

## **Biography**

### **Jamie Mayo, Recorder**

I am currently serving as the Children's Librarian/Assistant Branch Manager of the Bluford Branch of the Kansas City Public Library. I have been in my current position for a little over a year, primarily focusing on outreach services to schools and agencies in the area. I am pleased to be joining this dedicated group of librarians serving teens and am looking forward to a year of learning and sharing information with others who are also dedicated to the teens of Missouri.

My background includes many years spent working in the mental health field, as well as running my own small business. I received my MLIS from the University of Missouri in 2004 and a Bachelor's in English from Central Methodist College in 1985. Libraries have always been an important part of my life. My mother was a school librarian in the town in which I grew up and if I wasn't hanging out there, I could often be found just up the hill at the public library.

I am very interested in reaching out to teens and helping to provide them a place where they can connect more deeply with their communities, assisting them in finding resources to help meet their life goals, and hooking them up with that book they just can't put down. I am excited about the learning opportunities that exist in working with YASIG as the Recorder this year as well as the chance to share knowledge with you who also care about teens and teen services in libraries.

Please contact me at [jamiemayo@kclibrary.org](mailto:jamiemayo@kclibrary.org) with any concerns, or things you would like to share with other Missouri librarians serving teens.