

Pilar Martinez is the Chief Executive Officer of the Edmonton Public Library, where she is responsible for strategic leadership, supporting the Board of Trustees, financial and budget management, and stakeholder relations. She has overall accountability, authority and responsibility for establishing and executing the Library's Business Plan in order to achieve the goals of the overall Strategic Directions of the Board. Pilar has a broad base of experience in library

leadership including: advocacy, collective bargaining, strategic and business planning, recruitment and change leadership.

She holds a MLIS from the University of Alberta and a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in English from Acadia University. Pilar was the main champion and leader behind the implementation of EPL's community-led service framework and the Leading From Any Position staff development initiative. In 2012, Pilar was honoured with the Ken Haycock Award for Promoting Librarianship.

Married with two teenaged boys who bring much joy (mostly), Pilar enjoys playing soccer, running, and Bikram yoga.