The Jackson-Hinds Library System (JHLS), Jackson, MS, one of the largest systems in the state of Mississippi, invite applicants for the position of Executive Director. JHLS serves a population of 231,840 (in 2019) and 14 full-service branches; a staff of 61 FTE. A 14-member Administrative Board appointed by the city and county officials governs JHLS. Jackson is the capital of the state of Mississippi. Jackson and Hinds County are home to four universities/colleges, a community college, a medical school and a law school, all of which affect the reading public. The website is located at www.jhlibrary.org.

Qualifications:
ALA-accredited MLS required, with additional degree or course work in management preferred; seven years of progressively responsible professional public library experience, five of which include administrative or supervisory responsibilities; demonstrated ability to work with public officials, board members, staff, community leaders, and the public; effective management and leadership ability; successful record in budgetary planning; experience in library design and maintenance; knowledge of current library technology and social media platforms; knowledge of collection development; expertise in strategic planning; experience or knowledge of fundraising campaigns and grant writing; skill in public relations, speaking and writing.

Must be a resident of Hinds County or must relocate to Hinds County within (3) three months and become a part of the community.

Compensation Package:
Full benefits package; starting salary of $65,000--$75,000, commensurate with experience and qualifications. JHLS is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

An online application, cover letter, resume, three references, and a brief statement of public library service philosophy should be mailed to:

Search Committee
Jackson-Hinds Library System
300 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Or via e-mail to:

symonepowell@hotmail.com in PDF form (preferred method)

Application deadline: Open until filled