The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association, supports library services to teens, aged 12-18. YALSA has developed a tool to evaluate public library services to teens. This tool is a way for library administrators, teen services librarians, and members of the community to assess the level of service provided to teens at their library. This will allow your library to support services that already exemplify the highest level of achievement as well as identify gaps in services and areas to improve.

was is meant to comple-

However, unlike the , this tool is intended to evaluate an

an individual librarian. The tool rates library services to teens on

framework for improvement and advocacy.

As a library trustee, you can use this tool to evaluate the success

program, and to identify areas for enhancement. It can serve as a guide to approving budget requests, policies, procedures, and strategic plans to ensure the best possible service to teens.

Leadership & Professionalism: Librarians that work with teens excel at and are committed to connecting teens and libraries. Knowledge of Client Group: Teen Services Librarians are familiar with the developmental and cultural needs of young adults in their community. Communication, Marketing & Outreach: Libraries and librarians foster relationships with teens both in and out of the

library building to effectively communicate about library services and programs. Administration: Libraries will identify and strategically address the needs and rights of their teen