

YOUR VOICE COUNTS

Anyone can speak up for your libraries—your voice counts! People who are passionate about providing access to information, literature, and lifelong learning have always been at the heart of the American library movement. This is true now more than ever, and citizens must use their voices to ensure our library legacy remains viable and fully funded. Library advocacy doesn't have to be complex; it can be as simple as telling others—at the grocery store, student union, bank, post office, or parties—why you value your library.

Build your Network

You are a powerful agent for change on your own, but involving more people makes your message even stronger. Developing a network of library advocates in your community or on campus is a great way to add voices to the chorus of support. When you find people who are willing and able to help, keep track of their contact information and availability. Start a phone tree or an email list to keep in touch with everyone so that when an issue arises, you'll know just who to contact to get the word out.