



**2019 APPLICATION
ALABAMA PUBLIC LIBRARY
STANDARDS of ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

The purpose of the Public Library Division of the Alabama Library Association is to promote public library service and development throughout Alabama. Alabama Public Library Standards of Achievement Awards recognize superior planning and levels of excellence attained by exceptional public libraries in Alabama. At this time, Gold Level Standards Award is the highest level of achievement attainable by a public library in Alabama, followed by the Silver Level and Bronze Level Awards. Public libraries that achieve these standards levels serve as benchmarks of excellence for other libraries in the state. Standards application and checklists are available on the ALLA website under Divisions - Public Library Division. Contact PLD Chair-Elect, Katie Guerin (kbailey@shelbycounty-al.org) for more information.

Submit the following by **February 28, 2020** one (1) electronic copy (sent via email) **and** one (1) original signed copy of both this Standards application and the completed checklist, plus the non-refundable application fee, mailed to:

**Standards Award Committee
Attn: Katie Guerin
North Shelby Library
5521 Cahaba Valley Rd.
Birmingham AL 35242**

The non-refundable application fee check should be made out to the **Alabama Library Association**. Application fees are based on the level of recognition for which your library is applying and your population base.

Bronze Level fee: \$50.00; Silver Level fee: \$100.00; Gold Level fee: \$200.00.
[For populations of 5,000 or under, fees are Bronze Level: \$25; Silver Level: \$50; Gold Level: \$100]

Name of Library: _____

Contact Person: _____

Library Address: _____

Library Phone Number: _____ **Fax Number:** _____

Contact's Email Address: _____

Name of Board Chair: _____

Name of Mayor: _____

City Hall Address: _____

Level of recognition for which you are applying (Enter an **X** for the highest level your library qualifies for after you have completed the score checklists and attached them to this application.):

_____ **Bronze Level Award**
Library has achieved requirements for the **Bronze** Level. Application fee \$50. (\$25 for population of 5,000 or under.)

_____ **Silver Level Award**
Library has achieved requirements for the **Bronze** Level & additional **Silver** Level Requirements. Application fee \$100. (\$50 for population of 5,000 or under.)

_____ **Gold Level Award**
Library has achieved requirements for the **Bronze** Level & additional **Gold** Level Requirements. Application fee \$200. (\$100 for population of 5,000 or under.) A site visit from the Standards Awards committee is required for libraries applying for the Gold Level Standards Award.

SIGNATURE OF BOARD CHAIR

DATE

SIGNATURE OF LIBRARY DIRECTOR

DATE