

I LOVE MY LIBRARIAN AWARD **DRAFT LIBRARY COMMISSION NOMINATION OF ROSE BAIZA**

Rose Baiza has been the Los Altos Community Librarian since 2019 and, before that, was our Children’s Librarian commencing in 2014. Rose excels at working with the Library Commission and the other non-profits that support the Library to implement new technologies and new services. One example of Rose’s willingness to innovate and work with partners is the success of Open Access, a technology that allows pre-enrolled library patrons access to the Woodland branch library during off hours. Rose worked with the Commission to research this technology and then managed the acquisition and installation of Open Access. Rose launched the first pilot program in the county of Open Access. Library patrons are now able to enjoy exclusive, self-service access to browse books, check out library materials, relax and read, or use the Wi-Fi or our computers, printers, and copy machines during the library’s off hours.

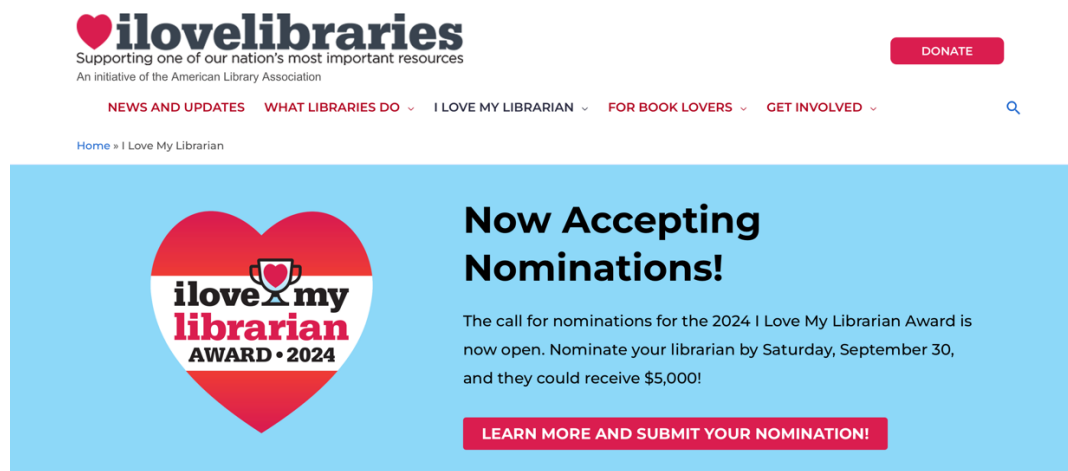
[Need enrollment data] [Need circulation data to show increase in circulation since 2019 – and/or post pandemic.]

FRIENDS OF THE LOS ALTOS LIBRARY

- Draft nomination letter provided. Needs approval of President.

LOS ALTO LIBRARY ENDOWMENT

- Draft nomination letter pending. Needs approval of Board.



The screenshot shows the top portion of a website. At the top left is the logo for 'i love libraries' with a red heart icon, followed by the text 'Supporting one of our nation's most important resources' and 'An initiative of the American Library Association'. To the right is a red 'DONATE' button. Below this is a navigation menu with links: 'NEWS AND UPDATES', 'WHAT LIBRARIES DO', 'I LOVE MY LIBRARIAN', 'FOR BOOK LOVERS', and 'GET INVOLVED', each with a dropdown arrow. A search icon is on the far right. Below the navigation is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home » I Love My Librarian'. The main content area has a light blue background. On the left is a large red heart containing the 'i love my librarian AWARD • 2024' logo. To the right of the heart, the text reads: 'Now Accepting Nominations! The call for nominations for the 2024 I Love My Librarian Award is now open. Nominate your librarian by Saturday, September 30, and they could receive \$5,000!'. At the bottom of this section is a red button with white text: 'LEARN MORE AND SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION!'.

Writing a Strong Nomination

Include a variety of perspectives.

Many successful nominations include input and quotes from several members of the librarian’s community. Including multiple nominators is by no means required, but pooling multiple points-of-view

could be a good way to show how wide your nominee's impact is. If you're nominating a school or college/university librarian, consider incorporating perspectives from students, instructors, and administrators; for a public librarian, it might be helpful to hear from library users, fellow library staff, local officials, and partner organizations.

If you choose to collaborate with others to nominate a librarian, we strongly recommend working together on a single nomination rather than having several people submit individually.