

CONTRACTS STATUS – 3/25/2022

MALiA's Annual Vendor Performance Evaluation Survey

107 participants from MALiA's 223 member libraries completed the survey sent out in January. Huge thanks to all who participated, including each of our MALiA library representatives who encouraged staff at their organizations to take the survey. In February, survey results were posted to the Contracts page of the MALiA website, <http://malialibrary.org/contracts/>, and a link to the results was shared with the MALiA community. Many congrats to Johnson City Public Library, the winner of the random survey prize drawing for a free 2022-23 MALiA membership!

New Materials Contracts in Progress

MALiA's existing materials contracts with 17 vendors will expire on June 30, 2022. 18 vendors submitted proposals in response to a new materials RFP posted on eVA (the Commonwealth of Virginia's online procurement system) in February. The MALiA Contracts Committee is currently evaluating the 18 proposals and will meet with the Library of Virginia procurement officer during the week of March 28th to review results. The MALiA contracts administrator is especially appreciative of all the help by the MALiA Contracts Committee to complete the evaluation process within a much shorter timeframe to avoid any potential issues as the state transitions to a new version of eVA. At this point, we do not anticipate any problems with having all new materials contracts awarded and ready for use on July 1, 2022. As in the past, they will be three-year contracts with two optional one-year renewals, and will be posted on the MALiA website by MALiA's web administrator during the last week of June.