

MALF: At A Glance

Mission:

*"MALF connects Friends of Libraries,
provides valuable resources to support their work,
and is a strong voice for Friends of the Library groups
and libraries throughout Minnesota."*

Programs

- MALF has been serving Friends since 1979. We provide awards, grants, newsletters, web resources, and workshops/webinars. MALF offers grants to help defray start-up costs for Friends groups, grants to help with Friends programming costs, and financial awards for successful projects by Friends groups.
- Idea sharing between Friends of the Library groups is encouraged at regional workshops and webinars facilitated by MALF, as well as by sharing with other MALF members some "how-to" hints from the best projects by friends submitted for annual Evy Nordley Award.

Membership

- Membership year = calendar year
- Our member roster includes approximately 160, including 102 Friends groups. (Those groups, in turn, represent nearly 20,000 library supporters from across Minnesota!)

Leadership

- Up to 15 directors sit on MALF's board of directors
- Staff includes 1 part-time office manager, contracted thru Library Strategies Consulting Group (LSCG)

Financial

- MALF is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit private foundation – incorporated in Minnesota (1981), registered with the Secretary of State (T-324), and reporting to the MN Attorney General and to the IRS (Federal EIN: 41-1423551).
- MALF's annual operating budget is approx. \$47,000,* and our fiscal year is equivalent to the calendar year. (*note version date, see budget docs for additional details)
- MALF received a large bequest in 2009 which, combined with some earlier estate gifts, has enabled the practice of awarding financial grants and awards – as well as regional programming that supports Friends of the Library groups and libraries across Minnesota.

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