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October 19, 2023 BOARD MEETING

California Library Services Board Mission

The mission of the California Library Services Board is to foster lifelong learning by ensuring that all Californians have free and convenient access to all library resources and services.

California Library Services Board Vision

The California Library Services Board values literacy, cooperation, diversity, service to the underserved, and access.

- **Literacy:** Promote the importance of reading and the skills needed by individuals to participate fully in society.
- **Cooperation:** Encourage the sharing of resources and collaboration among libraries and other government agencies, organizations, and diverse community groups.
- **Diversity:** Support programs and services that reflect the diverse population of California.
- **Service to the underserved:** Strengthen equitable distribution of resources and services to any population segment, regardless of economic status and other circumstances, whose needs are not adequately met by traditional library services patterns.
- **Access:** Affirm the principles of equitable access to resource across library systems through local control, local financing, and resource sharing.



MEETING NOTICE

California Library Services Board

October 19, 2023

10:30am – 12:30pm

Remote meeting:

This meeting will be a Zoom meeting

**If you would like to listen and/or participate in this meeting, please contact Iulia Bodeanu for the Zoom meeting information at:
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*LSTA Advisory Council on Libraries meeting
Immediately following Board business meeting.*

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A. BOARD OPENING

1. Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and introductions of Board members, staff, and audience

2. Adoption of Agenda

Consider agenda as presented or amended

3. Approval of May 23, 2023 Board Minutes – Document 1

Consider minutes as presented or amended

4. Meeting date for Winter & Spring 2024 – Document 2

Discuss dates for the upcoming Board meetings

B. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

1. Board President's Report

Report on activities since last Board meeting

2. Board Vice-President's Report

Report on activities since last Board meeting

3. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Report on activities since last Board meeting

C. CALIFORNIA LIBRARY SERVICES ACT

BUDGET AND PLANNING

1. Library Services Act Final Budget for FY 2023-2024 – Document 3

Consider FY 2023-2024 final budget

2. California Library Services Act System-level programs – Document 4

a) Review and approve Systems Plans of Service for FY 2023-2024

b) Consider Systems population and membership figures for FY 2023-2024

D. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

1. Overview of Legislation Affecting Libraries FY 2023-2024

Consider areas of legislative concern for the upcoming fiscal year

E. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS FY 2023-2024

Discussion items brought forward by the Board that fall under their purview

1. Presentation on Libraries in Correctional Facilities

Presentation by Brandy Buenafe, Principal Librarian at California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

2. Update on Imagination Library Project

Update regarding implementation of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library

3. Book Challenges and Censorship Issues in Libraries

Update regarding advocacy pertaining to book challenges

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment on any item or issue that is under the purview of the California Library Services Board and is not on the agenda

G. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/OFFICERS

Board member or officer comment on any item or issues that is under the purview of the California Library Services Board and is not on the agenda

H. OLD BUSINESS

Any old business the Board members wish to discuss

I. AGENDA BUILDING

Input on agenda items for subsequent Board meetings

J. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the meeting

California Library Services Board Meeting

May 23, 2023

Remote Meeting: Zoom

BOARD OPENING

Welcome and Introductions

President Williams called the California Library Services Board meeting to order on May 23, 2023, at 10:00 am.

Board Members Present:

Anne Bernardo, James Lau, Paymaneh Maghsoudi, Elizabeth Murguia, Maria Nieto Senour, Sandra Tauler, and Connie Williams.

California State Library Staff Present:

Deputy State Librarian Rebecca Wendt, General Counsel Scott Taylor, Library Development Services Bureau Chief Natalie Cole, Monica Rivas, Annly Roman, and Lena Pham.

Adoption of Agenda

It was moved, seconded (Maghsoudi/Bernardo) and carried unanimously that the California Library Services Board adopts the agenda for the May 23, 2023, meeting.

Approval of February 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes

It was moved, seconded (Bernardo/Senour) and carried unanimously that the California Library Services Board approves the draft minutes of the February 7, 2023, California Library Services Board meeting.

Meeting Dates – Spring & Fall 2023

Administrative Assistant Iulia Bodeanu will be sending out a doodle poll for possible dates for the upcoming Fall 2023 meeting.

Board Resolution – Sara Hernandez

Vice President Bernardo read resolution 2023-01 acknowledging Sara Hernandez's contribution and service to the California Library Services Board. President Williams said that at the next meeting we will be welcoming our newest board member Sharon Weissman.

1 **REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

2 **Board President's Report**

3 President Williams reported that she attended the California School Library
4 Association conference in Asilomar, CA. Discussions facing school libraries and
5 school library staff were addressed and are working on a legislative day and
6 getting AB 535 (School Library Lead) passed in the legislature.

7 **Vice President's Report**

8 Vice President Anne Bernardo stated that county law libraries are continuing
9 their efforts to secure state funding for the next fiscal year, given that it is a tough
10 budget year. SB 1 proposes to make changes to small claims and limited
11 jurisdiction courts and will impact funding of these courts. Continue to monitor
12 library list serves. Vice President Bernardo said she has been training the new law
13 library director in preparation for her retirement on June 16, 2023.

14 **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

15 Deputy State Librarian Rebecca Wendt reported that the May revision to the
16 Governor's budget has been released. There were no cuts from the January
17 budget with the same level of support. We hope this continues to the end of the
18 budget negotiations. SB 321 (Student Success Cards) will provide library cards for
19 all third-grade students in the state is currently in the Senate and will move to
20 assembly. It is on the State Library to work with local educational agencies to
21 ensure the program is implemented. The second round of the Building Forward
22 grant program closed last week with 148 applications. The May budget revision
23 allocated \$33 million each year for the next three years. \$176 million dollars remain
24 to be dispersed. Total requests for this round are \$546 million. Library Development
25 Services is working toward updating grant processes including streamlining
26 paperwork and reporting for the systems.

27 State-wide expansion of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library will start June 8,
28 2023, and relies on 41 local partnerships that continue to grow. The program
29 provides free books by mail between birth and 5-year-old, with one book per
30 month. The matching of state funds will allow for the expansion of the program
31 via the local partners. We are hopeful that the new pilot project, which provides
32 12 months of bilingual books, will also expand the reach of the program.

33 **BUDGET AND PLANNING**

34 **Library Services Act Preliminary Budget FY 2023-2024**

35 Monica Rivas presented the preliminary CLSA budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
36 and presented the following motion:
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2 ***It was moved, seconded (Tauler/Maghsoudi) and carried***
3 ***unanimously that the that the California Library Services Board adopt***
4 ***contingent upon the passage of the State Budget Act that the FY 23-***
5 ***24 CLSA budget as directed in the proposed 23-24 budget totaling***
6 ***\$3.63 million dollars for allocation to the cooperative library system.***

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8 Monica Rivas presented the preliminary CLSA budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
9 for the Zip Books program and presented the following motion:

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11 ***It was moved, seconded (Bernardo/Lau) and carried unanimously***
12 ***that the that the California Library Services Board the California***
13 ***Library Services Board approved the \$1 million allocated in the 23-24***
14 ***budget to invest in the Zip Books program to ensure timely and cost-***
15 ***effective access to information in California's hard to reach, and***
16 ***underserved communities.***

17 **RESOURCE SHARING**

18 **Annual Report for FY 2021-2022**

19 Monica Rivas stated that the Library systems continue to diligently spend their
20 funds and the category where the funds are most spent is for delivery. For the e-
21 resources and resources sharing on services such as Press Reader, Bibliotheca
22 Cloud Library, Overdrive, Canopy, Flipster. The systems are using some funding for
23 broadband services and Scenic. they back in this year. They also used SimplyE
24 and Inky, still diligently using all their money. For FY 21-22 there was an expenditure
25 of \$152,000 for e-resources and \$710,000 for delivery, in addition to roll over funds
26 allocated from previous years. We continue to work with systems in how they
27 spend their money and to streamline the reports to match the current granting
28 frameworks. Anne Bernardo stated she liked the format of the report because it
29 was easy to read and have financial information reported diligently.

30 31 **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

32 Deputy State Librarian Rebecca Wendt reported on current and pending
33 legislation include SB 321 (Student Success Cards) and AB 535 (State-wide Library
34 Lead), which are likely to pass both houses and AB 24 (Narcans administration)
35 which did not advance in the legislative process. There are a few bills that
36 impacted the California State Library Grants Portal but have been edited to
37 reflect a non-significant impact on the Grants Portal.

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1 **BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS FY 2023-2024**

2 President Williams stated the board packet includes a letter to be sent to
3 Governor Newsom advocating for library funding. President Williams asked the
4 board if there was input on the letter as a reminder to our legislators on the
5 significance of libraries in our communities and the need for ongoing funding.
6 Anne Bernardo added a comment that the \$3.36 million of CLSA funding be
7 retained in the budget.

8 Deputy State Librarian Rebecca Wendt stated that throughout the U.S. there
9 has been an increase in book challenges in libraries and school libraries. In 2022
10 1,835 new titles have been targeted and 1,640 titles throughout the U.S. were
11 banned. There seems to be a huge trend as 41% of those books explicitly address
12 LGBTQ+ themes or have protagonists or prominent secondary characters who are
13 LGBTQ+ and 40 include protagonists or secondary characters of color. Book
14 banning has been following a theme regarding the type of books that are being
15 targeted, and there are certainly a lot of organizations that are using social media
16 to promulgate this activity and copy the language used to challenge books.
17 There are a few locations in California that have experienced these types of
18 activities that we need to be aware of.

19 President Williams asked about AB 1078 (XXX) pertaining to book banning.
20 Deputy State Librarian Wendt state the bill requires the State Board of Education
21 to issue guidance related on how to help school districts, county offices of
22 education, charter schools, and school personnel, manage conversation about
23 race and gender, and how to review instructional materials, to ensure that they
24 represent diverse perspectives and are culturally relevant. President Williams
25 stated that the advice that County Libraries are giving their constituencies is to
26 develop a policy and to work with School Board to clearly outline steps in the
27 event of a book challenge.

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29 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

30 There was no public comment brought forward.

31 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/OFFICERS**

32 Monica Rivas stated that the 2023-2024 Zip Book applications just closed and
33 there were 99 applicants requesting \$1.4 million worth of funding. There is \$1 million
34 to distribute, and the Zip Books program continues to be popular. This is the
35 second year that the requests have exceeded the funds available. Board
36 members Murgia and Maghsoudi suggested identifying these statistics in the letter
37 to the Governor.

1 **OLD BUSINESS**

2 There was no old business brought forward.

3 **AGENDA BUILDING**

4 President Connie Williams stated she would like to keep the items of book bans
5 on the agenda. Board member Senour asked for a presentation on prison libraries.
6 Deputy State Librarian Wendt suggested contacting prison libraries might want to
7 talk with Brandy Buenafe, former board member and Principal Librarian for the
8 Department of Corrections. Board member Maghsoudi asked for an update on
9 the Imagination Library.

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11 **ADJOURNMENT**

12 President Williams called for the adjournment of the California Library Services
13 Board meeting at 10:48 PM.

AGENDA ITEM: Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 Meeting Schedule and Locations

Proposed Board Meeting Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Activities</u>
October 19, 2023	Virtual/Remote	Regular Business Plans of Service
January/February 2024	Virtual/Remote	Legislative priorities and budget review
April/May 2024	Virtual/Remote	Preliminary System Budgets

BACKGROUND:

California Library Services Act (CLSA) regulations specify that the Board shall conduct meetings at least twice a year.

AGENDA ITEM: Library Services Act Final Budget for FY 2023-2024

ISSUE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING:

Consider the Final CLSA budget for FY 2023-2024

1. RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD:

I move that the California Library Services Board adopt, the Final 2023/2024 budget as directed in the Governor's 2023/2024 Budget, totaling \$3,630,000 for allocation to Cooperative Library Systems.

2. RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD:

I move that the California Library Services Board approve the \$1 million allocated in the 2023/2024 budget to invest in the Zip Books program to ensure timely and cost-effective access to information in California's hard-to-reach and underserved communities.

ISSUE 1:

Consideration of the Final 2023/2024 CLSA budget totaling \$3,630,000 for allocation to Cooperative Library Systems **(Exhibit A)**.

ISSUE 2:

Consideration of the \$1 million allocated in the CLSA 2023/2024 budget to invest in the Zip Books.

BACKGROUND:

The Governor's final budget, released on June 30, 2023, for the 2023/2024 fiscal year, included a proposal to provide \$3,630,000 million in funding for the California Library Services Act and \$1 million in on-going funding for the Zip Books program.

RELATED ISSUES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD IN THE FUTURE:

Review and approve System Plans of Service and Budget for the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

CLSA Final System Budget Allocations- FY 2023/24

Communications and Delivery Program

System	Baseline Budget	System Administration	Total	Zipbooks
Black Gold	\$ 111,082	\$ 27,770	\$ 138,852	
49-99	\$ 120,101	\$ 30,025	\$ 150,126	
Inland	\$ 299,065	\$ 74,767	\$ 373,832	
NorthNet	\$ 663,910	\$ 165,977	\$ 829,887	
PLP	\$ 569,046	\$ 142,261	\$ 711,307	
SJVLS	\$ 191,525	\$ 47,881	\$ 239,407	
Santiago	\$ 177,074	\$ 44,268	\$ 221,342	
Serra	\$ 212,595	\$ 53,149	\$ 265,743	
SCLC	\$ 559,604	\$ 139,900	\$ 699,504	
Total funding	\$ 2,904,000	\$ 726,000	\$ 3,630,000	\$ 1,000,000

AGENDA ITEM: California Library Services Act System-level programs

ISSUE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING:

Consider the 2023/2024 CLSA System Plans of Service

Consider the 2023/2024 CLSA System Population and Membership figures.

1. RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD:

I move that the California Library Services Board approve the CLSA System Plans of Service and Budgets for the nine Cooperative Library Systems, submitted for fiscal year 2023/2024.

2. RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD:

I move that the California Library Services Board approve the System Population and Membership figures for use in the allocation of System funds for the fiscal year 2023/2024.

ISSUE 1:

Consideration of CLSA System Plans of Service for FY 2023/2024 (**Exhibit B**)

BACKGROUND:

CLSA System Plans of Service for FY 2023/2024 were submitted for Board approval as authorized in CLSA Sections 18724(b) and 18745. **Exhibit B** summarizes each System's goals for the Communications and Delivery (C&D) program funding, and how each will support the needs of their communities. It also displays program support through local funds and in-kinds contributions. C&D continues to be a valuable program as it provides the physical and digital delivery of materials within cooperative member libraries. **Exhibit C** gives the estimated workload for delivery and the vehicle used to transport materials throughout the region. **Exhibit D** displays a summary of the demographics of each System's service area. These statistics help ensure that underserved populations are addressed in system-wide services.

ISSUE 2:

Consideration of 2023/2024 CLSA System Population and Membership Figures (**Exhibit E**).

BACKGROUND:

Section 20158 of the Administrative Regulations provides for an annual review and approval of System population and membership figures used in the allocation of System funds by the State Board. Section 20106 stipulates that any CLSA funds distributed on the basis of population shall be awarded using the most recently published and available combined estimate for cities and counties from the State Department of Finance. By June 1st, the State Librarian must certify that the population for each public library jurisdiction is a true accounting of the geographic service area of California public library jurisdictions.

RELATED ISSUES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD IN THE FUTURE:

Review and approve System Plans of Service and Budget for the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

California Library Services Act
System Communications and Delivery Program
Plan of Service – FY 2023/2024

Pacific Library Partnership (PLP): 36 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$711,307

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$114,890.

- **\$10,810** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to Delivery will be used for **Delivery** in FY 2023-2024
- **\$990** of FY 2022-23 originally allocated to Local Cost will be used for **Local Cost** in FY 2023-2024
- **\$103,090** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **E-Resources** will be used for E-Resources in FY 2023-2024

CLSA Baseline Funding Total: \$569,046

- **Physical Delivery of materials (\$231,132)**

CLSA funds will continue to support the physical movement of resources from one library to another. Services within each of the four PLP regions as well as between the regions is handled through a combination of couriers as well as outsourcing the Peninsula Library System's in-house delivery.

Estimated average cost to move on item in the region: \$0.20.

- **E-Resource: (\$207,279)**

Overdrive (\$69,552), Flipster (\$42,727), Bibliotheca Cloud (\$10,000), E-books (\$35,000), and Future E-Resources Purchases (\$50,000)

An estimated 18 libraries will allocate \$114,552 for shared eMaterials including eBooks, eAudiobooks. This may be used for shared OverDrive or CloudLibrary collections, or to support the State Library's eBooks-for-All Palace project. To ensure equity and access among members, funds were allocated for the Shared Flipster Collection; a shared eMagazine resource for libraries with the smallest budgets. In FY 2023-24, the contract will be renewed for 8 libraries, for \$42,727.

- **Resource Sharing: (\$100,000)**

Link+(\$100,000)

PLP estimates that eleven libraries will use funding for Link+.

- **Broadband \$16,000**

CENIC (\$16,000)

It is estimated that two libraries will use \$16,000 for broadband costs, such as CENIC.

- **Office Supplies: (\$1,550)**

Postage: (\$800)

General Office Supplies (\$750)

• **Telecommunications: (\$13,085)**

Web updates/Hosting (\$4,000), ZOOM (\$700), Phone/Fax (\$6,400),
Basecamp/Doddle/Survey Monkey (\$1,985)

CLSA System Administrative Funding Total: \$142,261

Salary and Benefits for

- Chief Executive Officer: \$101,149 (FTE .37/1)
- Assistant Director: \$13,124 (FTE .06/1)
- Controller: \$15,833 (FTE .07/1)
- Operations Manager: \$5,736 (FTE .04/1)
- Accounting Clerk: \$4,323 (FTE .04/1)
- Administrative Assistant II: \$2,096 (FTE .03/1)

Program support using non-CLSA funds:

- PLP member libraries contribute \$859,897 in local funds to support 5-day delivery.
- Use local funds for ILL services such as OCLC inter-library loan and Link+.
- PLP libraries also use local funds for E-Resources.

Meeting the Goals of the community: PLP primary goals is to share materials and resources (both physical and electronic). These goals are being met through using CLSA funds to support shared courier/delivery services, shared E-Materials including eBooks and E-Audiobooks, Link+ material sharing, and to support the networks within the libraries to deliver these services to residents.

PLP member libraries continue to place the highest value and priority on the delivery of physical materials. The ability to provide delivery services in support of resource sharing allows member libraries to enhance the breadth and depth of their individual collections. PLP supports four separate delivery services throughout the PLP service area, and each region's cost for delivery is covered either partially or fully, based on a baseline of delivery service.

PLP surveyed its member libraries to review their current CLSA allocations, to understand the changing needs of the libraries and the communities they service, and to gather ideas for shared eResources which might be funded with CLSA funds. The PLP Executive Committee has reviewed these priorities, and at the May 2023 PLP Executive Committee meeting, the Committee approved continuation of the model for distribution of CLSA funds, allocating funds to PLP public libraries based on a formula.

Total CLSA Baseline Funds with ROLLVER for PLP: \$683,936

Fiscal Year	Administrative Funding	Baseline Program Funding	Intentions for funding	Status of funding	Previously approved purpose
2023-2024	\$142,261	\$569,046	E-Resources: \$207,279 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flipster: \$42,727 • OverDrive \$69,552 • Bibliotheca Cloud \$10,000 • E-books \$35,000 • Future E-res. Purchase \$50,000 Office Supplies: \$1,550 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postage: \$800 • General office supplies: \$750 Delivery: \$231,132 Resource Sharing: \$100,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link+: \$100,000 Telecommunications: \$13,085 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website Hosting \$ 4,000 • Zoom \$700 • Phone & fax: \$6,400 • Basecamp, Doddle \$1,985 Broadband: \$16,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cenic: \$16,000 	Not yet approved.	N/A
2022-20223	\$0	\$114,890	E-Resources: \$103,090 Local Cost/ Telecom: \$990 Delivery: \$10,810	rollover; will use in Fiscal Year 2023-2024	E-Resources Local Cost/Telecom Delivery
TOTAL:	\$142,261	\$683,936			

NorthNet Library System (NLS): 44 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$829,887

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$0

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: (\$663,910)

- **Physical delivery of materials (\$176,453)**

Contracted Van \$176,453

CLSA funds will continue to support the physical movement of resources from one library to another. This delivery system enables resource sharing among System members which is a high priority for most NLS libraries.

Estimated average cost to move on item in the region: Because of the variations in delivery demand and method, the costs differ from one region to another. For contracted services, costs are based on volume, number of stops and distance. Cost of shipping items through package delivery is determined based on weight and other variables. Approximately 16 of the 40 NLS member libraries utilize a contract courier service to move items, in addition to their local branch-to-branch delivery.

Shared E-Resource: (\$313,907)

OverDrive (\$254,907), E-books (\$15,000), and E-Magazines (\$44,000)

Shared e-resources remain a priority for all NLS members, especially those in smaller, more geographically remote areas. NLS surveyed its member libraries to determine funding priorities and the Executive Committee approved CLSA funds to be used for the e-resources consortia of OverDrive eBooks/eAudiobooks and eMagazines. For **OverDrive eBooks/eAudiobooks**, the investment in the shared collection among 27-member library systems has proven to be very successful, and usage continues to increase. For **OverDrive eMagazines**, the shared consortium purchase allows members to receive significant discounted subscription rates on electronic periodicals.

- **Telecommunications: (\$3,650)**

Web Updates/Hosting (\$2,205), ZOOM (\$450), Phone/Fax (\$450), and Doodle/Survey Monkey (\$545)

- **Office Supplies: (\$350)**

Postage (\$250)

General Office Supplies (\$100)

- **Broadband (\$40,000)**

CENIC (\$40,000)

Five libraries will allocate funds for CENIC or other service provider costs, subscription, or hardware costs.

- **Resource Sharing: (\$129,550)**

Link+ (\$129,000)

OCLC ILL (\$550)

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: (\$165,977)

Salary and benefits for: (\$162,971)

- Chief Executive Officer: \$ 27,647 (FTE .1/1)
- System Coordinator: \$50,700 (FTE .33/1)
- Controller: \$26,091 (FTE .11/1)
- Operations Manager: \$29,099 (FTE .2/1)
- Accounting Clerk: \$8,126 (FTE .08/1)
- Administrative Assistant II: \$3,649 (FTE .04/1)
- Administrative Assistant: \$4,928 (FTE .1/1)
- Fiscal Admin. Svs. Specialist: \$12,731 (FTE .09/1)
- Coordinator: \$50,700 (FTE .33/1)

Indirect Cost: **\$3,006**

Contracted services to PLP for fiscal and administrative support and services (preparation of system for audit, budgeting, accounts receivable and payable, contract preparation, and submission of reports fiscal accountability). Includes overhead costs.

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

- Support NLS Delivery Cost \$174,376
- NLS libraries also use local funds to enable effective resource sharing.

Meeting the Goals of the community: NLS's primary goals are to share materials and resources (both physical and electronic), and these goals are being met through using CLSA funds to support shared courier/delivery services and shared E-Materials, including eBooks, E-Audiobooks, and E-Magazines.

NLS leadership has conducted numerous member surveys over the past several years to understand how they can better serve all NLS libraries and their communities and to determine how to most equitably distribute and allocate CLSA funding throughout the region. NLS hired a qualified consultant to complete a study of the existing cost share formula for California Library Services Act (CLSA) funds, as well as examine the priorities of services paid for using CLSA funds.

The study included an analysis of the current CLSA member cost share formula, the current CLSA shared services cost allocation plan, and the current CLSA menu of services. The analysis also included a review of recent member surveys and results, surveys, and interviews with NLS directors, analysis of formulas from other CLSA cooperatives, and other data points. The Administrative Council approved the report and the funding formula which will support the needs of the diverse communities within NorthNet.

Inland Library System: 19 Members

Total CLSA Budget \$373,832

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$0.

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: (\$299,065)

- **Delivery of physical materials:** (\$27,000)

Inland's delivery service is a vital service that assists all member libraries, large and small, urban, and rural, in maintaining their ability to satisfy patron demand efficiently and effectively.

Estimated average cost to move on item in the region: \$3.38 without staff and \$4.05 with staff costs.

- **E-Resources:** (\$263,234)

Bibliotheca Cloud Library (\$106,413)

This shared platform through Bibliotheca Cloud Library offers over 3,200 online magazines for patrons across Inyo, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties. Additionally, four member libraries are allocating their CLSA funding to purchase titles for their libraries.

OverDrive (\$79,403)

Seven member libraries will receive eBook and E-Audio selections.

Hoopla (\$25,057)

Five libraries will subscribe to Hoopla.

Niche Academy (\$21,198)

One library will subscribe to Niche Academy.

Palace Project (\$6,327)

One library will add additional titles to their Palace Project platform.

Transparent Language (\$2,077)

One library will add a subscription to Transparent Library's online learning platform.

Future Purchases (\$1,561)

One library is in the process of determining whether to allocate funds to Overdrive, Hoopla, or Kanopy.

Kanopy (\$21,198)

One library will add Kanopy streaming services for patrons.

- **Telecommunications: (\$5,662)**

- Zoom: (\$163)

- These funds will pay for licensing the Zoom application to ensure online meeting capabilities for this extremely large geographic area.

- Support (\$1,748)

- Funding for IT support for the System's administrative/ fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size, to ensure System staff can respond when System hardware is not working as intended.

- Internet (\$1,107)

- Connectivity, both basic service and high-speed access, is extremely important for one System member: Palo Verde Valley. Without CLSA funds, Palo Verde Valley would have no alternative source for funds and this already internet-poor area would have no options for low-cost internet access. Funding for staff internet costs provided by the System's administrative/fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size.

- Phone/Fax (\$ 2,644)

- The phone is another lifeline for a staff that is predominantly remote, and business is conducted using the phone routinely. Funding for phones for the System's administrative/fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size.

- **Office Supplies (\$3,169)**

- Shared expenses for general office supplies.

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$74,767

Salary and Benefits for:

- Executive Director: \$19,582 (FTE .097/1)
- Deputy Director: \$4,776 (FTE .030/1)
- Controller: \$27,006 (FTE .205/1)
- Project Manager: \$2,605 (FTE .019/1)
- Administrative Assistant: \$20,798(FTE .197/1)

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

- Each member library supports the programs (e-resources and internet) with some level of local funding. At this time, it is not known, given that local budgets are not yet passed, how much additional support they will receive.

Meeting the Goals of the community: Inland system members consider a variety of factors in setting goals for determining community needs, including prior year usage statistics, community demographics, industry data trends, the overall composition of the system (urban, suburban, rural), and anticipated events for both the system and individual member libraries (location closures, staffing issues, etc.). Their goal is to provide funding that is flexible enough to accommodate the needs of their specific communities while still meeting the larger system goals of providing equitable services.

