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**Eisenhower Public Library District Library Assistant Awarded  
2025 Robert P. Doyle ILA Conference Grant for Support Staff**

Annamarie Magnelli, a Library Assistant in the Kids World at Eisenhower Public Library District, is the recipient of the Illinois Library Association's (ILA) 2025 Robert P. Doyle ILA Conference Grant for Support Staff, which is presented by the ILA Reaching Forward North Committee.

Annamarie has served the Norridge and Harwood Heights community for the past 12 years. First as a staff member in the Building and Security department, then as a Library Page, and now in her role as Library Assistant. Magnelli currently creates and provides support in various programs, always exhibits excellent customer service, and collaborates with other departments on creative projects utilizing her extensive knowledge and problem-solving skills.

According to Children's Librarian Maria San Ramon, this prestigious honor will provide Annamarie with the "invaluable opportunities for networking, professional development, and exposure to innovative library practices," and "would not only support her professional growth but also reinforce the vital role of support staff in the success of libraries."

Annamarie Magnelli will receive a one-year ILA membership and full registration, including expenses, to attend the 2025 ILA Annual Conference in Rosemont, IL, up to \$1,000, and a framed certificate. The award will be presented at the Reaching Forward North Conference on Thursday, May 1, 2025.

**About the Reaching Forward North Committee**

The Reaching Forward North Committee coordinates program planning for the Reaching Forward North Conference with a focus on providing opportunities for library support staff to grow, learn, and connect with new ideas and colleagues.

**About the Illinois Library Association**

The Illinois Library Association (ILA) is a not-for-profit educational and professional membership organization that engages in leadership, advocacy, partnership, and learning for the benefit of Illinois libraries. ILA's membership includes more than 2,500 Illinois public, academic, school, and special libraries as well as librarians, library staff, trustees, students, library vendors, and the millions who depend on them. Founded in 1896, it is the third-largest state library association and a chapter of the American Library Association.

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