



ALBERTA LIBRARY TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

**PRESENTATION TO AUMA SAFE AND WELL COMMUNITIES
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Alberta Library Trustees Association (“ALTA”) was founded in 1971, and represents the library boards and trustees that govern public libraries in Alberta. We serve over 2400 volunteer library trustees across Alberta who provide governance to over 165 library boards across the province.



- *ALTA is the collective voice for library trustees across Alberta and promotes effective library service and leadership through training, resources, communication and advocacy.*
- *We actively support trustees to become strong leaders in their library communities and strive to ensure that all library trustees have access to the information, resources and education they need to be effective and strong leaders within their library communities.*



*ALTA is a
volunteer board with
a President and representative
Trustees and alternates
from ten library areas.*



- ***Vision:*** *Effective Library Board Trustees providing leadership for great community library services to all Albertans.*
- ***Mission:*** *ALTA is the collective voice for library trustees. ALTA builds trustee capacity through education, leadership, communication, partnerships and collaboration.*
- ***Belief Statement:*** *The Alberta Library Trustees Association believes that library services are essential to the quality and standard of life of Albertans and vital to the education, social and cultural development of the province.*



Since our last presentation ALTA has:

- Presented at the Northern Lights, Rural Libraries and Southern Alberta and Yellowhead Library Conferences
- In addition to the above conferences, in 2016 ALTA will also present at the Alberta Library and Parkland Library Conferences
- Has developed active collaborations with the Library Association of Alberta (LAA) and The Alberta Library (TAL) for the advocacy and the continued excellence in public library service.



- Updated the Trustee Handbook
- Developed two new educational modules and presentations
- Along with other provincial library organizations, met with Minister Larivee
- Updated our website and have developed Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest pages on social media
- Streamlined our organization and committees
- Was active at the AUMA and AAMD&C trade shows promoting public library service



The Alberta Library Trustee's Association continues to believe that library services are essential to the quality of life of Albertans and vital to educational, economic, social, and cultural development of the province.

We are always looking for sustainable funding and advocacy partnerships.

Thank you for allowing us to present to your committee again and hope to answer any questions you may have.

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