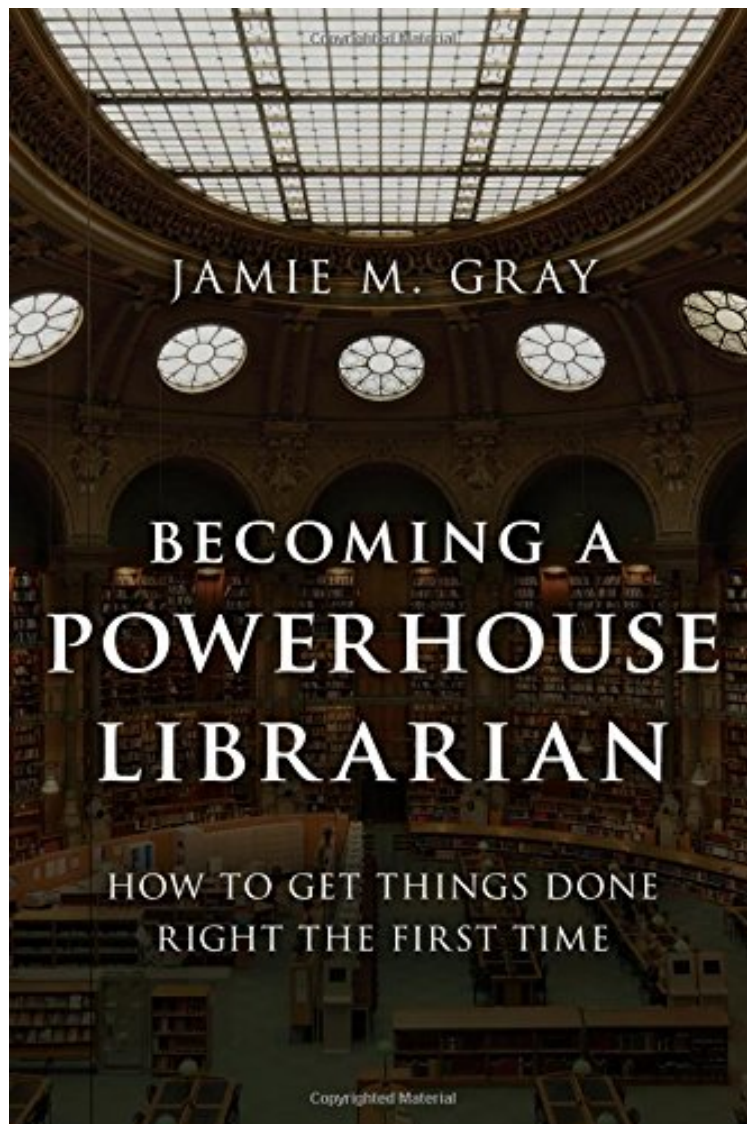


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Well written...By Teresa WebbWell written - very informative yet an easy read. I look forward to Ms. Gray's next book.

*Becoming a Powerhouse Librarian: How to Get Things Done Right the First Time* will help you recognize and implement specific behaviors and actions librarians use to successfully drive projects forward, institute new services or revamp old ones, and establish key relationships both inside and outside of the library. Each behavior or trait covered can be either developed or strengthened within an individual or team. The book features practical tips to build skills in each topic area. Examples of topics found in this book include: lifelong learning, risk-taking, creativity, identifying and leveraging stakeholders, creating balance, knowing when to lead and when to follow, handling setbacks and avoiding burnout. Each chapter includes: A basic description of the behavior and why it is important for success Overview of core building blocks/elements necessary within each chapter (ex. engaging external stakeholders vs. internal stakeholders) Examples of actions that readers can take (ex. establishing agreed upon language everyone can understand) Sidebar of 5 good and bad habits that can impact success Personal anecdotes from working librarians Whether you're just beginning your library career or you're a seasoned professional, *Becoming a Powerhouse Librarian* is sure to have something for you!

*Becoming a Powerhouse Librarian* offers professionals a plan to succeed by identifying recommended (and some required) paths to success, competency sets for the most successful professionals as well as strategies and tools to aid in assessing individual needs and how to "get there." I am especially recommending Gray's content on the need to understand and manage "change" in and of itself, risk taking - a necessary but often overlooked strength to cultivate, and Chapter 9 for "building skills sets." This publication overall supports the profession's focus on transformation by giving professionals the critical roadmap for re-envisioning themselves as the experts in the library's transformational processes. (Julie Todaro, 2016-2017 President, American Library Association and Dean of Library Services, Austin Community College) Written with humor and in a conversational style, *Becoming a Powerhouse Librarian* contains many gems of wisdom and advice for success at any stage in your career. Jamie Gray provides common sense advice and practical examples about the skills and practices you need to know to be successful at work and in life as a whole. From communication skills to networking strategies and leadership essentials, this book asks the reader to consider where they are now and where they want to go, and outlines the skills to get there. With these essential work and life skills, taken to heart and actively developed, anyone can become a Powerhouse Librarian. (Ann Whitney Gleason, Associate Director, University of Washington Health Sciences Library) Gray provides a multidimensional examination into what it takes to succeed in 21st century librarianship. Teeming with creative ideas and practical advice, *Becoming a Powerhouse Librarian* should be on every early-career librarians reading list. (Dean Hendrix, Dean of Libraries, University of Texas at San Antonio) About the Author Jamie M. Gray is an experienced librarian who has worked in both academia and the clinical environment. Ms. Gray received her MLS from the University at Buffalo in 2005. Over the course of her career, she has held a variety of roles related to research and instruction, emerging technologies, and library leadership.