

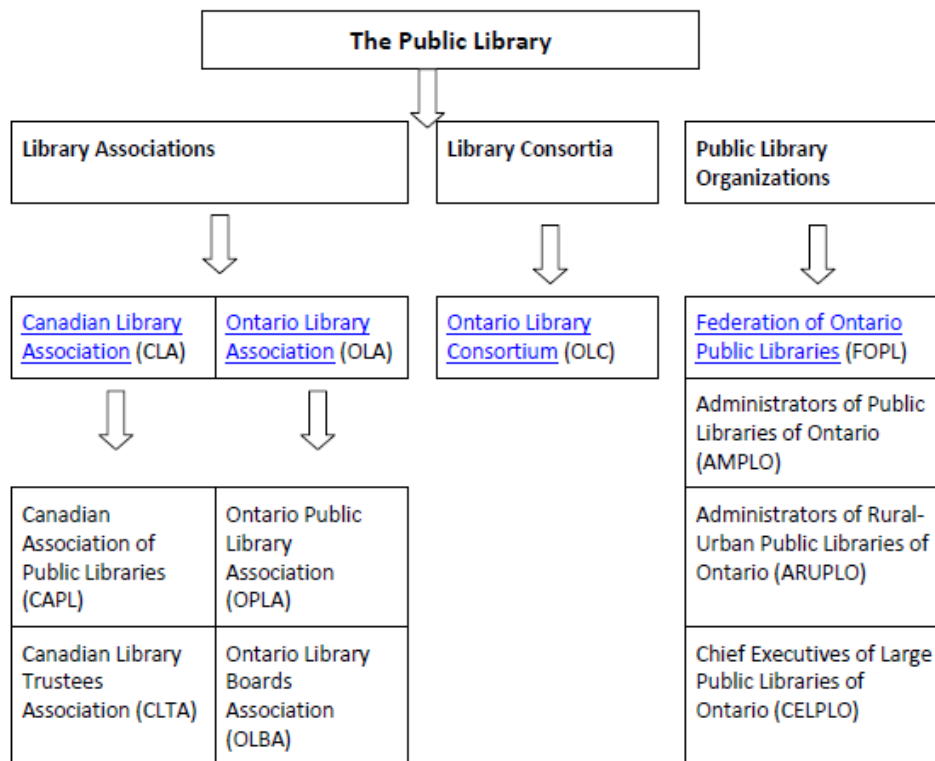
From LEADERSHIP BY DESIGN, module 3.3, the Ontario Library Community

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In addition to SOLS and OLS-North, there are many other organizations which can support you in your journey as a board member.

The Ontario library community:



NOTES:

CLA (CAPL, CLTA) no longer exists, however OLA is a member of the Canadian Federation of Library Associations-Fédération canadienne des associations de bibliothèques (CFLA-FCAB).

NPL is an institutional member of OLA (and therefore OPLA), and the NPL Board is a member of OLBA.

NPL is not a member of OLC (this is a group of libraries that run one shared catalogue and circulation database). However, we do some consortium purchasing through our own York-Simcoe consortium (the N6 plus Bradford).

NPL is a member of FOPL, and the CEO attends meetings of both AMPLO and CELUPL (Chief Executives of Large Urban Public Libraries, the successor to CELPLO).

Quick overview of the roles of all of these organizations:

SOLS/OLS-North: government agencies to facilitate resource sharing. Examples: Overdrive consortium, inter-library loan.

OLA: provides professional development, advocacy, support for innovation to all types of libraries. Examples: Superconference, Library Day at Queen's Park.

FOPL: coordinates lobbying, research, and marketing for public libraries. Examples: capacity grants, storytime and school readiness research; A Visit Will Get You Thinking tagline.

CFLA-FCAB: advocates on behalf of all libraries at the national level. Example: copyright reform.