

Media Release

Kingston Frontenac Public Library Chief Librarian and CEO to Retire

After thirty-one years of service in public libraries throughout Ontario, Patricia Enright has announced that she will retire from her role of Chief Librarian and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Kingston Frontenac Public Library (KFPL) on August 31, 2019.

Ms. Enright's career at KFPL spanned fifteen years, first as Manager, Children's/Teens and Rural Services for seven years, and more recently as Chief Librarian and CEO, since 2012. During her time leading KFPL, Ms. Enright has been instrumental in planning and executing significant changes in the service model including a focus on customer service, enhanced programming and outreach to the community and has overseen an unprecedented amount of facility renewal. The renovation of the flagship Central Branch, the building of a brand new Rideau Heights Branch, the new Mountain Grove and Parham Branches and the refurbishment of many of the rural branches reflect the commitment Ms. Enright has to the value of libraries in the community. Ms. Enright served on the KEYS and Kingston Literacy and Skills Boards, was a member of the Rotary Club of Cataraqui Kingston and served an important role as liaison to the Friends of the Library. Under her steady, thoughtful, fiscally responsible and capable leadership, the KFPL's strategic vision of "Information Inspiring Imagination" has truly come to life.

Throughout her time at KFPL, Ms. Enright reflected an unwavering commitment to advancing the mission, vision and values of the KFPL for the benefit of our many and diverse communities throughout Kingston and the County of Frontenac. The KFPL Board of Directors thanks Ms. Enright for her exceptional service, and wishes her well as she embarks upon her well-earned retirement.

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Mr. Lester Webb, currently the KFPL Director, Outreach and Technology, will assume the role of Interim Chief Librarian and CEO on September 1, 2019. Mr. Webb has been with KFPL for twenty-eight years, and the Board is grateful to have his expertise and experience while a CEO search is underway.

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