

Would you like to lead a three-county regional library in the beautiful North Carolina mountains? Would you want to live near four-season recreational opportunities, enjoy a vibrant cultural arts scene, and reside in a highly-rated school district? Appalachian Regional Library is seeking a dynamic, outgoing individual to head a staff of 59 dedicated employees.

TITLE/CLASS: Director of Libraries/Manager VI/Classification Grade 20

LIBRARY: Appalachian Regional Library (Ashe, Watauga and Wilkes Counties, NC)

QUALIFICATIONS:

A master's degree in library science from an ALA-accredited library school, seven years of professional public library experience preferred (including five years of public library administrative or management experience), and eligibility for certification by the NC Librarian Certification Committee. Excellent oral and written communication abilities and management skills are necessary. Experience with managing a budget is required. Must be able to plan and direct staff engaged in all library functions.

DUTIES:

The Director of Libraries provides professional leadership in planning, organizing, and directing the Appalachian Regional Library System under the general review of the regional library board. This employee works to meet staffing, materials, equipment, and facility needs for five public libraries in Ashe, Watauga, and Wilkes Counties. The regional director's duties also include making recommendations to the governing board regarding hiring, promotion, or dismissal of management-level employees of the Appalachian Regional Library System; having extensive public contact and frequent conferences with library board members, government officials, and community leaders in all three counties; and maintaining professional relationships with the staff of the State Library of North Carolina, the North Carolina Public Library Directors' Association, and state legislators.

BEGINNING SALARY RANGE: \$68,000-\$73,000. Generous benefits.

APPLY BY:

Open until filled

AVAILABLE:

December 2022

TO APPLY and for further information:

Send cover letter, resume, and list of references (or questions) to [hr\(at\)arlibrary\(dot\)org](mailto:hr@arlibrary.org)