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Jane Salisbury supervises outreach services to retirement centers, homebound people, jails and shelters, as well as literacy programs at Multnomah County Library branches. She has worked in various positions at MCL, including youth services, reference and acquisitions. She received her MLS from the University of Washington, and was a 2006 Lifelong Access Fellow.

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Abigail Elder manages the Humanities and Periodicals sections and oversees outreach activities for Central Library including relationships with non-profits, neighborhood groups, business councils, educational organizations, and civic associations. In a previous library position, she started a bookmobile service and helped discussions with neighborhood groups, senior centers, youth agencies, and local government to establish and publicize stops throughout the city. She received her MLS from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is currently finishing up work on a master of public administration. She was a 2006 Lifelong Access Fellow.

Multnomah County Library is one of nine major institutions participating in *Life by Design NW* (www.lifebydesignnw.org) in Portland, Oregon, a community partnership to support people contemplating retirement by providing opportunities for in-depth assessment and life planning, lifelong learning and civic engagement.