

**June 13, 2011**

**TO:** ALA Councilors

**FROM:** James Neal, ALA Treasurer  
Mario Gonzalez, Chair of BARC

**RE:** FY 2012 Total ALA Budget Request

The FY 2012 Total ALA Budget was presented to the ALA Executive Board at its spring meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>. After reviewing and discussing the broad overview of the budget, the Executive Board voted to transmit the preliminary FY 2012 Operating Budget to BARC for a more detailed analysis, review and recommendations.

Council will be asked to approve the FY 2012 Annual Estimates of Income on Tuesday - June 28, which includes slight revisions from this spring version that you are receiving today.

After reviewing the spring budget overview, both the Executive Board and BARC agreed with the overall framework of the FY 20 12 budget and adopted the following motions:

**The Executive Board moved to transmit the Total Preliminary FY 2012 Budget to BARC for review and analysis. The Executive Board affirmed the strategic direction of the budget and requested that BARC report back to the Executive Board after its analysis of the budget (April 9, 2011).**

**BARC, based upon a thorough analysis of ALA's projected revenues and expenses, endorses and recommended the Total Preliminary FY 2012 Budget direction and confirmed that the key action areas approved by Council were adequately funded (April 26, 2011).**

Additionally, the budget was prepared with an emphasis on the implementation of the **ALA 2015** strategic plan.

Staff have made some modifications to the spring version of budget and will recommend to BARC and the Executive Board at the Annual Conference in New Orleans the revised budget for approval . The Total Annual Estimate of Income will be presented for Council action, as required by the ALA bylaws, at Council III (6/28/11).

During FY 2012, management will be monitoring the budget closely on a month to month basis. Adjustments will be made, if necessary, based on any revenue variance from budget.

Please find attached an overview of the FY 2012 preliminary operating budget as prepared and presented to the Executive Board by Greg Calloway – AED Finance, and Keith Michael Files – ALA Executive Director. Please review this document as background to the Treasurer’s report to Council. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail me at [jneal@columbia.edu](mailto:jneal@columbia.edu) or Mario Gonzalez at [mgonzalez@passaicpubliclibrary.org](mailto:mgonzalez@passaicpubliclibrary.org)