

**MICHIGAN CHAPTER SLA
VISION, MISSION, VALUES AND STRATEGIC PLAN
2004-2007**

VISION

The Michigan Chapter of the Special Libraries Association (SLA) is the regional organization for innovative information professionals and their strategic partners.

MISSION

The Michigan Chapter of the Special Libraries Association (SLA) promotes and strengthens its members through learning, advocacy, and networking initiatives.

VALUES AND STRATEGIC PLAN

Leadership

Strengthening our roles as information leaders in our organizations and communities, including shaping information policy.

The Michigan Chapter SLA will help our members become better leaders by:

- Modeling effective leadership behaviors.
- Effectively transferring knowledge from one chapter year to the next.
- Developing future leaders based on an established succession plan.

Service

Responding to our clients' needs, adding qualitative and quantitative value to information services and products.

The Michigan Chapter SLA will help our members:

- Better serve their clients through enhanced services and products
- Learn how to measure and articulate the positive impact of value added services and products
- Develop service skills through active contributions and commitments to the chapter and community
- Gain recognition for outstanding service achievements

Innovation and Continuous Learning

Embracing innovative solutions for the enhancement of services and intellectual advancement within the profession.

The Michigan Chapter SLA will help our members stay on the cutting edge of new technologies by providing, in support of the core competencies:

- Professional development opportunities in both individual and group settings
- Networking opportunities
- Ongoing documentation of best practices and success stories

Results and Accountability

Delivering measurable results to our chapter members. The Association and its members are expected to operate with the highest level of ethics and honesty.

The Michigan Chapter SLA will help our members by:

- Providing effective chapter operations
- Ensuring chapter fiscal health
- Recruiting new members and retaining current members
- Effectively communicating Chapter and Association business to chapter members

Collaboration and Partnership

Providing opportunities to meet, communicate, collaborate, and partner within the information industry and the business community.

The Michigan Chapter SLA will help our members build effective partnerships with:

- University library and information schools in the state
- Information vendors
- Colleagues in other library and information related organizations
- Business and community leaders

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