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ICfL Hires New CE Consultant

BOISE, Idaho -- The Idaho Commission for Libraries (ICfL) recently hired Annie Gaines to fill the role of continuing education (CE) consultant. The position had previously been held by Tammy Hawley-House, who was promoted to deputy state librarian.

Gaines joined the ICfL's library development team and oversees continuing education grants, training, and other learning opportunities for library staff from the more than 850 public, school, academic, and special libraries in Idaho.

State Librarian Stephanie Bailey-White said, "Annie brings a unique range of experiences to the continuing education role, which is a critical one for the ICfL." Bailey-White added, "Since many who work in Idaho libraries do not have formal education or training in the profession, the ICfL's CE consultant helps bridge that gap by providing much-needed education and resources to library staff, particularly in small and/or rural areas."

Most recently, Gaines worked for the Nevada State Library as the continuing education library consultant. Prior to that, Gaines worked as the scholarly communications librarian at the University of Idaho. Gaines began her library career as a page for a small public library in Oregon.

"I'm very happy to be back in Idaho and beyond thrilled to join the wonderful team at the ICfL in their important work," said Gaines.

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