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### Two Shelby County Public Library Staff Earn Master's Degrees

Shelbyville, KY – Megan Langlois Livers and Amanda Perry-Davis have completed the American Library Association-accredited Master of Library and Information Science program at San Jose State University.

Both Langlois Livers and Perry-Davis intend to use their degrees to ensure the Shelby County Public Library is meeting the needs of the community.

Langlois Livers, a library staff member from 2009 to present, having held various positions, became the Youth Services Librarian in August of 2018. As Youth Services Librarian, she is responsible for the children and young adult departments at SCPL, including planning the massively popular Summer Reading Program. She said that throughout the MLIS program, she most enjoyed getting to meet and work with other individuals who share similar goals and aspirations.

“Not only did my fellow students and professors inspire me to grow as an information professional, but they also made me feel proud and honored to be part of a group of individuals that are dedicated to helping and working to meet the needs of each community,” Langlois Livers continued.

Perry-Davis, who has worked at the Shelby County Public Library since 2015, is the Collection Management Librarian, responsible for ordering, processing, and repairing the library's

collection of more than 60,000 items. Before becoming the Collection Management Librarian, Perry-Davis worked as the Bookmobile and Outreach Librarian.

Perry-Davis said that she enjoyed the variety of classes she was able to take and the people she met while completing her degree. The course *Issues in Public Libraries* was particularly insightful, Perry-Davis said, and offered valuable information about current issues facing public libraries while providing interesting and relevant solutions.

With Langlois Livers and Perry-Davis now holding MLIS degrees, the Shelby County Public Library now has five degreed-librarians, joining Library Director Pamela Federspiel, Adult Services Librarian Shana Schack, and Youth Services Associate Marilyn Tamer.

San Jose State University is a public university in San Jose, California with more than 36,000 students. SJSU is the oldest public university on the West Coast and the founding campus of the California State University system.

The Shelby County Public Library is located at 309 8th Street, Shelbyville, Kentucky. SCPL was built in 1903 using funds from a grant from philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. Library cards are free for every resident of Shelby County, and provides free access to more than 60,000 items including books, audiobooks, DVDs, and numerous of online resources.

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