Santa Clara CITY LIBRARY

Pacific Library Partnership

A JOURNEY TO AN EDI-CENTRIC LIBRARY

Wednesday, Feb. 16
from 10am -12pm

Register today!

A Discussion led by **Chantel Walker** on next steps to growing your Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Commitments in your Library with **Mahasin Abuwi Aleem** and **Karla Alvarez.**
Share widely & Register by 2/15!

2 Hour Training focus

- Tools and entry points to introduce EDI to library systems who are beginning the Journey
- Strategies to amplify the effectiveness of existing EDI efforts in Internal Operations and Public Services
- Lessons learned by California Libraries taking action to grow racial equity in library processes and outcomes

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Chantel L. Walker is the Assistant Director of County Library Services at the Marin County Free Library (MCFL), focusing on finance, human resources, library technical services, capital projects, strategic planning, and working with partner organizations. A core component of her overall leadership role at MCFL is equity and inclusion in librarianship, library services and community partnership.

She has more than 35 years of experience in collaborative community development, libraries and training leadership in government and nonprofits. She has published and presented on issues of library services and racial equity; organizational design; Human Resources and employee engagement. Currently, Chantel serves on the Board of Directors of the Marin County Library Foundation; Marin Environment and Housing Coalition; and, Marin Promise. She is the former President of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, and Board Chair of the Children's Creativity Museum and the Women's Foundation of California. She also has served as a Member of Board of Directors for the State Bar of California, Neighborhood Funders Group, and Association of Black Foundation Executives.

Mahasin Abuwi Aleem is the Children's Collection Management Librarian at Oakland Public Library, where she also serves as a co-lead of the department's Racial Equity Team. She is also a member of the current Coretta Scott King Book Awards Jury and a founding member of the Hijabi Librarians collective.

Karla Alvarez (pronouns: she/ella) is the Equity & Inclusion Services Manager for San José Public Library, helping staff-led Equity teams develop action plans and serving as chair of the Library's Racial Equity Team and Community Engagement Committee. She also supports colleagues leading the Disability Access and LGBTQ+ Committee. She is on the Board of the Latino Leadership Alliance, advancing professional development opportunities for Latinx leaders and their communities. She has a Master's degree in International Peace Studies from the University of Notre Dame.