Santiago Library System: 10 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$221,342

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$ 0.

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: \$177,074

- **E-Resources: (\$78,278)**

OverDrive: (\$40,523)

Six member libraries have allocated funds to purchase eBooks and E-Audiobooks for their collections based upon feedback from the previous year and circulation statistics.

Bibliotheca Cloudlibrary: (\$34,986)

Three libraries have opted to allocate funds to enhance their Cloud Library collections.

Kanopy: (\$2,769)

One member will be allocating funds to support their Kanopy subscription.

Telecommunications: (\$90,045)

Internet (\$87,281)

One member library is allocating funds to offset service fees and ensure access to high-speed connections. Both remain a critical lifeline in this System area where, although mostly urban and suburban, there remains a considerable population of individuals and families underserved by internet service providers. Funding for staff internet costs provided by the System's administrative/fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size.

ZOOM (\$163)

The continued ability to facilitate hybrid meetings will remain essential during the next year. Access to Zoom, a stable, easy to use platform, will ensure the System remains flexible to meet, regardless of whatever conditions may be present.

Support (\$1,035)

Funding for IT support for the System's administrative/ fiscal agent are being requested proportionate to the System's size.

Phone/Fax (\$1,566)

The phone is a lifeline for the Santiago staff that is predominantly remote, and business is conducted using the phone routinely. Funding for phones for the System's administrative/ fiscal agent are being requested proportionate to the System's size.

Office Supplies (\$1,876)

Shared expenses for general office supplies.

Other: Audit (\$6,875)

The System participates in an annual audit of its financial records and practices to ensure compliance with accepted accounting standards.

Estimated average cost to move an item in the regions \$0.29 and \$0.88 including salaries, employee benefits, vehicle maintenance, and fuel.

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$44,268

Salary and benefits for:

- Executive Director: \$8,636 (FTE .043/1)
- Deputy Director: \$2,454 (FTE .015/1)
- Controller: \$19,180 (FTE .146/1)
- Project Manager: \$1,590 (FTE .012/1)
- Administrative Assistant: \$12,408 (FTE .118/1)

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

Each member library supports the programs (eResources and internet) with some level of local funding. At this time, it is not known, given that local budgets are not yet passed, exactly how much additional support they will receive.

Meeting the Goals of the community:

Santiago System members continually monitor the usage patterns of patrons including checkouts, holds, requests, and internet traffic. Each member evaluates this information periodically, and, with an eye toward their individual budgets, makes recommendations for how the System should prioritize its goals.

Access to eResources and stable, secure internet connectivity remains a high priority across the System, which is why both are featured prominently in this allocation. Additionally, System staff survey the Board to assist in the creation of this document to ensure the voices of all members are heard and featured in the discussion.

Serra Library System: 13 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$265,743

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$163,708.

- **\$34,736** from FY 2021-2022 originally allocated to **Resource Sharing** will be used for Resource Sharing in FY 2023-2024
- **\$2,060** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **Audit** will be used for the Audit in FY 2023-2024
- **\$101** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **E-Resources** will be used for E-Resources in FY 2023-2024
- **\$123,328** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **Resource Sharing** will be used for Resource Sharing in FY 2023-2024
- **\$3,483** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to Delivery will be used for **Delivery** in FY 2023-2024

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: \$212,595

- **Physical delivery of materials. (\$14,420)**

Courier Delivery enables transit of materials between member libraries, enabling patrons to use more than one library system to meet their needs.

Estimated average cost to move one item in the region: \$0.65 and \$0.78 with staff included.

- **E-Resources: (\$121,828)**

- Overdrive (\$75,000)

Funds for a shared collection of Overdrive eBooks and E-Audio books. Heavily used, each year Serra members supplement the CLSA allocation with local funding to meet increased demand. For some of the smaller jurisdictions, this is the only way for them to build or offer a robust eBook collection

- Flipster; (\$46,828)

This highly popular collection will now cover the entire System with the reincorporation of San Diego Public Library into the System's contract. Along with the expanded location access, alternative titles have been added to Flipster's roster.

- **Resource Sharing: (\$64,187)**

- LINK+

This service was previously only offered at a few of Serra's member libraries but thanks to CLSA and local funding from Imperial County, all System member patrons will now have expanded access to materials across the two counties.

- **Telecommunications: (\$3,410)**

- Zoom: (\$163)

ZOOM license

Support: (\$),243)

Funding for IT support for the System's administrative/ fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size.

Internet (\$124)

Funding for staff internet costs provided by the System's administrative/fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size.

Phone/Fax (\$1,880)

The phone is lifeline for a staff that is predominantly remote, and business is conducted using the phone routinely. Funding for phones for the System's administrative/fiscal agent proportionate to the System's size.

- **General Supplies: \$2,250**
Shared expenses for general office supplies.
- **Other: Audit (\$6,500)**

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$53,149

Salary and Benefits:

- Executive Director: \$14,445 (FTE .71/1)
- Deputy Director: \$2,004 (FTE .013/1)
- Controller: \$17,303 (FTE .131/1)
- Project Manager: \$2,359 (FTE .017/1)
- Administrative Assistant: \$17,038(FTE .0161/1)

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

- Serra provided non-CLSA funding for Overdrive, Flipster, and delivery.
- Serra expects the need to supplement CLSA funding with local funds to the amount of \$292,000 to help offset the first three years of LINK+ implementation fees.

Meeting the Goals of the community:

Serra members continually survey patrons to determine satisfaction with their current selection of materials and services. The system's goal remains to offer the best variety of materials and services distributed equitably across their service area. Given how geographically diverse the System is, with a mix of urban, rural, and suburban systems, and having two very large library members that are among the largest library systems in the state, it is critical that a variety of culturally diverse resources is offered in a manner that is as timely and efficient as possible.

Total CLSA BASELINE Funds with ROLLOVER for SERRA: \$376,303

Fiscal Year	Administrative Funding	Baseline Program Funding	Intentions for funding	Status of funding	Previously approved purpose
2023-2024	\$53,149	\$212,595	E-Resources: \$121,828 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OverDrive: \$75,000 • Flipster: \$46,828 Delivery: \$14,420 Other: Audit \$6,500 Telecommunications: \$3,410 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ZOOM: \$163 • Support: \$1,243 • Internet \$124 • Phone/Fax \$1,880 Resource Sharing: \$64,187 (Link+) Office Supplies: \$2,250	Not yet approved	N/A
2022-23	\$0	\$128,972	E-Resources \$101 Delivery: \$3,483 Resource Sharing: \$123,328 Audit: \$2,060	rollover; will use in Fiscal Year 2023-2024	E-Resources Delivery Resource Sharing Audit
2021-2022	\$0	\$34,736	Resource Sharing: \$34,736	rollover; will use in Fiscal Year 2022-2023	Resource Sharing
TOTAL:	\$53,149	\$376,303			

Southern California Library Cooperative (SCLC): 40 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$699,504

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$490,748.

- **\$3,519** from FY 2021-2022 originally allocated to **Telecommunications** will be used for Telecommunications in FY 2023-2024
- **\$3,236** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to Audit will be used for the **Audit** in FY 2023-2024
- **\$21,854** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to Delivery will be used for **Delivery** in FY 2023-2024
- **\$30,000** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **Telecommunications** will be used for Telecommunications in FY 2023-2024
- **\$428,746** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **E-Resources** will be used for E-Resources in FY 2023-2024
- **\$3,393** from FY 2022-2023 originally allocated to **Office Supplies** will be used for Office Supplies in FY 2023-2024

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: \$559,604

- **Delivery of Physical Materials: (\$150,487)**

Courier delivery services will move materials between SCLC's 40 member libraries through weekly pickups and deliveries. While courier delivery had previously been viewed as a means of transporting materials back to owning libraries. Delivery is now being adopted as a tool for low-cost interlibrary loan, whereby a patron could request an item from any library within SCLC and have it delivered to the library that is most convenient to them.

Estimated average cost to move one item in the region: \$3.80 and \$4.56 including staff cost.

- **Telecommunications: (\$33,519 from FY 2021-2022 and 2022-2023; \$11,719 will be rolled over to 2024-2025)**

Website Updates/Hosting (\$700)

An online presence is necessary for SCLC member libraries and the public to be able to get real-time updates and document retrieve relating to the System.

Internet (\$800)

Internet connectivity is crucial to maintain SCLC System operations. With an almost fully remote staff, the daily work of the organization is conducted remotely requiring high speed and a secure connectivity.

Tech Support (\$8,000)

IT support for System staff is essential to ensure staff can respond when System hardware is not working as intended.

Phone/Fax (\$9,100)

Web Software (\$200)

VOIP (\$3,000)

- **E-Resources: (\$379,630)**

Press Reader (\$368,435)

Systemwide purchase that provides all member libraries with access to newspapers across the world and enables patrons of diverse backgrounds to receive news and information from their home country, in their language.

Gale Archives of Sexuality and Gender (\$1,218)

This extensive and unique collection of primary sources covers the depth and breadth of 20th and 21st century human sexuality.

E-Resource To be Determined (\$9,977)

SCLC is in the process of determining whether to enhance existing e-resources or to put these funds towards an additional, approved e-resource.

- **Other: Audit (\$15,764)**

The System participates in an annual audit of its financial records to ensure the accuracy of its records and financial bookkeeping.

- **Office Supplies: (\$13,723)**

Duplication/Photocopy (\$1,500)

Postage (\$800)

General Office Supplies (\$11,423)

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$139,900

Salary and Benefits for:

- Executive Director: \$31,611 (FTE .156/1)
- Deputy Director: \$33,556 (FTE .212/1)
- Controller: \$24,345 (FTE .185/1)
- Project Manager: \$21,663 (FTE .158/1)
- Administrative Assistant: \$28,725 (FTE .272/1)

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

Access to these vital resources isn't being funded locally, which is why the CLSA funds are being used to fund Systemwide selections. Given that most System members are smaller libraries with smaller budgets, Systemwide funding of this kind is essential to ensure their patrons have access to these vital and robust international resources.

Meeting the Goals of the community:

System members continually survey patrons to determine satisfaction with their current selection of materials and services. Member libraries refine their services, start new programs and services, or stop offering some products and services based on low usage and feedback from staff or the public.

The System's goal remains to offer the best variety of materials and services distributed equitably across the service area. Given how geographically diverse the System is, with a mix of urban, rural, and suburban systems, and having two of the largest library members in the state, it is critical that a variety of culturally diverse resources is offered in a manner that is as timely and efficient as possible.

Total CLSA BASELINE Funds with ROLLOVER for SCLC: \$1,050,352

Fiscal Year	Administrative Funding	Baseline Program Funding	Intentions for funding	Status of funding	Previously approved purpose
2023-2024	\$139,900	\$559,604	E-Resources: \$379,630 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press Reader: \$368,435 • Gayle Archives: \$1,218 • To Be Determined: \$9,977 Delivery: \$150,487 Other: Audit \$15,764 Office Supplies: \$13,723 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postage: \$800 • General Office Supplies: \$11,423 • Duplication/photocopy \$1,500 	Not yet approved	N/A
2022-2023		\$3,393	Office Supplies	rollover; will use in Fiscal Year 2023-2024	Office Supplies
2022-2023		\$428,746	E-Resources		E-Resources
2022-2023		\$21,854	Delivery		Delivery
2022-2023		\$3,236	Audit		Audit
2022-2023		\$30,000	Telecommunications		Telecommunications
2021-2022	\$0	\$3,519	Telecommunications		Telecommunications

TOTAL:	\$139,900	\$1,050,352
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49-99 Cooperative Library System: 6 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$150,126

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$0

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: \$120,101

- **Resource Sharing: (\$109,957)**

Link+

49-99 member libraries will continue to use funds to support the LINK+ program and accompanying delivery between locations in 49-99. The program provides much needed materials to rural communities who, without it, would not otherwise have access.

- **Other: Audit (\$6,875)**

- **Telecommunication (\$1,997)**

Support (\$702)

ZOOM (\$163)

Internet (\$70)

Phone/Fax (\$1,062)

- General Supplies (\$1,272)

Estimated average cost to move one item in the region: \$0.73 without staff and \$0.88 with staff.

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$30,025

Salary and benefits for:

- Executive Director: \$1,762 (FTE .009/1)
- Deputy Director: \$12,634 (FTE .080/1)
- Controller: \$9,765 (FTE .074/1)
- Project Manager: \$579 (FTE .004/1)
- Administrative Assistant: \$5,285 (FTE .050/1)

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

Member libraries pay annual membership dues to the Cooperative. This is non-CLSA and nonrestricted revenue. This funding is available, if needed, to support the cost of System Administration. In recent years, it has also helped cover any funding gaps in LINK+ and the accompanying delivery service. Approximately \$38,220 in local funds from System membership dues are available to help cover up to about 25% of the annual cost of LINK+ and the accompanying delivery services after CLSA funds are applied.

Meeting the Goals of the community:

49-99 is composed of mostly small, rural library locations, some of which are part of larger county library systems. As such, providing equitable access to resources

continues to be a top priority for 49-99 members. The size and budgets of many of these libraries are small, resulting in the local collections being limited in many areas. These limited collections are often challenged to provide access to materials and meet the demands of the communities.

