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New Director of Regional Services

After eight years of service with the Newfoundland and Labrador Public Library System, Lynn Cuff, the Director of Regional Services retired in March 2019.

Dawn Silver was recruited as Lynn's replacement. Dawn possesses a Master of Library and Information Studies, courses in management, and twenty years of public library experience, most recently as the CEO/Librarian at the Bonnechere Union Public Library in Ontario where she held the position for almost three years. In addition to this role, she has held executive and managerial level positions in BC, Alberta, and Ontario, in various Regional, Academic, and Public Library Systems.

Dawn has experience in many areas of library operations including circulation, collections, reference services, programming, cataloguing, policy formation, labour negotiations, and additional skills and experience that will benefit public libraries in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Fun Stuff

For April Fool's Day the A.C. Hunter Library did up a bunch of displays all across the adult fiction floor about James Patterson. We had various signs that said things like "You asked! We Listened! James Patterson", and "Have You Read James Patterson"? Our social media posts about it joked that we were switching to an all James Patterson lending model due to his popularity. The staff member who came up with the idea had every front facing display in the library changed to James Patterson books, including children's and YA displays. Patrons enjoyed the prank quite a bit and it got a lot of attention online. The kicker is that James Patterson himself saw our tweet and called it the best April Fool's Day Prank ever! The local [CBC news](#) did a story on it because of this, and it was just a feel good thing to have happen here at the library.