

Maria Chavez-Hernandez - Libraries Change People Award

Purpose:

To recognize an employee of a library, library organization, or library association who created outstanding programs and services that provide resources and programming specific to any underserved, marginalized and/or immigrant populations and honor the memory of Dr. Chavez-Hernandez and to perpetuate the dynamic spirit of her work.

Eligibility:

Nominee must:

- be an employee of a library, library organization, or library association in Florida.
- have been working actively for at least two years on the program and/or service that benefits a group such as: immigrants, people with disabilities, LGBTQIA+, incarcerated people and ex-offenders, adult new and non-readers, older adults, people of color, poor and homeless people, rural libraries, native libraries, tribal libraries, underserved youth, and bookmobile communities.

The nominator must be a current member of the Florida Library Association.

Questions:

1. Provide a brief description of who you are nominating and why. (Character Limit: 400)
2. Describe the program(s) and/or Service(s)' impact on underserved, marginalized and/or immigrant populations and their families. (Character Limit: 2,000)
3. Describe any innovation or creativity used in creating and delivering the program(s) and/or Service(s) e.g. the use of new technologies or the development of new partnerships etc. (Character Limit: 2,000)
4. How effectively does the program demonstrate its potential to sustain long-term services for underserved, marginalized, and/or immigrant populations, considering factors such as secure funding, a robust volunteer base, strong partnership development, maintenance, potential future growth, and replicability in other locations? (Character Limit: 2,000)