Other programs available are also useful in helping reduce barriers and increasing access, they are relatively costly for member libraries when compared to the selection available through LINK+ and delivery. LINK+ and delivery continue to be not just a valued, but a vital service in these communities. While 49-99 member libraries are aware of and some may take part in the statewide digital resource sharing projects offered, such as the Palace project, LINK+ and the accompanying delivery remain crucial for the Cooperative's communities and statistically, continue to be the best investment for our communities.

San Joaquin Valley Library System (SJVLS): 10 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$239,407

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$0.

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: \$191,525

*Note: Baseline budget after the rollover of **Administrative Funds is \$239,407**

- **Delivery: (\$239,407)**

Delivery services supports resource sharing amongst all SJVLS member libraries and provides the most equitable use of CLSA funds.

Estimated average cost to move one item in the region: \$0.34.

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$47,881

Note: SJVLS does not use any administrative funds, instead they roll over their funds to the baseline.

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

SJVLS will supplement the funding for E-Resources, Telecommunications, and Resource Sharing through membership contributions or other sources of funding such as: E-Rate reimbursements or State and Federal grant programs.

Meeting the Goals of the community:

SJVLS serves a diverse population of residents spread over a large service area. The ten jurisdictions that comprise SJVLS contain a mixture of urban and rural library branches. Many of these locations are geographically isolated and are the only library branch available to residents. SJVLS has identified resource sharing as one of the largest needs of their community, and the shared ILS, electronic collections, and system delivery are how to address these needs.

SJVLS's goal for the Communication and Delivery funding 2023-2024 CLSA allocation are to continue support physical resource sharing amongst the members of their cooperative system. Utilizing their CLSA funding in a manner that ensures all SJVLS patrons will continue to be able to request the materials they need, regardless of their location within the system, and provide equal benefits to all its members.

Black Gold Cooperative Library System: 6 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$138,852

Previous year(s) CLSA funds being used: \$0.

CLSA Baseline Funding Budget: \$111,082

*Note: Baseline budget after the rollover of Administrative Funds is \$138,852

- **Delivery of Physical Materials (\$75,912)**

Estimated average cost to move one item in the region: \$0.22.

- **E-Resources (\$62,940)**

OverDrive (\$62,940)

All 6 of Black Gold's member library jurisdictions share an ILS/Catalog and use of e-resources through OverDrive.

CLSA System Administrative Funding Budget: \$27,770

Note: Black Gold does not use any administrative funds, instead they roll over their funds to the baseline.

Program Support using non-CLSA funding:

- Telecommunication costs are anticipated to be \$193,000. No CLSA funding goes toward these costs.
- E-resources, which are supplemented by local funds are anticipated to be \$116,750. 45% will be paid with local funds.
- Delivery costs are anticipated to be \$75,912 and will be paid 100% by CLSA funds.

Meeting the Goals of the community:

Black Gold values their ability to access the vast collection held throughout the Black Gold Library System. The needs of their library community are best met when patrons can request items from other libraries within their System, and still be able to pick them up locally. Black Gold accomplishes this efficiently through a shared ILS and delivery system. Patrons are increasingly accessing their e-resources, so as a Cooperative, they continue to expand their shared digital collection through OverDrive.

Exhibit C**System Communications & Delivery Program
2023/24 Service Methods and Workload Estimates**

	Delivery workloads (items)	System Van	Contracted Delivery	US Mail	UPS	Other
Black Gold	532,155	0%	98%	2%	0%	0%
49-99	75,000	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Inland	8,000	0%	99%	1%	0%	0%
NorthNet	820,000	0%	94.8%	5%	0.2%	0%
PLP	2,875,127	0%	99.9%	0.1%	0%	0%
SJVLS	700,000	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Santiago	1,250	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Serra	26,000	0%	0%	1%	0%	99%
SCLC	17,500	0%	99%	1%	0%	0%
TOTALS	5,055,032	0%	98.8%	1.1%	0.02%	0.08%

System Demographics

Statistics taken from the 2023/2024 Plans of Service are Derived from a Combination of Federal State, County, and Municipal Sources

SYSTEMS	BLACK GOLD	49-99	INLAND	NORTHNET	PLP	SJVLS	SANTIAGO	SERRA	SCLC	Total Population all Systems
Total Population	404,365	1,471,401	4,568,214	4,897,952	6,997,358	2,984,159	3,137,164	3,449,231	10,507,126	38,416,970

Underserved Populations

SYSTEMS	BLACK GOLD	49-99	INLAND	NORTHNET	PLP	SJVLS	SANTIAGO	SERRA	SCLC	TOTAL POP.	Total %
Economically Disadvantaged	6.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	8.39%	18.83%	10%	11.00%	14%	0	0.0%
Institutionalized	3%	2.00%	2%	1.32%	0.72%	2.64%	1.00%	3%	2%	0	0.0%
Aged 65+	15.00%	15.00%	14.00%	17.73%	15.08%	11.58%	16.00%	15.00%	2.00%	0	0.0%
Children & Youth Under 5	7.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.70%	5.67%	7.45%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	0	0.0%
5 to 9	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	6.16%	5.77%	7.99%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	0	0.0%
10 to 14	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%	6.58%	6.19%	8.52%	6.00%	6.00%	7%	0	0.0%
15 to 19	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	6.45%	6.03%	7.64%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%	0	0.0%
Disabled (people)	12.00%	13.00%	12.00%	12.80%	9.42%	11.90%	9.00%	10%	11.00%	0	0.0%
Limited English Speaking	35.00%	52.00%	55.00%	9.28%	16.88%	20.12%	61.00%	49.00%	77.00%	0	0.0%
Non-English Speaking	12%	2.00%	2.00%	24.16%	44.47%	UNAVBL	2.00%	1.00%	4.00%	0	0.0%
Ethnicity											
Black	1.50%	7.00%	9%	5.40%	5.66%	4.20%	3.00%	7.00%	9.00%	0	0.0%
Hispanic	62.00%	43.00%	55%	23.01%	26.79%	56.28%	34.00%	38.00%	54.00%	0	0.0%
Asian	4.00%	14.00%	9.00%	10.45%	29.13%	6.64%	25.00%	15.00%	17.00%	0	0.0%
Native American	0.50%	6.00%	4.00%	1.12%	0.68%	1.15%	22.00%	3.00%	4.00%	0	0.0%
Other*	0.10%	38.00%	47.00%	0.61%	0.58%	0.16%	29%	32.00%	43.00%	0	0.0%
Geographically Isolated	8.00%	17.00%	7.00%	UNAVBL	UNAVBL	UNAVBL	0.20%	5.00%	1.00%	0	0.0%
Functionally Illiterate	5.00%	14.00%	13.00%	7.99%	15.22%	16.27%	10.00%	9.00%	15%	0	0.0%
Shut-in	3%	5.00%	5.00%	4.88%	3.87%	4.35%	4.00%	4.00%	5.00%	0	0.0%

All #'s in thousands

*Other: White, Multi-race, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander;

UNAVLB: Unavailable; SHUT-IN: Adult independent living as part of disability

2023/24 Population and Membership Figures

SYSTEM/MEMBER	POPULATION
Pacific Library Partnership – 36 Members (BALIS+MOBAC+PLS+SVLS)	7,014,057
<u>BALIS – 11 Members</u>	3,615,550
Alameda County Library	
Alameda Free Library	
Berkeley Public Library	
Contra Costa County Library	
Hayward Public Library	
Livermore Public Library	
Oakland Public Library	
Pleasanton Public Library	
Richmond Public Library	
San Francisco Public Library	
San Leandro Public Library	
 <u>MOBAC – 10 Members</u>	 771,902
Carmel (Harrison) Memorial Library	
Monterey County Free Library	
Monterey Public Library	
Pacific Grove Public Library	
Salinas Public Library	
San Benito County Free Library	
San Juan Bautista City Library	
Santa Cruz Public Library	
Watsonville Public Library	
+ King City/Monterey County	
 <u>PENINSULA – 8 Members</u>	 740,526
Burlingame Public Library	
Daly City Public Library	
Menlo Park Public Library	
Redwood City Public Library	
San Bruno Public Library	
San Mateo County Library	
San Mateo Public Library	
South San Francisco Public Library	
 <u>SILICON VALLEY – 7 Members</u>	 1,886,079
Los Gatos Public Library	
Mountain View Public Library	
Palo Alto City Library	
San Jose Public Library	
Santa Clara City Library	
Santa Clara County Library District	
Sunnyvale Public Library	

SYSTEM/MEMBERS	POPULATION
BLACK GOLD – 6 Members	404,204
Carpinteria Library Goleta Public Library Lompoc Public Library Paso Robles Public Library Santa Maria Public Library Santa Paula (Blanchard Community) Library	
49-99 – 6 Members	1,471,401
Amador County Library Calaveras County Library Lodi Public Library Stanislaus County Free Library Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library Tuolumne County Free Library	
INLAND – 19 Members	4,387,428
Banning Unified School District Library Beaumont Library District Colton Public Library Corona Public Library Hemet Public Library Inyo County Free Library Moreno Valley Public Library Murrieta Public Library Ontario City Library Palm Springs Public Library Palo Verde Valley Library District Rancho Cucamonga Public Library Rancho Mirage Public Library Riverside County Library System Riverside Public Library San Bernardino County Library San Bernardino Public Library Upland Public Library Victorville Public Library	
SANTIAGO – 10 Members	2,837,534
Anaheim Public Library Buena Park Library District Fullerton Public Library Huntington Beach Public Library Mission Viejo Public Library Newport Beach Public Library Orange County Public Library Orange Public Library Placentia Library District Yorba Linda Public Library	

SYSTEM/MEMBERS	POPULATION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LIBRARY COOPERATIVE – 40 Members (MCLS+SSCLS)	10,018,031
<u>MCLS – 36 Members</u>	6,365,118
Alhambra Public Library	
Altadena Library District	
Arcadia Public Library	
Azusa City Library	
Beverly Hills Public Library	
Burbank Public Library	
Calabasas Public Library	
Camarillo Public Library	
City of Commerce Public Library	
Covina Public Library	
Downey City Library	
El Segundo Public Library	
Glendale Public Library	
Glendora Library & Cultural Center	
Irwindale Public Library	
Long Beach Public Library	
Los Angeles Public Library	
Monrovia Public Library	
Monterey Park (Bruggemeyer) Memorial Library	
Moorpark City Library	
Oxnard Public Library	
Palos Verdes Library District	
Pomona Public Library	
Redondo Beach Public Library	
San Marino Public Library	
Santa Clarita Public Library	
Santa Fe Springs City Library	
Santa Monica Public Library	
Sierra Madre Public Library	
Signal Hill Public Library	
Simi Valley Public Library	
South Pasadena Public Library	
Thousand Oaks Library	
Torrance Public Library	
Ventura County Library Services Agency	
Whittier Public Library	
<u>SOUTH STATE – 4 Members</u>	3,652,913
County of Los Angeles Public Library	
Inglewood Public Library	
Palmdale City Library	
Pasadena Public Library	

SYSTEM/MEMBERS	POPULATION
NorthNet Library System – 44 Members (MVLS+NBC+NSCLS)	5,037,684
<u>MVLS – 14 Members</u>	2,697,890
Alpine County Library	
Colusa County Free Library	
El Dorado County Library	
Folsom Public Library	
Lincoln Public Library	
Mono County Free Library	
Nevada County Library	
Placer County Library	
Roseville Public Library	
Sacramento Public Library	
Sutter County Library	
Woodland Public Library	
Yolo County Library	
Yuba County Library	
<u>NORTH BAY – 17 Members</u>	1,590,434
Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency	
Benicia Public Library	
Dixon Library District	
Lake County Library	
Larkspur Public Library	
Marin County Free Library	
Mendocino County Library	
Mill Valley Public Library	
Napa City-County Library	
San Anselmo Public Library	
San Rafael Public Library	
Sausalito Public Library	
Solano County Library	
Sonoma County Library	
St. Helena Public Library	
+ Vacaville/Solano	
+ Calistoga/Napa	
<u>NORTH STATE – 13 Members</u>	749,360
Butte County Library	
Del Norte County Library District	
Humboldt County Library	
Lassen Library District	
Modoc County Library	
Orland Free Library	
Plumas County Library	
Shasta Public Libraries	
Siskiyou County Free Library	
Tehama County Library	
Trinity County Library	
Willows Public Library	
+ Crescent City/Del Norte	

SYSTEM/MEMBERS **POPULATION**

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SJVLS – 10 Members **2,984,159**

- Coalinga-Huron Unified School District Library
- Fresno County Public Library
- Kern County Library
- Kings County Library
- Madera County Library
- Mariposa County Library
- Merced County Library
- Porterville Public Library
- Tulare County Free Library
- Tulare Public Library

SERRA – 13 Members **3,449,231**

- Brawley Public Library
- Calexico (Camarena Memorial) Public Library
- Carlsbad City Library
- Chula Vista Public Library
- Coronado Public Library
- El Centro Public Library
- Escondido Public Library
- Imperial County Library
- Imperial Public Library
- National City Public Library
- Oceanside Public Library
- San Diego County Library
- San Diego Public Library

GRAND TOTALS **37,603,729**

All System Members: **184***

All System Population: **37,603,729**

Unaffiliated Public Libraries – 7 Libraries **772,425**

- LA Cerritos Public Library
- P Loomis Library and Learning Center +
- SB Redlands (A.K. Smiley) Public Library +
- LA Vernon Public Library +
- SB Santa Barbara Public Library +
- SLO San Luis Obispo City-County Library +
- Santa Ana Public Library +

Jurisdictions that don't have service **17,109**

- LA Industry +
- Las Lassen County (remainder of county not Served by Susanville) +

TOTAL STATE POPULATION: 38,393,263

*Includes Consolidations since 1/1/78



TO: Members, Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)
State Advisory Council on Libraries

FROM: Greg Lucas, California State Librarian

DATE: October 19, 2023

SUBJECT: October Meeting

I am convening a meeting of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) State Advisory Council on Libraries to discuss the LSTA program and priorities. The meeting coincides with the October meeting of the California Library Services Board.

