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October 1, 2024 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



MEETING NOTICE

**California Library Services Board
October 1, 2024
10:30am – 12:30pm**

Remote meeting:
This meeting will be a Zoom meeting

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Immediately following Board business meeting.*

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See next page for physical meeting locations

California State Library Building

State Librarian's Office Suite
914 Capitol Mall
Sacramento, CA 95814

Camarena Memorial Library

850 Encinas Avenue
Calexico CA 92231

Glendale Public Library

Administration Conference Room
Central Branch
222 East Harvard St.
Glendale, CA 91205

Humboldt County Library

1313 3rd Street
Eureka, CA, 95501

Rohnert Park Library

6250 Lynne Conde Way
Rohnert Park, CA 94928

Port of Long Beach Administration Building

415 W. Ocean Blvd.,
1st Floor Multipurpose Room
Long Beach, CA 90802

San Diego Community College

District Board Office
3375 Camino del Rio South
San Diego, CA 92108

Tulare County Public Law Library

Kenneth E. Conn Conference Room
221 S Mooney Blvd
Visalia, CA 93291

Whittier Public Library

Central library Conference Room
7344 Washington Ave.
Whittier, CA 90602

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 28, 2024 Board Minutes – Document 1

Consider minutes as presented or amended

4. Meeting date for Winter & Spring 2025

Discuss dates for the upcoming Board meetings

5. Nominating Committee

Board appoints a nominating committee to determine Board officer nominees for 2025-2026 session

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

4. Zip Books Grant Programs Report

Zip Books program update

5. Board Members Reports

Report on activities since last Board meeting

C. CALIFORNIA LIBRARY SERVICES ACT

BUDGET AND PLANNING

1. Library Services Act Final Budget for FY 2024-2025 – Document 2

Consider FY 2024-2025 final budget

2. California Library Services Act System-level programs – Document 3

a) Review and approve Systems Plans of Service for FY 2024-2025

b) Consider Systems population and membership figures for FY 2024-2025

D. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

1. Overview of Legislation Affecting Libraries FY 2024-2025

Consider areas of legislative concern for the upcoming fiscal year

2. Institute of Museum and Library Services

Consider status of Institute of Museum and Library Services for the upcoming fiscal year

E. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS FY 2024-2025

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

1. Board Vacancies

Information and discussion on current Board vacancies

2. Advocacy Materials Development

Update on Board advocacy materials

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 28, 2024

Remote Meeting: Zoom

BOARD OPENING

Welcome and Introductions

Board president Williams called the California Library Services Board meeting to order on May 28, 2024, at 10:00 am.

Board Members Present:

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

California State Library Staff Present:

Monica Rivas, Annly Roman, California State Librarian Greg Lucas, Natalie Cole, Deputy State Librarian Rebecca Wendt, Lynne Oliva, Lena Pham, and Meg DePriest.

Adoption of Agenda

It was moved, seconded (Tauler /Weissman) and carried with seven ayes and one abstention (Maghsoudi) that the California Library Services Board adopts the agenda for the May 28, 2024, meeting.

Approval of February 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes

It was moved, seconded (Weissman / Bernardo) and carried with seven ayes and one abstention (Maghsoudi) that the California Library Services Board approves, as presented, the draft minutes of the February 01, 2024, California Library Services Act Board Meeting.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Board President's Report

Board President Connie Williams reported that California Library Services Act (CLSA) continues to work on AB 535, which was not funded at the time of meeting. Williams briefly spoke about the potential positive impact of this bill on school communities, particularly the need for teacher librarians. Williams spoke about the bill's development, with consideration of AI bills and the Model School Library Standards.

1 **Vice President's Report**

2 Vice President Anne Bernardo updated the Board on the challenges faced by
3 California's public law libraries, particularly the ongoing issues related to funding.
4 Bernardo noted that efforts are being made to secure additional resources to
5 support these institutions, which are crucial for access to justice. Bernardo also
6 shared insights from her continued monitoring of national library trends through
7 participation in American Library Association, California Library Association, and
8 regional library calls-to-action.

9 **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

10 State Librarian Greg Lucas provided an overview of the State Library's activities
11 since the last board meeting. Lucas briefly discussed the continued work of
12 maintaining the level of local assistance provided and ensuring the State Library's
13 services to California residents and state employees can continue.

14 Board president Williams thanked Lucas for his recent presentation to the
15 Board of Education.

16 **Zip Books Grant Program Report**

17 California State Library Grants and Bureau Operation Manager Annly Roman
18 provided an overview of the Zip Books program structure and shared an update
19 on the program, which continues to be a vital resource for underserved
20 communities across California. Roman highlighted the program's success in
21 delivering timely and cost-effective access to books in areas where traditional
22 library services are limited. In the 2022-23 fiscal year, total money requested was
23 over the budgeted amount, so awards given to the 96 requesting programs were
24 adjusted based on each program's LIPC (Local income Per Capita) level. For the
25 2023-24 fiscal year, the program has expanded to include 99 library programs out
26 of 186 jurisdictions. Final reports from the library programs for the 2023-24 fiscal
27 year will be due on July 31, 2024. Applications for the upcoming fiscal year are
28 open and will close June 12, 2024. Application orientations are being held so that
29 programs have opportunities to discuss the program and any questions about the
30 application process. Roman mentioned that the program's future depends on the
31 final approval of the State Budget, with \$1 million allocated for the next fiscal year.

