



Friends Group and Library Foundation Group Member Benefits

When you join United for Libraries as a group member, your Friends group or Foundation is connected to thousands of other Friends groups and Foundations across the country for networking, idea sharing, and more. Your membership helps support the development of new products, services, and resources geared toward helping Friends groups become better advocates, supporters, and fundraisers for their libraries. As a Friends Group or Library Foundation Group member, you will be provided with one login for your entire board to access member benefits and resources:

- One-year print subscription (mailed to your main contact) to *The Voice for America's Libraries*, a 24-page newsletter with articles, tips, and more for Friends, Trustees, Foundations, and libraries.
- Digital access for your entire board to current and archived issues of *The Voice for America's Libraries* as well as *News Update*, the newsletter of the former Friends of Libraries U.S.A.
- Access to nine (9) in-depth digital toolkits, a total value of more than \$135:
 - *Starting a Friends Group or Revitalizing the One You Have*
 - *Friends Groups: Critical Support for School Libraries*
 - *Friends and Libraries: Working Effectively Together*
 - *Incorporating and Tax Exempting Procedures for Friends*
 - *Expanded Model Friends' Cooperative Network* (showing the relationship between Trustees, Friends, and library staff on such issues as administration, policy, planning, finances, marketing, and more)
 - *How to Sell Books on the Internet: Online Book Seller Tells All*
 - *Selecting, Cataloging, and Pricing Books for Online Sales*
 - *Tapping Into the Biggest and Most Active Group of Volunteers in Town – The Baby Boomers*
 - *Academic Library Friends: A Toolkit for Getting Started – You Can Do This!*
- Discounts on United for Libraries publications, webinars, and conference programs, a total value of more than \$325:
 - Save \$37 on print copy of *Even More Great Ideas for Libraries & Friends*
 - Save \$100 on the *Engaging Today's Volunteers for Libraries and Friends* series of three webinars. Save \$200 when designating a Literary Landmark in your community.
- Access to four (4) digital publications, a total value of more than \$120:
 - *Making Our Voices Heard: Citizens Speak Out for Libraries*
 - *Getting Grants in Your Community*
 - *101+ Great Ideas for Libraries and Friends*
 - *Even More Great Ideas for Libraries*

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- Opportunity to apply for grants and awards:
 - Two (2) \$1,000 Baker & Taylor Awards to be given annually.
 - Two (2) \$250 National Friends of Libraries Week Awards to be given annually.
 - Major Benefactor Citation.
- Discounts and special offers from United for Libraries' corporate sponsors and partners:
 - Purchase the *Book Lover's Calendar* for \$3.50 each (shipping and handling included). The retail price of this calendar is \$14.99. Use the calendar for incentives, fundraising, appreciation, and more.
 - 10% discount on eligible items from the ALA Store. Save on posters, bookmarks, and more.
- FREE & discounted access to recorded webinars:
 - Broadening the Scope of Small/Mid-Sized Library Foundations (FREE)
 - Leaving a Legacy Through Planned Giving (FREE)
 - Merging Your Library's Friends Group and Foundation (Save \$25)
 - With Friends Like These (Save \$25)

Library Foundation group membership rates are based on library operating budget:

- Small (library operating budget under \$1 million/yr): \$50
- Medium (library operating budget between \$1 million/yr and \$5 million/yr): \$80
- Large (library operating budget more than \$5 million/yr): \$125
- International (regardless of budget): \$85

Friends of the Library group membership rates are based on number of Friends members:

- Up to 99 members: \$50
- 100-499 members: \$80
- 500+ members: \$125
- International (regardless of size): \$85

Group members of United for Libraries are members of ALA, but do not receive personal ALA membership benefits. Group members cannot vote, serve on committees, or stand for election to the United for Libraries board. To be more involved with the governance of United for Libraries, visit www.ala.org/united to learn about personal membership.

United for Libraries: The Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations, is a division of the American Library Association with approximately 4,000 personal and group members representing hundreds of thousands of library supporters. United for Libraries supports those who govern, promote, advocate, and fundraise for libraries, and brings together library Trustees, advocates, Friends, and Foundations into a partnership that creates a powerful force for libraries in the 21st century. To join, please visit www.ala.org/united or call (800) 545-2433, ext. 2161.

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