We will meet Thursday, October 19, 2023, immediately following the California Library Services Board meeting. An agenda is enclosed.

Time is scheduled for questions and for receiving public testimony.

Thank you for your invaluable continuing advice and assistance with this important program.

Enclosures:

- October 2023 Meeting Agenda
- Purposes and Priorities of the Library Services and Technology Act
- Report on Local Assistance Awards 2022-2024



**LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT (LSTA)
STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON LIBRARIES**
October 19, 2023, Meeting

AGENDA¹

Agenda Items	Speaker
Convening of the Advisory Council	Greg Lucas
2023-2027 LSTA Five Year Plan	Amanda Gamon
Purposes and Priorities of the Library Services and Technology Act	Amanda Gamon
Review of 2023 Grants	Amanda Gamon
Review of 2022 Grants	Amanda Gamon
Program Highlights: California Libraries Learn (CALL)	Reed Strege
Program Highlights: Sustainable California Libraries	Julianna Robbins
Comments by Advisory Council Members	All
Comments from Audience	All
Other Business	All
Adjournment	Greg Lucas

¹ NOTE: The purpose of this meeting is to allow Advisory Council members an opportunity to discuss the LSTA program and provide advice to the State Librarian. The meeting is open to the public and the public is invited to testify. Members of the public are asked to introduce themselves and their affiliation when speaking before the Council.



2023 – 2027 LSTA FIVE YEAR PLAN

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) – the governing body that oversees the Grants to States Program which administers federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funding to the State Library Administrative Agencies (SLAA) throughout the United States – requires each SLAA to develop a new LSTA Five Year Plan every five years.

According to IMLS guidance, a state plan is:

A document that identifies a State's library needs, sets forth the activities to be taken toward meeting the identified needs supported with the assistance of Federal funds made available under the Library Services and Technology Act ("LSTA"), and provides assurances that the officially designated SLAA has the fiscal and legal authority and capability to administer all aspects of any award under the Grants to States program. 20 U.S.C. § 9122(5). The State Plan must also provide assurances for establishing the State's policies, priorities, criteria and procedures necessary to the implementation of all programs under the LSTA. 20 U.S.C. § 9122(5).

Library Development Services at the California State Library submitted its [2023-2027 Five Year Plan](#) in June 2022, received approval from Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) thereafter, and has begun implementing the plan.

The new LSTA Five Year Plan guides Library Development Services' grant programming for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028. The plan ensures that equity will be at the center of Library Development Services' grantmaking and program development.

As included in the plan, the mission of the California State Library's grant funding is to strengthen and advance access, equity, and innovation through strategic collaboration, capacity building, and the careful and responsible management of the federal funds entrusted to our care. Our efforts help libraries across California focus on public service as they improve their work with communities.

We will achieve our mission by targeted distribution of resources and opportunities, which ultimately leads to fairness and justice (Worcester State University, n.d.). As we build more equitable programs and services with and for libraries, our capacity building activities will ensure that libraries have staff with the necessary knowledge and skills to implement the work required. We will continue to build partnerships focused on reaching mutual goals that also show libraries across the state how to develop local partnerships that impact their communities in positive ways.

The following are the Plan's four goals toward which Library Development Services is working to achieve during the 2023-2027 period:

- **Goal 1:** Strengthen the ability of California libraries to design equitable programs and services in collaboration with their local communities
- **Goal 2:** Expand the capacity of California library workers to create and implement services that impact communities equitably
- **Goal 3:** Broaden data-driven planning and decision-making centered on community impact
- **Goal 4:** Strengthen equitable resource-sharing and access to information, services, and opportunity with an emphasis on local community strengths and challenges



PURPOSES AND PRIORITIES OF THE LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT

Purpose of LSTA (20 U.S.C. § 9121)

1. Enhance coordination among Federal programs that relate to library, education, and information services;
2. Promote continuous improvement in library services in all types of libraries in order to better serve the people of the United States;
3. Facilitate access to resources in all types of libraries for the purpose of cultivating an educated and informed citizenry;
4. Encourage resource sharing among all types of libraries for the purpose of achieving economical and efficient delivery of library services to the public;
5. Promote literacy, education, and lifelong learning, including by building learning partnerships with school libraries in our Nation's schools, including tribal schools, and developing resources, capabilities, and programs in support of State, tribal, and local efforts to offer a well-rounded educational experience to all students;
6. Enable libraries to develop services that meet the needs of communities throughout the Nation, including people of diverse geographic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds, individuals with disabilities, residents of rural and urban areas, Native Americans, military families, veterans, and caregivers;
7. Enable libraries to serve as anchor institutions to support community revitalization through enhancing and expanding the services and resources provided by libraries, including those services and resources relating to workforce development, economic and business development, critical thinking skills, health information, digital literacy skills, financial literacy and other types of literacy skills, and new and emerging technology;
8. Enhance the skills of the current library workforce and recruit future professionals, including those from diverse and underrepresented backgrounds, to the field of library and information services;
9. Ensure the preservation of knowledge and library collections in all formats and enable libraries to serve their communities during disasters;
10. Enhance the role of libraries within the information infrastructure of the United States in order to support research, education, and innovation;
11. Promote library services that provide users with access to information through national, State, local, regional, and international collaborations and networks; and
12. Encourage, support, and disseminate model programs of library and museum collaboration.

Grants to States (20 U.S.C. § 9141)

1. Expand services for learning and access to information and educational resources in a variety of formats (including new and emerging technology), in all types of libraries, for individuals of all ages in order to support such individuals' needs for education, lifelong learning, workforce development, economic and business development, health information, critical thinking skills, digital literacy skills, and financial literacy and other types of literacy skills;



2. Establish or enhance electronic and other linkages and improved coordination among and between libraries and entities, as described in 20 U.S.C. § 9134(b)(6), for the purpose of improving the quality of and access to library and information services;
3. (A) Provide training and professional development, including continuing education, to enhance the skills of the current library workforce and leadership, and advance the delivery of library and information services; and (B) Enhance efforts to recruit future professionals, including those from diverse and underrepresented backgrounds, to the field of library and information services;
4. Develop public and private partnerships with other agencies, tribes, and community-based organizations;
5. Target library services to individuals of diverse geographic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds, to individuals with disabilities, and to individuals with limited functional literacy or information skills;
6. Target library and information services to persons having difficulty using a library and to underserved urban and rural communities, including children (from birth through age 17) from families with incomes below the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget and revised annually in accordance with section 9902(2) of title 42) applicable to a family of the size involved;
7. Develop library services that provide all users access to information through local, State, regional, national, and international collaborations and networks; and
8. Carry out other activities consistent with the purposes set forth in 20 U.S.C. § 9121, as described in the State library administrative agency's plan.



**REPORT ON LSTA LOCAL ASSISTANCE AWARDS 2022-2024
2023-2024***

Library / Organization	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Awarded
CAPACITY			
Califa	CA Revealed	California Revealed collaborates with organizations to describe, digitize, and preserve their histories, and make them available online for educational use. The project prioritizes under-resourced collections and partnerships with communities underrepresented in the historical narrative.	\$1,400,000
California Library Association	California Libraries Learn: Continuing Education for California Libraries (CALL)	California Libraries Learn provides continuing education and professional development opportunities for California library staff at any level. The project is designed to increase opportunities for library staff at all levels to build equity- and community-based programs and services.	\$1,202,082
California Library Association	Building Equity-based Summers in California (BEBS)	The Building Equity Based Summers initiative provides public library staff with skills and support needed to effectively deliver summer services to systemically marginalized communities. These activities advance the California State Library's goal to empower libraries to	\$250,000



		design equitable programs and services in collaboration with local communities.	
Pacific Library Partnership	Equity-Based Data-Driven Decision-Making for Community Impact	This project helps library workers diversify the types of data they collect, access, and use, and improve the ways they analyze and use data to leverage community strengths, meet community needs, align with aspirations, and demonstrate impact.	\$302,541
Pacific Library Partnership	Literacy Initiatives 2023-2024	The Literacy Initiatives project strengthens the ability of California's library literacy programs to design equitable programs and services for adults and families in collaboration with local communities.	\$499,986
Pacific Library Partnership	Networking California Library Resources	The Networking California Library Resources project strengthens equitable resource-sharing and access throughout the California library community. The project is focused on ensuring equitable access to opportunities for communities who face barriers to library services.	\$992,653
Southern California Library Cooperative	Public Library Staff Education Program (PLSEP)	The Public Library Staff Education Program is a tuition reimbursement program for students who are in the process of obtaining an MLIS degree. The program is designed to support the professional development of California public library employees to help to	\$500,000



		improve library services to California's diverse communities.	
Southern California Library Cooperative	Digital Navigators	The project provides a team of Digital Navigators who support Californians seeking assistance in locating sources of low-cost internet services and devices, using those devices, and accessing specific online workforce development and digital literacy resources available through their local library.	\$500,000
LOCAL AND COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS			
Benicia Public Library	Teens & Tweens OTDL	This project will turn an unused space in the library into a dynamic, multi-purpose, programming space, literacy tutoring, meetings, and other programming for teens.	\$75,000
City of Moreno Valley – Library Services	MoVal Gamers Lair	The MoVal Gamers Lair project creates a technology center in the Moreno Valley Mall Library, allowing children and teens a safe place to play, experiment, and learn about new and emerging technologies.	\$69,042
Glendale Library, Arts & Culture (GLAC)	Public Librarian Diversity Residency Year	Glendale Library, Arts & Culture (GLAC) creates residency positions for post-graduate librarians who are Black, Indigenous and/or People of Color (BIPOC). Recruitment carried out by this project follows all applicable California state laws and federal regulations.	\$100,000



Monterey County Free Libraries	A Lot MORE: Materials, Options, and Resources for Everyone	This project enhances public library services and options for older adults with sensory, cognitive, or learning disabilities.	\$13,664
Oceanside Public Library	Youth Engagement & Leadership Project	The Youth Engagement & Leadership Project creates a new teen volunteer training centered on social justice.	\$57,556
Redwood City Public Library	Bienvenidos: Interpretes para Actividades Bibliotecarias	This project provides live Spanish language interpretation at English-language library events for adults and families.	\$37,800
San José Public Library	Holistic Library Initiative	The project provides a full-time Program Specialist to recruit, train, and coordinate a team of social work interns and volunteers which provide supportive services and referrals for people experiencing housing vulnerability.	\$60,363
Sunnyvale Public Library	STEM Sunnyvale	STEM Sunnyvale provides programs, collections, science kits, equipment, and two Super STEM Day events at the Library for girls, lower income areas, and culturally diverse populations.	\$71,312
Sutter County Library	Re-envisioning California's Rural Libraries	A collaboration between Butte County, Colusa County Free Library, and Sutter County Library develops a new model for rural libraries that cultivates relevancy to community needs, resiliency to socioeconomic changes, and increased financial stability.	\$65,410
eBooks-For-All			
Beaumont Library District	BLD's Palace Project Grant	Beaumont Library District improves access to eMaterials through the	\$28,000



		project eliminating wait times for patrons.	
Butte County Library	Butte County eBooks-for-All	Butte County eBooks-for-All offers a larger number and greater variety of electronic titles to accurately reflect patron interest and also the diverse community.	\$120,000
City of Huntington Beach (Huntington Beach Public Library)	More Nice, Not a Lot of Spice: More Palace eBooks for Huntington Beach	Huntington Beach Public Library's, More Nice, Not a Lot of Spice's project develops three eBook collections to be featured on its Palace app homepage.	\$20,000
Murrieta Public Library	Murrieta Public Library's eBooks-for-All	Murrieta Public Library's eBooks-for-All increases and diversifies its eBook and eAudiobook collection, reaching more people in the community, and keeping up with the digital access demands of library users.	\$40,000
Oakland Public Library	Oakland eBooks-for-All, 2023-24	Oakland eBooks-for-All adds eBooks and eAudiobooks to the new statewide collection and makes these materials available to patrons throughout California.	\$60,000
Santa Fe Springs City Library	eBooks-For-All	eBooks-For-All readily provides materials that will benefit patrons of a diverse age range from young children to older adults.	\$32,000
Sonoma County Library	SCL eBooks-for-All Project	SCL eBooks-for-All Project provides a broadly diverse collection of eBooks and eAudiobook titles, and offers greater access to information, increased collection diversity, and more reading and listening materials for the community.	\$40,000
Stanislaus County Free Library	eBooks-for-All 23-24	eBooks-for-All 23-24 offers a eBooks for Stanislaus County residents by utilizing the	\$80,000



