#### **Tax Benefits:**

A gift to the South Central Library System Foundation can provide substantial tax savings to the donor, which in effect reduces the cost of the gift.

- 1. Savings in income taxes by gifts of securities or property made during the fiscal year.
- 2. Savings in inheritance and gift taxes by bequests, testamentary trusts or gifts, or living trusts
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"For me, it is not only the Bill of Rights, or a free press, but a free public library system that makes us Americans. Anyone with a dollar and the ability to sign on the line receives the same privilege and respect as the most exalted member of society—even if that person has newspaper in her shoes."

—Jacquelyn Mitchard, Author



The South Central Library System Foundation encourages private donations and bequests to support library programs and resources, providing a "margin of excellence" beyond what public funding ensures.





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We pride ourselves on the innovative services and programs offered, but keeping pace with our rapidly changing world requires additional funding not provided by the public sector. To address this financial reality. the SCLS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that serves libraries in Adams, Columbia, Dane, Green Portage, Sauk and Wood Counties.

Funds raised by the SCLS Foundation permit public libraries throughout our SCLS Community to expand their excellent services.

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# Leave a Legacy



"Libraries are like tree houses—excellent places to dream, to learn, and to share with friends. There's nothing like a cozy library on a rainy Saturday."

**—Katharine C. Lyall,** Former President of the UW System

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### Help our libraries continue to grow

For more than 40 years, the South Central Library System (SCLS) and its 54 member public libraries have worked together to create a world-class library system. Known for exceptional commitment to public library service, this relationship is a statewide model of effectiveness and efficiency.

Through **The Campaign to Enhance Public Libraries**, the SCLS Foundation raises private funds that will, in turn, permit public libraries throughout our SCLS Community to expand their excellent services. Such partnerships are necessary for a great library—**public dollars provide quality and private dollars determine the margin of excellence**.

Your contributions will allow you to leave a personal legacy that will help:

- children and adults learn to read and succeed,
- · build community,
- encourage and support economic development, and
- secure the promise of public libraries for future generations.

### The many ways of giving

There are many ways to help support the South Central Library System Foundation:

- A gift of cash securities or property for immediate or future use by the foundation.
- A bequest in your will or living trust to the South Central Library System Foundation.
- Beneficiary designations of life insurance or retirement plan proceeds.
- Gifts with retained income for yourself or others.