

## **Awards and Honors**

### **Library Innovation Award**

#### **Suggested nomination support materials**

Submitting the initial OLC nomination form is only the beginning of nominating someone for these prestigious OLC awards and honors. The next step is to compile a packet of information to support your nomination. Following are suggested documents and information that may be included in your nomination packet.

#### **A. Organization of Information for Nominee:**

1. Nomination letter – which is in addition to the initial nomination form submitted. Does it set the tone for the presentation of your nominee to the review committee?
2. The complete packet – Is the information included well thought out? Does the information present the nominee in the appropriate manner for the award?

#### **B. Include testimonials as appropriate by:**

- Library board and/or library director and/or immediate supervisor
- Staff, community leaders, patrons
- Past employees as appropriate
- Colleagues past and present – with current employer, from former employers
- Coalition and/or project partners

#### **C. Professional activities and impact:**

- Present and past as appropriate
- Benchmarks and accomplishments
- Resume/vita
- Authorship – professional and other
- Membership in professional and community organizations
- Nominee's impact on the profession
- PR from local and/or professional sources about the nominee and nominee's impact on projects, etc. noted

#### **D. Specific to the Library Innovation Award:**

- Other criteria that will be considered in judging the entries:
  - Did the project exceed expectations?
  - What risk factors were at work with this project?
  - Was the project a courageous one?
  - Did the project embrace creativity?
  - Did the project have direct or indirect benefit for the library patron?