		palace platform to combine eBook applications and provide one place for readers to access digital content.	
Sutter County Library	Developing Digital Collections	Developing Digital Collections expands the library's eBooks and eAudiobooks collection while offering greater access to titles for patrons of all ages.	\$44,000
SUSTAINABLE CALIFORNIA LIBRARIES			
Alhambra Civic Center Library	Let's Grow, Alhambra! Become a Master of Your Garden and Steward of Earth	The Let Us Grow, Alhambra! project educates the public on environmental sustainability, urban gardening and conservation techniques.	\$30,000
Azusa City Library	Retracing Azusa's Past	Revisiting Azusa's Past offers programming and gardening workshops that highlight sustainability practices provided by Azusa's Indigenous Gabrieleno community.	\$30,000
Benicia Public Library	S.O.S. [Sustaining Our Sustainability] for Benicia	The S.O.S. project expands the library's existing seed library, pollinator garden, and Thing Library to build a more sustainable community.	\$18,000
Blanchard/Santa Paula Public Library District	Tierra Sana, Humana Sana / Healthy Soil, Healthy Human	The Tierra Sana, Humana Sana / Healthy Soil, Healthy Human project creates community resources in English and Spanish that improve household nutrition through home and community gardens.	\$29,850
Burlingame Public Library	Sustainable Living with BPL	The Sustainable Living with BPL project works in collaboration with local	\$10,000



		nonprofit groups and city agencies to provide programming and resources to help community members become more resilient and informed in the areas of gardening/water use, reuse/reduce/recycle, and electrification.	
Cerritos Library	Planted: Cerritos Seed Library	Planted: Cerritos Seed Library provides library patrons and the local community with a new seed library and a series of educational activities related to preserving natural resources, gardening, and sustainability.	\$10,240
Chula Vista Public Library	Ready, Set, Grow Chula Vista!	Ready, Set, Grow Chula Vista! plants the seeds of sustainability through a series of gardening education workshops, nature conservation programming, and the implementation of seed libraries at all Chula Vista Library branches.	\$30,000
City of South Pasadena (South Pasadena Public Library)	Sowing South Pasadena	The Sowing South Pasadena project cultivates sustainability through a dynamic blend of a new seed library, a series of sustainability lectures, and a repair café, fostering a resilient and interconnected community.	\$22,470
Mono County Free Library	Mono County Sustainability Programming and Library-of-Things Project	The Mono County Sustainability Programming and Library-of-Things project, in partnership with High Sierra Energy Foundation, delivers sustainability programming including sustainability fairs,	\$27,500



		facility tours, and hands-on workshops.	
National City Public Library	U-tool-ize, NCPL Tool Library	The NCPL Tool Library (u-Tool-ize) project will provide community members free access to a diverse range of tools and equipment encouraging community sharing and eliminating the financial barrier of renting or purchasing tools to complete projects.	\$30,000
San Bernardino Library Foundation	Cultivating a Resilient and Sustainable San Bernardino	The Growing Together project fosters environmental sustainability and climate resilience, equity in accessing needed resources, and fostering education.	\$20,000
Santa Barbara Public Library	Sustainably Santa Barbara	The Sustainably Santa Barbara project will host a series of workshops and educational events to support community members of all ages in engaging in sustainable practices.	\$21,750
Santa Fe Springs City Library	SFS Grows: Climate Warriors	SFS Grows: Climate Warriors is a sustainability-based program dedicated to serving developmentally disabled adults in and around the Santa Fe Springs community.	\$10,000
Shasta Library Foundation	Shasta Gather & Grow	The Shasta Gather & Grow project will support the community in growing their own regionally appropriate food crops through the creation of the Shasta Seed Library and a diverse offering of instructional gardening programs.	\$10,880



Solano County Library	Sustaining Solano	The Sustaining Solano project offers open-air events at partnering open spaces and farms where participants will meet experts on parks and gardening.	\$28,100

*The application window for the Inspiration grant opportunity opened in September 2023 and will close in December 2023, thus award information for this opportunity is not yet available.

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Library / Organization	Project Title	Project Description ²	Amount Awarded
CAPACITY (STATEWIDE) PROJECTS			
Califa	Get Involved: Sustaining Skilled Volunteer Engagement in Public Libraries	Get Involved was a statewide initiative designed to expand the visibility and contributions of skilled volunteers in California public libraries by facilitating	\$58,000

² Project descriptions derive from information submitted by the awardee in the grant applications and focus on proposed activities.



		volunteering options and training staff in proven volunteer engagement practices.	
Califa	California Revealed	California Revealed helped over 100 organizations across the state discover, preserve, and make accessible local history collections and built a unique online research and reference resource of primary source materials.	\$1,355,000
California Library Association	Continuing Education for California Libraries 2022-2023	California Libraries Learn (CALL) fostered learning and growth in California libraries by providing comprehensive continuing education for library staff.	\$1,135,057
California Library Association	Summer @ Your Library: Explore, Learn, Read, Connect	The project provided resources to California public library staff, including equity focused professional development training; networking opportunities; summer meal and summer reading resources, and evaluation tools.	\$413,718
Pacific Library Partnership	California Library Metrics	This project provided access to metrics as well as tools and training for librarians, to gather and interpret demographic and other data, and plan services to meet the aspirations of their communities.	\$261,166
Pacific Library Partnership	Economic Mobility and California Libraries -Working Scholars	This project provided continuing support for an online bachelor's degree program for California public library staff.	\$96,726
Pacific Library Partnership	Literacy Initiatives 2022-2023	The Literacy Initiatives project provided resources and training for staff, adult learners, AmeriCorps	\$439,378



		members, and volunteers in the 104 public library jurisdictions in California Library Literacy Services.	
Pacific Library Partnership	Networking California Library Resources	The Networking California Library Resources project provided support and opportunities for the library community to share information, ideas, and resources statewide.	\$256,850
Southern California Library Cooperative	California Library Collections Initiative	The California Library Collection Initiative funds enabled California public libraries to offer online access to the New York Times to their users.	\$555,041
Southern California Library Cooperative	Digital Navigators	Digital Navigators provided one on one support to residents who needed computers, low-cost broadband in the home, and/or skills to participate fully in the digital world.	\$500,000
COMPETITIVE LOCAL PROJECTS			
Glendale Library, Arts and Culture	Public Librarian Diversity Residency Program	Glendale Library, Arts & Culture (GLAC) created Residency positions for post-graduate librarians who are Black, Indigenous and/or People of Color (BIPOC).	\$100,000
Los Angeles County Library	Empowering Older Adults	This project addressed digital equity and social isolation among Los Angeles County's non-English-speaking and aging populations by expanding existing digital literacy classes, translating course content, purchasing necessary equipment, and presenting the updated curriculum to English and Spanish-speaking	\$74,646



		older adults virtually and in-person at libraries and senior centers.	
Los Angeles County Library	Programs and Services for Transitioned Aged Youth and Non-Minor Dependents	Project staff developed a series of programs focused on improving socioeconomic outcomes for Transition Aged Youth (TAY) and Non-Minor Dependents (NMD).	\$75,000
Long Beach Public Library	SEED Growing a STEAM Ecosystem	The Long Beach Public Library assembled a collaborative of local STEAM experts to provide an intensive Summer STEAM Institute and arts-based STEAM workshops during the school year for at-risk middle and high school students.	\$56,800
Madera County Library	Collections, Connections, and Collaborations: Improving Relevancy in Our Communities	Community Connections and Collaborations project acquired updated non-fiction materials in English and Spanish and created a tool library and a makerspace.	\$72,000
Riverside County Library System	Project Connect Now	Project Connect Now focused on connecting underserved and marginalized community members experiencing crises with free onsite and virtual social welfare, legal, and health services.	\$21,232
San Diego Public Library	Homeschool Resource Center	The Homeschool Resource Center project provided a welcoming space and educational resources for homeschooling families.	\$52,166
San José Public Library	Holistic Library Initiative	San José Public Library employed a full-time Program Specialist to recruit, train, and coordinate a team of social work interns and volunteers to provide supportive services and	\$100,000



		referrals for people experiencing housing vulnerability.	
Santa Barbara Public Library	Community Connections	Santa Barbara Public Library collaborated with partner organizations to increase access to adult education, job-seeking resources, computers, and the internet among vulnerable populations, especially those who are currently unhoused or in danger of becoming unhoused.	\$100,000
University of Southern California	Safeguarding L.A. Community Histories: An L.A. as Subject Workshop Series and Knowledge Sharing Initiative	Through workshops the University of Southern California helped local community archives share knowledge and gain relevant skills in archival operations to enhance preservation of and access to their historical collections, and better serve California's diverse population.	\$38,925
COMPETITIVE COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS			
Califa	Community Connections Collaboration	Califa worked with Glendale Library Arts and Culture, Oceanside Public Library, and Madera County Library to establish a community resource center and employ a Community Resource Specialist within each library.	\$184,516
EBOOKS-FOR-ALL			
Butte County Library	EBooks-for-All Butte County	Butte County Library used grant funds to purchase a larger number and greater variety of electronic titles to accurately reflect patron interest and the diverse community.	\$80,000



City of Huntington Beach	Beachcomb at Home: Palace eBooks for Huntington Beach	The Huntington Beach Public Library's Beachcomb at Home project developed four eBook collections that will be featured on its Palace app homepage.	\$5,000
Corona Public Library	eBooks For Corona	This project expanded the online resources available via the Palace Project, for Corona's families, children, teens, new adults, adults, and LGBTQIA community.	\$100,000
El Dorado County Library	Books for All	The El Dorado County Library acquired eBooks and eAudiobooks for the Palace Project statewide online library to enhance the educational and recreational opportunities for the residents of the county and the state.	\$30,000
Glendale Library, Arts & Culture	eBooks-for-All Collection Development Grants	The eBooks-for-All in Glendale project expanded access to eBooks that are of high interest to the community, unavailable in other library platforms, and/or written in languages used in Glendale Unified School District's language immersion programs.	\$40,000
Oakland Public Library	Oakland eBooks-for-All	Oakland eBooks-for-All purchased eBooks and eAudiobooks to create a diverse and easily accessible collection of resources for Californians.	\$40,000
Orange Public Library	Palace Implementation Project	Orange Public Library implemented the Palace platform into its digital resource collection and used grant funding to purchase eBooks –for all ages.	\$30,000



Pasadena Public Library	Pasadena Public Library eBooks-for-All Project	The Pasadena Public Library acquired eBooks and audiobooks suitable for all ages.	\$50,000
San Diego County Library	eBooks-for-All Grant	eBooks-for-All increased the quantity and breadth of popular eBook and downloadable audiobook titles for use by all Californians.	\$50,000
San Joaquin Valley Library System	SJVLS Palace Content Expansion Project	SJVLS Palace Content Expansion Project focused on developing a collection that reflected the diversity within the community.	\$50,000
Santa Fe Springs City Library	E-Books for All	The eBooks-for-All project focused on the acquisition of eBooks and eAudiobooks for the community.	\$12,000
Stanislaus County Free Library	eBooks-for-All	Stanislaus County Free Library offered patrons access to the Palace Project, a much larger statewide eBook collection.	\$75,000
Sutter County Library	Developing Digital Collections	Sutter County Library's Developing Digital Collections project expanded the library's eBooks and eAudiobooks collection and offered increased access to various titles for patrons of all ages.	\$20,000
Ventura County Library	eBooks-for-All	Ventura County Library supported its community's mental health and wellness by building a collection of professionally recommended supportive mental health eBooks and eAudiobooks that were added to the statewide eBooks-for-All collection.	\$5,000
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Anaheim Public Library	Haskett's Memory Lab	Haskett's Memory Lab provided free access to community members to help them gain the skills and the confidence to digitize, care for, and manage their own histories.	\$20,000
Belvedere Tiburon Library	Belvedere Tiburon Library Memory Lab	The Belvedere Tiburon Library established a digitization station and facilitated programs to empower individuals to digitize personal memorabilia to capture local history and enrich community connections.	\$19,968
City of Benicia	All [Benicia] Can Save: A Community Sustainability Challenge	Using the book All We Can Save: Truth, Courage, and Solutions for the Climate Crisis, Benicia launched a community-wide sustainability challenge inspiring individuals to adopt sustainable practices.	\$20,000
City of Benicia	Create It Yourself!	Create It Yourself! provided free monthly art classes to adults as an opportunity to learn and try new skills with the guidance of expert artists.	\$8,000
Colton Public Library	Community Crafting	The Community Crafting project provided an avenue of creativity and self-expression through creative workshops such as canvas painting, scrapbooking and cake decorating for adult and senior community members.	\$7,425
El Dorado County Library	Keep Tahoe Rolling - Bike Kitchen in SLT	The South Lake Tahoe Library provided a free Bike Kitchen to community residents needing assistance with the repair, maintenance, and	\$5,995



		improvement of their bicycles.	
Imperial Public Library	Creative Thursdays	The Imperial Public Library implemented a Creative Thursday program for adults to support their journey of lifelong learning through creativity.	\$8,000
Mendocino County Library	Mendocino County Reads - Six California Kitchens	Using the book Six California Kitchens by Sally Schmitt, this project brought together the local community through discussion, community conversation, and a book club.	\$20,000
Monrovia Public Library	Innovation Station	The Monrovia Public Library provided pop-up STEAM programming and access to library resources for tween and elementary age children both at the library and in Southern Monrovia.	\$10,000
Moreno Valley Public Library	Creative Studios	The Moreno Valley Public Library provided a free series of Creative Studios workshops for adults in Moreno Valley, to explore various methods of creative expression and learn artistic techniques in a hands-on experience.	\$9,611
Murrieta Public Library	Murrieta Public Library's Seed Library	Murrieta Public Library's Seed Library expanded and further developed a Seed Library by enhancing our storage capability, diversifying their seed and materials collection, and establishing a test garden.	\$18,050
National City Public Library	Community Memory Lab	Community Memory Lab enabled residents to digitize, preserve, and share photographs and documents, and convert various outdated media	\$19,340



