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## The 2012 OLA Values: Looking through different lenses

DEVELOPING OUR SHARED VALUES (September 2012)

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### DEVELOPING OUR SHARED VALUES

The Ontario Library Association fosters collaboration to advance these 6-shared values for all Ontarians:

#### RESPONSIVENESS AND AWARENESS

Our Association is responsive by connecting people to people and people to ideas. In addition, it empowers our members, provides a platform for education, and awareness of important issues. Members are encouraged to develop their own perspective and views on critical issues and events.

#### INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

Our Association upholds intellectual freedom, and open and equitable access to library resources, as basic tenets of our democratic society.

#### DIVERSITY

Our Association has a shared responsibility to support an inclusive environment within the profession, and throughout the community with the provision of library resources and services that meet the needs of all library users.

#### LITERACY AND LIFELONG LEARNING

Our Association supports and cultivates a broad range of literacies and the pursuit of professional and personal learning, thereby improving one's ability to participate meaningfully within information based society.

#### INNOVATION

Our Association is dedicated to accepting, promoting and supporting continual advancements in library services, and staying up to date with current trends and technologies.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY

Our Association believes in open and transparent business practices that clearly demonstrate responsible use of organizational resources for effective and efficient library programs and systems.

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