

The Council of Regional Public Library System Administrators (CRPLSA) seeks an **Independent Contractor** to manage the newly created One Book project across the state beginning in 2014.

Project Summary

The Minnesota One Book program highlights the importance of reading and sharing books with children, especially toddlers through early elementary school age by focusing on a single book for a one year period. It also recognizes the vital role of libraries which provide access to quality books, programs and services to children and families that lay the foundation for reading and school success. An advisory committee of youth services librarians and regional public library directors will assist with the establishment of the program in conjunction with the Project Manager. Funding for the program is provided in part through the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (Legacy Amendment).

Position Summary

Under general direction of CRPLSA, the position of One Book Project Manager exists to assist with providing efficient program services throughout the state. Plans, implements and conducts a variety of programs and services for children, parents, caregivers and administrative agencies including Head Start.

Serves in a leadership capacity to move the services forward, anticipating future needs and responding to current trends.

Is generally responsible for the approval and oversight functions of all One Book activities in the state

- i. Schedules, plans and provides programs for libraries.
- ii. Prepares programming materials, reading guidance information and displays to highlight the program.
- iii. Reviews, evaluates and selects materials for program support.
- iv. Establishes and maintains innovative partnerships with organizations to enhance programming throughout the state.

Education/Experience

Graduation from a recognized college or university with a Master's in Library Science or Information Media or equivalent, unless otherwise required by law, or equivalent in training and library staff development

Two years of public library experience including background in youth services strongly preferred.

Base pay is \$40 per hour for up to 600 hours annualized.

Resumes and other application material should be directed to:

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Deadline for application is January 31, 2014. Interviews will be scheduled for early February.