		types to preserve their histories.	
Oakland Public Library	Culturally Relevant Gardening	The Oakland Public Library's Culturally Relevant Gardening project added diverse seeds and plants to the seed libraries, gardens, and related programs.	\$19,700
Oceanside Public Library	Uke Can Do It	Uke Can Do It delivered ukuleles and music instruction and programs to Oceanside Public Library customers and the surrounding community.	\$12,200
Orland Free Library	Learning2Go Literacy Kits	Learning2Go Literacy Kits were built for caregivers to implement early learning with children in Glenn County.	\$12,000
Riverside Public Library	Riverside Reads 2023	Riverside Public Library offered programming to focus attention on the joys of pet ownership and the need to save pets in immediate danger of euthanasia.	\$20,000
Riverside Public Library	Día de los Niños	Día de los Niños events celebrated multicultural and multilingual families across the city, at all eight library locations and remote locations via Riverside Public Library's STREAM mobile.	\$20,000
Sacramento Public Library's	Early Math Read Together Kits	Sacramento Public Library created Early Math Read Together Kits in both English and Spanish to help parents and caregivers introduce early math concepts to young children through diverse books.	\$19,825
San José Public Library	San José Public Library Workforce Partnership Initiative	San José Public Library designed local community outreach programs and	\$15,000



		created adaptable learning spaces to meet community needs.	
Santa Barbara Public Library	Book to Action 2022: Golden Gates	Santa Barbara Public Library's Book to Action program expanded understanding of local housing policies and exploration of solutions to the housing crisis through facilitated close readings of Golden Gates and Mutual Aid, panel discussions, and workshops.	\$20,000
Santa Cruz Public Libraries	Laptops for afterschool STEAM Programs at Santa Cruz Public Libraries	The library acquired laptops which allowed the local branches to provide STEAM programming and equitable and inclusive educational opportunities to the county's underserved youth.	\$20,000
Santa Fe Springs City Library	One Step Beyond STEAM: a family STEM exploration	One Step Beyond STEAM: a family STEM exploration circulated kits to families and offered community access to technical instruments, activities, and information to help bridge the scientific learning gap created by the economic downturn and COVID-19.	\$20,000
Santa Maria Public Library	Life Skills Workshop for Teens	The City of Santa Maria Public Library's Life Skills Workshop for Teens provided a series of training programs for teens ages 16-21.	\$8,000
Santa Maria Public Library	Dia de los Niños 2023	Dia de los Niños 2023 events provided educational, cultural, and multilingual programming and resources celebrating reading, family, and a myriad of cultures.	\$20,000



Solano County Library	Book to Action: Stop Asian Hate	Solano County Library offered programs and discussions that supported learning about the history, identity, and experiences of Asian American and Pacific Islanders.	\$20,000
Solano County Library	Dia de los Ninos / Dia de los Libros at Solano County Library	Dia de los Ninos / Dia de los Libros at Solano County Library hosted local performers and enrichment events that represented the multicultural and multilingual diversity in Solano County. New immigrants, non-English speakers, and families with Youth were among the target programming audiences.	\$20,000
Sonoma County Library	Playback: an analog-to-digital memory lab (Playback Memory Lab)	The Playback Memory Lab offered a DIY space to the community to preserve their personal, family, and community histories.	\$20,000
Sutter County Library	Sutter County Seed Library	The Sutter County Library's Seed Library provided the public with an opportunity to develop their own at-home garden and develop healthy, sustainable lifestyles.	\$14,135
Tulare County Library (TCL)	Dia for Tulare County	Dia for Tulare County provided funding for community events at multiple Tulare County Library branch locations emphasizing the importance of literacy for children of all linguistic and cultural backgrounds.	\$20,000
Tulare County Library (TCL)	Seed Libraries for Tulare County	This project established five seed libraries at the following Tulare County Library branches: Visalia, Dinuba, Exeter, Lindsay, and Pixley.	\$9,350



Victorville City Library	Monthly STEAM	The Victorville City Library developed programs for middle and high school aged students to complete STEAM-themed craft projects.	\$5,000
Yolo County Library	Welcome to Reading: Emergent Reader Backpacks	Through the Welcome to Reading: Emergent Reader Backpacks, Yolo County Library provided books and instructional aides to help emergent readers develop the skills necessary to become successful at reading.	\$12,000
SUSTAINABILITY			
Alameda County Library	Gardening Tool Lending Library	The Gardening Tool Lending Library offered community members access to a collection of electric and battery-powered gardening equipment and hand tools to help improve and maintain outdoor spaces.	\$20,000
Belvedere Tiburon Library	Planting SEEDs (Supporting Environmental Education and Direction)	The Belvedere Tiburon Library provided educational opportunities for the community, and staff and implemented operational changes to reduce energy consumption and waste generation and increase recycling rates.	\$29,957
California State University East Bay	A Sustainable Muwekma Ohlone Walkway for the CSU East Bay Library	The Muwekma Ohlone Walkway at Cal State East Bay was a demonstration project emphasizing sustainable agriculture and the Bay Area's Native American history.	\$30,000
Camarillo Public Library	Cam I Am Sustainable	The Camarillo Public Library educated community members on sustainability practices with invigorating	\$17,325



		programs and resources to ensure a more resilient future.	
County of San Luis Obispo Public Libraries	County of San Luis Obispo Public Libraries - Shandon Tool Lending Library	County of San Luis Obispo Public Libraries expanded its Library of Things lending library to include a community specific collection of tools for the Shandon branch.	\$23,752
Glendale Library, Arts & Culture's (GLAC)	Earth Month & Beyond	Earth Month & Beyond increased Glendale Library, Arts & Culture's (GLAC) sustainability programming culminating in an enriching Earth Month schedule with multiple educational sustainability programs for all ages.	\$29,987
Kim Yerton Memorial Library	Creating a Community Focal Point in the Hoopa Valley	The Creating a Community Focal Point in the Hoopa Valley project provided area residents with robust library collections, learning opportunities, and vehicles to support workforce and economic prosperity.	\$17,835
Los Gatos Library	Sustainable Los Gatos Speaker Series	The project offered an environmental speaker series for adults and a sustainability workshop series for families highlighting environmental stewardship through an equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging lens.	\$30,000
Mono County Free Library	Mono County Earth Month Event Series	Mono County Earth Month Series offered a speaker series supporting hands-on activities and increasing access to environmental education in a rural and hard-to-reach region.	\$29,934
Murrieta Public Library	Planting the Future	The Murrieta Public Library expanded their seed library, created a pollinator demonstration garden with	\$30,000



		native plants, and provided the community with educational opportunities regarding environmental sustainability and climate resilience.	
Orange County Public Library	Sustainable Orange: Preserving Our Future	The Sustainable Orange project provided diverse and meaningful programs and collections that focused on sustainability and food insecurity.	\$30,000
San Diego Public Library	Our Climate, Our Future: Our Sustainable San Diego	Our Climate, Our Future: Our Sustainable San Diego was a series of sustainability programs for all ages focused on climate resiliency.	\$39,990
San Diego County Library	Seeds & Sustainability	Seeds & Sustainability provided Seed Library installations, all ages programming, and a themed print and digital collection - encouraging gardening, composting, and greater knowledge of environmental justice.	\$30,000
San Mateo Library	San Mateo; Sustainability for All	The San Mateo Public Library offered programs and workshops related to climate action that focus on water conservation, habitat creation, and waste reduction.	\$10,000
Santa Fe Springs Library	SFS Grows / Gardening and Sustainability for Developmentally Disabled Adults	The SFS Grows program provided developmentally disabled adults the skills, information, and experience to become successful, sustainable gardeners.	\$10,000
Sunnyvale Public Library	Home Green Home: Bringing Sustainable Living to Sunnyvale Homes	Sunnyvale Public Library promoted sustainability at home by providing inspiring community events on	\$30,000



		decreasing waste and other sustainability topics.	
Sutter County Library	Indigiscape: An Exploration into Outdoor Discovery & Sustainability	Indigiscape: An Exploration into Outdoor Discovery and Sustainability expanded library programming to the outdoors and promoted the environmental benefits of drought-resistant landscaping to inform and educate the community.	\$30,000
Tulare County Library	Green Communities for Tulare County	The project provided education regarding strengthening local food systems and water conservation.	\$12,000
Ventura County Library	Explore, Discover, Connect – Sustainable Living Practices	The Ventura County Library partnered with the County of Ventura Sustainability Division to offer sustainability-themed special events, conducted Green Business certification, and expanded the Library of Things.	\$30,000
INSPIRATION			
Alameda Free Library	Coding with Lego	The Coding with Lego project was a free program for 1st-8th grade students that offered strong STEAM learning outcomes, developing children's STEAM knowledge and practices and 21st century skills.	\$10,000
Arcadia Public Library	Teen Graphic Design Club	The Arcadia Public Library's Teen Graphic Design Club enhanced the graphic design skills of high school students via STEAM programming that utilized the digital illustration app.	\$10,000
Madera County Library	STEM Discovery	The STEM Discovery project provided Pre-K-1st Graders with their first STEM experience using FIRST LEGO	\$1,300



		League - Discover's reusable 10-week curriculum.	
Madera County Library	Equitable Summer Experiences	Equitable Summer Experiences provided equitable access to enrichment activities for children and teens over the summer months .	\$13,200
Mission Viejo Library	The Mission Viejo Poetry and Art Collaborative	The Mission Viejo Poetry and Art Collaborative brought together people of diverse backgrounds to collaborate on expressing themselves through poetry and art.	\$9,285
Los Angeles Public Library	Tai Chi Time: Community Building Around Health Literacy with Seniors	Tai Chi Time: Community Building Around Health Literacy with Seniors was developed based on the scientifically proven health benefits of Tai Chi with an asset-based design.	\$3,700
Nevada County Library	Flexible Teen Makerspace	The Nevada County Library created a pop-up makerspace for teenagers at the Grass Valley Library and arranged expert guidance for two programs.	\$14,500
Oceanside Public Library	Community Health & Well-being Initiative "Growing Our Community"	The Community Health & Well-being Initiative "Growing Our Community" program focused on healthy living and included themed workshops and classes, outreach events, and library materials that educated and created connections.	\$14,000
Palo Alto City Library	Community Threads	Community Threads created opportunities for teens, adults, and older adults of the Palo Alto City Library to learn and develop sewing skills, nourished critical thinking and creativity, and	\$6,000



		offered connection to their community.	
Redwood City Public Library	Redwood City Public Library LEGO Spike Robotics League	The Redwood City Public Library provided LEGO Spike Kits at the library and created a citywide LEGO Robotics League for students grades 4th-8th.	\$46,548
Torrance Public Library	Happy Hours @ KGL	Visalia Branch Library's Teen area was revitalized to allow for safe, equitable, and inclusive access to the evolving services, resources, and programs for teens.	\$54,000
PLSEP			
Black Gold Cooperative Library System	Public Library Staff Education Program	The Public Library Staff Education Program provided tuition reimbursement to support the professional development of California public libraries.	\$18,020
NorthNet Library System	Public Library Staff Education Program	The Public Library Staff Education Program provided tuition reimbursement to support the professional development of California public libraries.	\$141,249
Pacific Library Partnership	Public Library Staff Education Program	The Public Library Staff Education Program provided tuition reimbursement to support the professional development of California public libraries.	\$147,862
San Joaquin Valley Library System	Public Library Staff Education Program	The Public Library Staff Education Program provided tuition reimbursement to support the professional development of California public libraries.	\$18,700
Southern California Library Cooperative	Public Library Staff Education Program	The Public Library Staff Education Program provided tuition reimbursement to support the professional development of California public libraries.	\$338,248



2022-2023 LSTA PROJECT SUCCESS STORIES

Some highlights from the 2022-2023 fiscal year include:

LA County - Empowering Older Adults Through Multilingual Digital Literacy

LA County Library acquired technology for and delivered in-person and virtual digital literacy classes in English and Spanish to older adults in Los Angeles County. The focus of the project was to increase participants' technology skills and comfort level so they could safely carry out essential online activities, leading to higher levels of digital inclusion and social connectedness. Sessions were presented, virtually and in-person, to a total of 2,142 attendees. Each of the virtual classes was edited and posted on YouTube following the event.

An additional note: LA County Library was awarded the 2023 National Medal for Museum and Library Service by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

The National Medal is the nation's highest honor given to museums and libraries that demonstrate excellence in service to their communities. Since 1996, the award has honored 182 institutions that exemplified extraordinary and innovative approaches to public service. Over the past 29 years, the award has celebrated institutions that are making a difference for individuals, families, and communities. You may read about this prestigious award at the IMLS website. <https://www.ims.gov/our-work/national-medals/2023-national-medal-museum-and-library-service>

Cal State East Bay - Sustainable Muwekma Ohlone Walkway

Cal State East Bay created a Sustainable Muwekma Ohlone Walkway to honor the native people who originally lived on the land in Hayward, California. The project highlighted low maintenance plants, grasses, trees, and flowers that the Muwekma Ohlone once grew there. The project had several components: a garden with QR code stakes, a website, presentations, a selection of books that support the programming, and presentations. The biggest success has been the website, which is receiving a great deal of use as people search for information about the Muwekma Ohlone and sustainable plants and grasses in the Hayward region.

The campus has recognized the need to keep the Walkway growing, by installing irrigation at the site and supporting routine maintenance. Learn more about this project on their website <https://library.csueastbay.edu/c.php?g=1294469&p=9506527>.

