

Back In Circulation Conference Scholarship Opportunity

V-Cat is awarding scholarships to member library staff to attend the 2024 **Back In Circulation Conference** taking place October 7-8, 2024. The conference for managers and staff in access and circulation services is hosted by The Information School at UW-Madison and will be held at the Pyle Center on the UW-Madison Campus. More details can be found on the [conference website](#). **This scholarship provides \$1,075** to cover some/all of the following costs:

- conference registration (\$315)
- optional conference lunch (\$25)
- mileage reimbursement to and from the conference (WVLS rate)
- up to two nights of conference lodging (October 6 and 7)
- parking expenses

Eligibility and Requirements

- Applicant must currently work at a V-Cat member library.
- Applicant must have one full year of experience working in a public library setting.
- Applicant is expected to make their own conference arrangements
- Applicant is expected to submit complete reimbursement requests to WVLS. (A form will be provided.)
- The scholarship recipient is expected to share their conference experience and knowledge gained via a written report submitted to WVLS within 30 days of the conference (A form will be provided prior to the conference).

To be eligible, a completed scholarship application must be emailed to [Katie Zimmermann](#) by 5 p.m. on **Monday, September 16**. Scholarship applications will be considered as they are received and awards will be announced on or before Tuesday, September 17.

To be completed by the applicant: (Type or Print)

Name: _____ Title/Role: _____

Library: _____ Years of work in a public library: _____

Have you attended any library conferences in the past? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, what conference(s) and what year(s) did you attend?

How will your library benefit from your attendance at this conference? Please provide specific examples. (Answer in the space below or attach a separate page.)

By applying, I acknowledge that accepting this scholarship is contingent upon my attending the 2024 Back in Circulation Conference. If I am unable to attend, I will notify WVLS immediately. I will submit a written report of what I learned at the conference to WVLS within 30 days of my return from the conference. Should I be unable to fulfil these requirements, I understand that I may be asked to reimburse WVLS for the scholarship within 90 days of the conference.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

To be completed by the Public Library Board of Trustees President: (Type or Print)

If granted a scholarship the applicant listed above has permission from the Library Board to attend the 2024 Back In Circulation Conference in Madison, WI. The Library Board understands that the applicant will be required to share what they learned at the conference via a written report submitted to WVLS within 30 days of the conference and that should the applicant not fulfill the requirements of this scholarship, the applicant or library may be asked to reimburse WVLS for the scholarship within 90 days of the conference.

Public Library Name: _____

Public Library Board President's Name: _____

Public Library Board President's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit a completed application by email to [Katie Zimmermann](#) by 5 p.m. on **Monday, September 16.**