

# Member Libraries and Local Library Boards Calendar 2024

# **JANUARY**

Prepare the **Annual Report** for your library.

Each year municipal libraries receive an email with a link to Municipal Affairs Public Library Services Branch (PLSB): at <a href="https://www.alberta.ca/public-library-board-operating-grants.aspx">https://www.alberta.ca/public-library-board-operating-grants.aspx</a> you will find the following:

- Application for Financial Assistance for Municipal Libraries
- Statement of Receipts and Disbursements (audit) forms
- Budget forms
- Annual Report of Public Libraries in Alberta forms

Fill out and submit information to Municipal Affairs Public Library Services Branch in order to receive your annual operating grants.

Please send a copy of the Annual Report, Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, and current year's budget to Marigold headquarters.

#### **FEBRUARY**

- Invoices go to municipalities for Marigold Levy (Schedule C requisition).
- Board ensures council provides sufficient funding so library is eligible for provincial operating grant.
- Board gathers 2023 financial records for audit or financial review in January or February.
- Survey and Annual Report deadline for online submission to Municipal Affairs Public Library Services Branch is February 28 (Submitted via LibPas) Send a copy to Marigold headquarters.
- Community Library Annual Reports due to Marigold in mid-February.
- Celebrate Freedom to Read Week, February 18—24.

#### **APRIL**

Marigold sends first installment of Services Grant to local board or Community Library Society before the end of April.

# **MAY**

Annual Marigold Library System Conference—May 15, 2024 for library staff and board members.





#### **JUNE**

Marigold sends **community library grants** to library service points (community libraries) before the end of June. **June 15 is the final deadline** for submission of all parts of the grant application package. Libraries must submit to Municipal Affairs Public Library Services Branch at **libgrants@gov.ab.ca**.

- 1 copy of Application for Financial Assistance for Municipal Libraries
- 1 copy of Annual Report
- 1 copy of audited Statement of Receipts and Disbursements\*
- 1 copy of Budget

Send a copy of the Annual Report, Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, and Budget to Marigold headquarters.

# **AUGUST**

- Find out when your council wants budget estimates.
- Marigold sends second installment of the Services Grant to local library board or Community Library Society.
- Invoices go to Local Library Boards for Marigold levy (Schedule C requisition).

# **NOVEMBER**

- Detailed operating **Budget** estimate for 2024 sent by library boards to Marigold Headquarters. If you haven't already presented the budget to council, do so now.
- Marigold sends final installment of Services Grant to local library board or Community Library Society.

# CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR STAFF AND BOARD

May 15, 2024

Annual Marigold Library System Conference for library staff and board members

Best Western Premier Calgary Plaza Hotel and Conference Centre—Calgary, AB



September 11, 2024

Library Leaders Meeting for library directors and board members— in-person at Marigold headquarters.