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June marks the halfway mark through a challenging 2020 marked by the COVID-19 crisis! a year when library advocacy has become more critical than ever!

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Madame Justice Deschamps to COVID-19 2020

COAG's focus on traditional library funding was put on hold when the coronavirus pandemic led Congress to focus on relief aid. COAG worked with Congress to secure the inclusion of library funding in the largest economic stimulus package in history! which passed March 2020. COAG and sustained advocacy helped secure - 2 trillion

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Congress to "visit a local library this spring to show them how the library is transforming your community"
Public Policy and Advocacy staff can advise members on how to begin working with the staff
in your congressional district office. You can also find resources on our website.

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National Network

In January 2020, the American Library Association (ALA) launched a robust advocacy pilot program. The National Network of Key Contacts (NNKC) member volunteers serve the ALA as issue ambassadors in support of all ALA member organizations and affiliates. This program's goal is to assemble

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