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El Paso Public Libraries Receive State Excellence Award

EL PASO, Texas—The City of El Paso proudly announces that El Paso Public Libraries (EPPL) has received the 2025 Achievement of Library Excellence Award from the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association, marking the eighth time the library system has earned this prestigious statewide recognition.

The Achievement of Library Excellence Award recognizes public libraries that demonstrate outstanding service in areas such as outreach to underserved populations, innovative and inclusive programming, digital access, workforce development, literacy initiatives, and strong community partnerships.

Of the more than 540 public libraries across Texas, only a select number earned this distinction in 2025, highlighting the El Paso Public Libraries' continued commitment to meeting the evolving needs of the El Paso community.

"Earning this award for the eighth time reflects the dedication of our staff and the incredible support of our community," said El Paso Public Libraries Director Norma Martinez. "Our libraries are more than places to borrow books, they are centers for learning, connection, opportunity, and lifelong growth."

Through its citywide network, El Paso Public Libraries provides free access to technology, educational resources, workforce and job readiness support, cultural and family programming, and welcoming spaces for residents of all ages. From early literacy and bilingual programs to digital skills training and community events, EPPL plays a vital role in enhancing El Paso's quality of life.

For more information about programs and services offered by El Paso Public Libraries, visit ElPasoLibrary.org.

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