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Emily David to Serve as Springfield Library Director

Emily David is the new Director of the Springfield Public Library.

In the eight years at Springfield Public Library, David has held a position at every level of service for the Library: Latino Liaison, Teen Services Librarian, Library Associate Manager, Library Manager, and now Library Director. David has spent her time at Springfield Public Library developing relationships in the community, expanding Library services, and helping to direct a very talented and energetic staff.

“Emily brings great experience and enthusiasm to the position,” said City Manager Gino Grimaldi. “I am looking forward to working with her as she takes on the many opportunities on the horizon for the Library.”

David spent the early years of her working life traveling and working in various social service jobs.

“I fell in love with library work when I took a part-time bilingual clerk position with Multnomah County Library system in Portland,” David said. She later attended training on Intellectual Freedom and the role of libraries in the equitable access to information, upholding the First Amendment, and the right to read.

“This sealed the deal for me and I headed back to school to pursue a degree in library sciences,” she said.

David received her Master’s in Library Science at the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science with a focus in Youth Services. David hopes to continue the good work of her predecessor Rob Everett and Library staff, and is passionate about how libraries can play a role in serving and vitalizing communities. Over the last year, the Library had more than 160,000 visits and hosted nearly 500 programs for the community.

David is active in the Oregon Library Association and is the Chair of the 2018 OLA Conference that will be held in Eugene. She also volunteers for the Egan Warming Centers. David is the mother of two nearly

grown children, Audrey Ziglinski who attends the University of Oregon and Charlie Ziglinski, who is at Lane Community College, and a sweet dog named Marigold.

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