Arcadia Public Library - Teen Graphic Design Club

The Arcadia Public Library's Teen Graphic Design Club collaborated with local organizations including Girls Who Code and Arcadia High School's Engineering Club to provide high-value STEAM programming to high school students. Its primary purpose was



to increase the library's value to the community by promoting lifelong learning, digital literacy, and expanding life experiences for participating teens.

One of the standout achievements of the Teen Graphic Design Club was the successful implementation of a dynamic peer-to-peer classroom system, which played a pivotal role in creating a collaborative and empowering learning environment. By fostering a culture where students learn from and teach each other, the library witnessed remarkable growth and development among all participants.

The project outputs surpassed the library's expectations, and the results showcased the immense talent and potential within the high school student community. The project successfully promoted creativity, digital literacy, and a passion for graphic design among young participants. The project's success was made possible by the dedication of library staff, the support of volunteers, and the enthusiasm of the students involved.



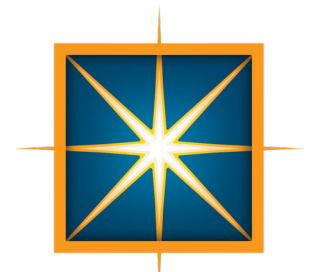
California Libraries Learn (CALL)
Impact Report to California Library Services Board

October 19, 2023



CALL Basics: History

- Continuing education for California library workers
- Formally launched in fall 2020
- Initial focus on pandemic-related needs and opportunities
- Annual evaluation and needs assessment



CALL Basics: Online Presence

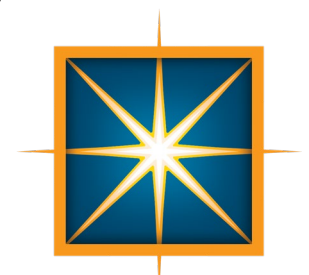
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- Library Trustee Toolkit: <https://callacademy.org/ca-library-trustee-toolkit/>





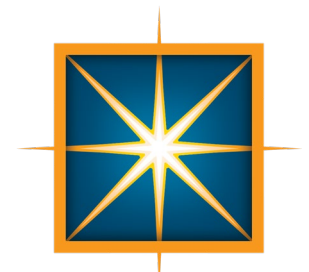
CALL Basics: 2022-23 In Review

- Offered **285 learning opportunities** with registration of **4,990** library workers across California
 - CALL's first in-person workshops (trauma-informed library service)
 - Total: includes what CALL paid for and what CALL created
- 94% agree/strongly agree they learned something new
- Reach 93% of public library jurisdictions
- **New and Popular:** CALL- and State Library-created content and CALL for Presentations-- library workers can suggest topics and presenters
- Weekly **CALL Letters** e-newsletter
- Referrals to 196 other no-cost learning events from WebJunction, American Library Association, California State Library, Library 2.0, and others



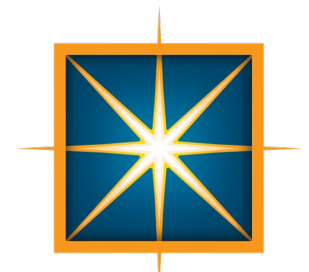
CALL Basics: 2023-24 Priorities

- Continue offering timely, relevant topics in interactive styles to encourage application
- Maximize accessibility through variety of formats
- Increase awareness of CALL through promotions and partnerships
- Support leadership and career development for staff at all levels



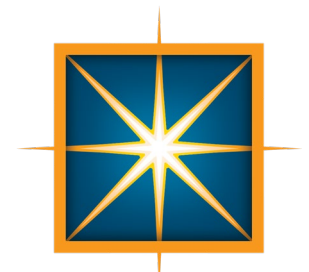
CALL Basics: Catalyst Leadership

- Theory of Action (logic model with outcomes) to guide the year
- Key learning themes:
 - Equity, Communication, and Collaboration
- Cohort of 25 (all levels of experience, all regions), not just “future directors”
- Two in-person sessions & monthly online meetings
- Required elements and individualized learning plan with menu options
- Mentoring and “field experience” (all members must try out a new role in profession or community)



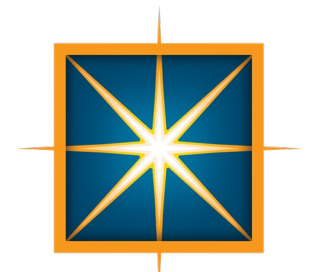
CALL Basics: Reaching the Field

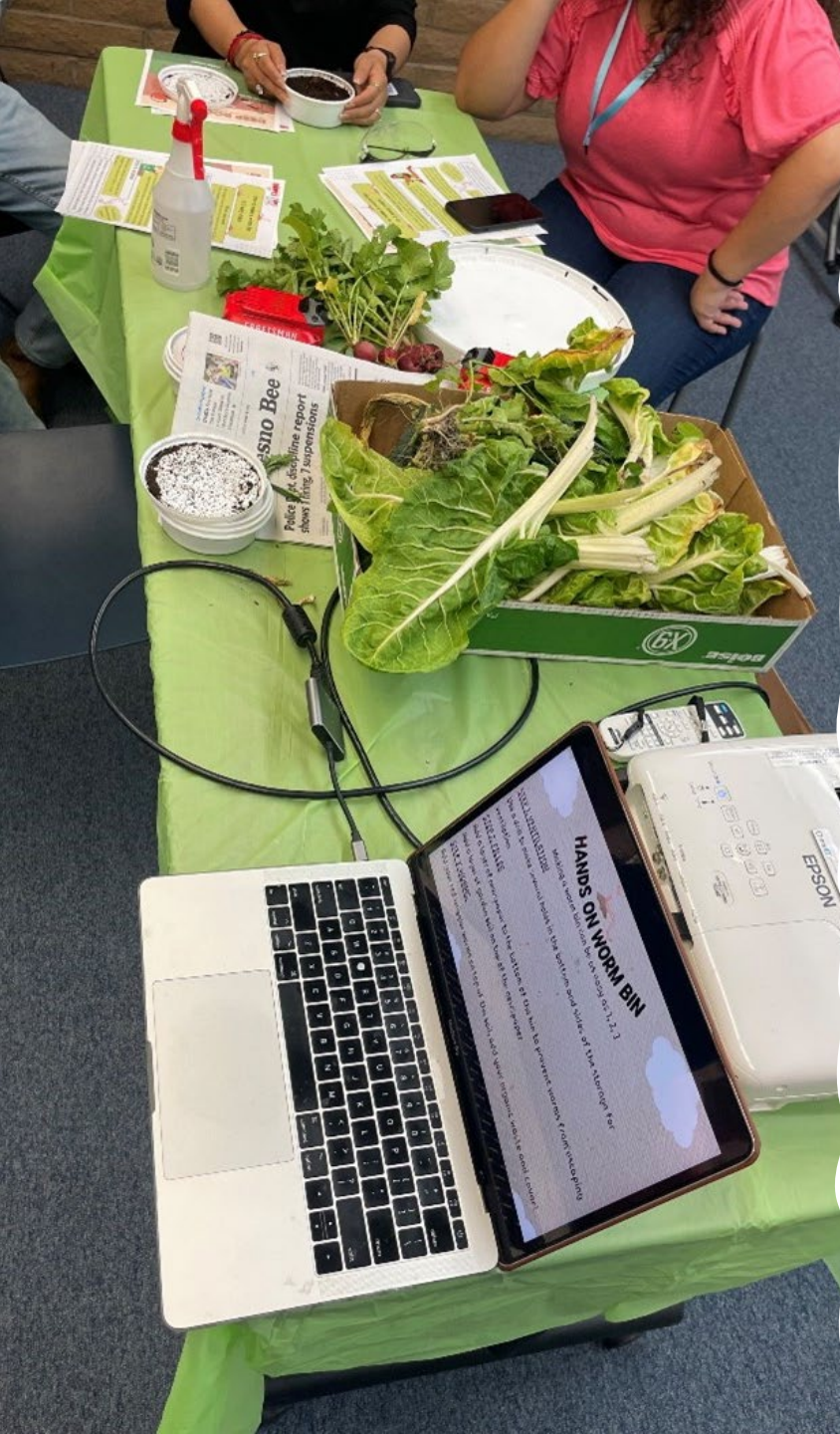
- Weekly CALL Letters, e-newsletter (1,853 subscribers) and email blast sent to approximately 4,000
- New: print calendar (highest number of clicks ever!) for bulletin boards, break rooms
- Subscriber emails for time-sensitive notices



CALL Basics: CALL Academy

- Asynchronous learning, available 24/7
- 1,000 recorded modules
- Users from 95% of public library jurisdictions, plus academic, school, tribal, special libraries
- 16,076 enrollments
- Users can benefit without “completion” of a module—you don’t have to finish to learn something new!
- 4,262 completed modules
- Over 3,000 registered users from California libraries
- 1,000+ added in past year





Sustainable California Libraries: Adult & Intergenerational Themed LSTA Opportunity

Fall 2023 Update



2023 - 2024

15 California library systems are hosting local projects that focus on climate education, resilience, & community engagement.

Amount Funded: \$328,800

Projects span the state from National City to Shasta, with a focus on local resources and community strengths.

Image: County of San Luis Obispo Shandon Tool Lending Library & Reading Garden (2022 – 2023)



The Why

About 8 in 10 California adults say climate change is a top concern or one of several important concerns for them personally.

Libraries are uniquely positioned as community hubs that provide trusted information about climate change and resilience, effectively connect with community-based organizations, work as partners in developing a model for community resilience centers, and provide relevant programming for all ages.

Image: Tulare County Library gardening program with partner, FoodLink (food insecurity).



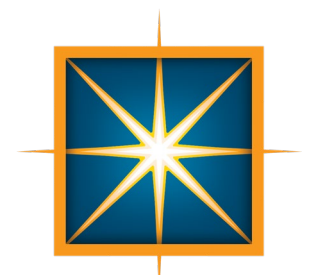
Goal 4: Strengthen equitable resource-sharing and access to information, services, and opportunity with an emphasis on local community strengths and challenges.

2023-2024 plans include:

- transportation to local farms and green spaces
- creation of plastic pollution & solutions exhibit
- seed library creation and seed saving workshops
- Climate Warriors for developmentally disabled adults
- creation and expansion of libraries of things including hand and battery-powered tool lending libraries
- home electrification presentations, including how to access rebates
- Repair Cafes, Fix-It Clinics and mending workshops

Top Image: San Diego County Library La Mesa branch Seeds & Sustainability story time (2022-2023 project)

Bottom Image: Sunnyvale Public Library Earth Day resource fair & workshops (2022-2023 project)



2022 – 2023 Recap

- 19 Projects Statewide
- Amount Funded: \$475,500
- Community of Practice sessions
- 2023 Sustainability Symposium: 12 presentations, with 99 attendees
- At least 40% of program attendees were first timers (never attended a library program before)
- At least 90% of survey respondents intended to apply what they learned in the program

Image: Mono County's Earth Month 2023 series of events with Partner High Sierra Energy Foundation (nonprofit)

Mono County 2023 EARTH MONTH



APRIL EVENTS

All events are free and open to all ages. For more details and to register for any of these events, visit highsierraenergy.org.

3 MONDAY, APRIL 3

June Lake Sustainability Fair

- Hands-on Workshops and Demonstrations: Gear Repairs, Vermiculture, Recycling & Upcycling, Induction Cooking, Energy Efficiency and more!
- 4pm-6pm, June Lake Community Center
90 W Granite Ave, June Lake, CA 93529

6 THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Eastern Sierra Activism Panel

- Moderated by Matt McLain
- 5pm-6:30pm, Edison Theatre
100 College Pkwy, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

13 THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Flexing Our Citizen Muscles: Sustainability, Systems and Civic Activism

- Featuring Michael O'Heaney
Executive Director of The Story of Stuff Project
- 5pm-6:30pm, Edison Theatre
100 College Pkwy, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

20 THURSDAY, APRIL 20

Science to Solutions: Solving for Single Use Plastics and Microfibers in Our Environment

- Featuring Dr. Lisa Erdle
Director of Science & Innovation at 5 Gyres
- 5pm-6:30pm, Mono Lake Indian & Lee Vining Community Center
296 Mattly Ave, Lee Vining, CA 93541

27 THURSDAY, APRIL 27

Journey to Low-Waste Living

- Featuring Anne-Marie Bonneau
Author of Zero-Waste Chef
- 5pm-6:30pm, Mammoth Lakes Branch Library
400 Sierra Park Rd, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

28 FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Walker Sustainability Fair

- Hands-on Workshops and Demonstrations: Gear Repairs, Vermiculture, Recycling & Upcycling, Induction Cooking, Energy Efficiency and more!
- 4pm-6pm, Walker Community Center
442 Mule Deer Rd, Coleville, CA 96107



Brought to you by Mono County Free Library and High Sierra Energy Foundation.
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Promising Practices

- Bilingual presenters and promotional materials
- Live translation, live-streaming, and sharing recorded versions of programs (for some)
- Emphasis on accessibility
- Evolving links to local Native American community members
- Ties to Parks Pass, Lunch at the Library & more
- Getting a place at the table with Offices of Sustainability, Climate Action Planning teams, etc
- Ongoing partnerships and relationships
- Hands-on, outdoor, intergenerational programs



Image: Orange Public Library Seed Library How it Works signage (bilingual) 2022-2023 project

