still open...  
...and more important to Wisconsin than ever!**

**2021 Wisconsin Library Association Library Legislative Day** will be virtual on **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, February 16, 17 and 18.**

This will enable more library champions from all corners of the state to meet with their legislators and share stories of how libraries have adapted to support their communities during the pandemic.

The multi-day event kicks off with the traditional morning briefing via web conference on Tuesday, February 16 at 9 a.m.— you get to bring your own coffee and muffins this year, so you know they will be good! Then on Tuesday afternoon and throughout Wednesday and Thursday, WLA will schedule half hour virtual meetings with the legislators Legislative Day registrants have asked to visit.

**Library Legislative Day Registration is open!** <https://www.wisconsinlibraries.org/library-legislative-day>

If you have not previously registered for a WLA event online, you will be asked to create a new user profile, which includes entering your senate and assembly districts, to enable payment of \$25/person.

**To verify your correct Senate and Assembly districts**, enter your home address in the search box at <https://maps.legis.wisconsin.gov/>

In addition to the State Senator and Assembly Representative corresponding to your voting address, registrants may select up to 2 additional Senators and 2 additional Representatives to cover the districts where the library they are employed is located, or to accommodate library system staff and trustees covering multiple legislators from their member counties.

Once you've signed up, WLA will schedule your legislator meetings and send the necessary virtual links.

During this state budget producing year, it is essential that WLA members let legislators know how our libraries have safely and effectively adapted their service response to community needs during the pandemic. The state library aid distributed through regional public library systems to support local libraries helping their communities survive and thrive is more important now than ever!

Briefing materials will be provided. Meanwhile, click the links below to become familiar with WLA-endorsed DPI budget requests for which advocacy is being coordinated by the Library Development & Legislation Committee.

- [Overview of WLA Priorities](#)
- [Additional aid for Public Library Systems](#)
- [Cost to continue funding for Library Service Contracts](#)
- [New state funding for Recollection Wisconsin](#)