32 **CALIFORNIA LIBRARY SERVICES ACT**

33 **BUDGET AND PLANNING**

34 ***Library Services Act Preliminary Budget for FY 2024-2025***

35 The Board reviewed the preliminary budget for the 2024-25 fiscal year, as
36 outlined in Document 2. California State Library Grants and Bureau Operation

1 Manager Annly Roman spoke about the Governor's proposed budget, which
2 includes a proposal to provide \$3.63 million in funding for the California Library
3 Services Act program and \$1 million for the Zip Books program. Document 2
4 contains projected allocations, divided up by the current CLSA allocation
5 formula. Roman shared that the Department of Finance posted a revision letter
6 proposing to reduce the annual allocation to CLSA by \$1.75 million, leaving \$1.88
7 million to be allocated to the cooperative libraries systems. Roman stated that the
8 suggested reduction was not incorporated into any budget bills at the time of
9 Board meeting but was the most current information. Roman shared this
10 information so that the Board understood what their options were for potential
11 action items, and CLSA Coordinator and Analyst Monica Rivas restated the
12 potential action items with the specific numbers provided in the Board packet.

13 Board member Weissman asked if action to approve based on the
14 reduced allocation would cause that reduced allocation to be included in the
15 finalized budget. Roman responded that the Department of Finance receives a
16 copy of all Board actions. Weissman also asked if the Board would be meeting
17 before the start of the 2024-25 fiscal year. Rivas responded that the next meeting
18 of the Board will be in fall 2024, at which the Board will approve the final budget.

19 Board member Murguia asked if it is possible for a motion to include the
20 \$3.63 million *and/or* the budgeted amount in the adopted budget. Roman
21 responded that it is possible to state a motion that includes approval of the \$3.63
22 million allocation, language that reflects that this number is contingent upon
23 passage of the finalized budget, and language that includes approval of what
24 the updated allocation may be in the finalized budget.

25 ***It was moved and seconded (Murguia/Weissman) and carried with***
26 ***seven ayes and one abstention (Maghsoudi) that the California***
27 ***Library Services Board approve contingent upon the passage of the***
28 ***State Budget Act, the 2024-2025 CLSA budget as directed in the***
29 ***proposed 2024-2025 budget, totaling \$3,630,000, or the appropriated***
30 ***allocation in the final 2024-2025 budget, for allocation to Cooperative***
31 ***Library Systems.***

32 Board member Bernardo shared the need for a second action item for the
33 Zip Books program. Roman restated the current process for the Zip Books
34 allocations. Rivas restated the amount currently in the budget.

35 ***It was further moved and seconded (Tauler/ Bernardo) and carried***
36 ***with seven ayes and one abstention (Maghsoudi) that the California***
37 ***Library Services Board approve, contingent upon the passage of the***

1 **State Budget Act, the \$1 million allocated in the 2024-2025 budget to**
2 **invest in the Zip Books program to ensure timely and cost-effective**
3 **access to information in California’s hard-to-reach and underserved**
4 **communities.**

5 **RESOURCE SHARING**

6 **Annual Report for FY 2022-2023**

7 The Board reviewed the System Annual Report for the 2022-23 fiscal year, as
8 outlined in Document 3. The report highlighted key achievements, including
9 successful collaborative initiatives between library systems. CLSA Coordinator and
10 Analyst Monica Rivas explained the Annual Report and how the budget for the
11 2022-23 fiscal year contributed to the expansion of library programming,
12 particularly digital resources.

13 **Correction to 2023-2024 Population and Membership Figures**

14 The Board discussed the need to update the population and membership
15 figures for the Santiago Library System Cooperative, as outlined in Document 4. It
16 was noted that the previous figures were inaccurate and required correction to
17 ensure proper representation and funding allocation.

18 **Library Withdrawal from System Cooperative**

19 The Board addressed the withdrawal of Palo Verde Valley District Library from
20 the Inland Library System Cooperative, as outlined in Document 5. The reasons for
21 withdrawal were discussed, including the impact on both the library and the
22 cooperative system.

23 **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

24 **Overview of Legislation Affecting Libraries FY 2024-2025**

25 State Librarian Lucas provided an update on legislative issues impacting
26 California libraries, particularly focusing on how the potential budget change
27 impacted funding for Career Pathways, BrainFuse, and the proposed rollback of
28 \$131 million from the Building Forward Library Facilities Improvement Program
29 funds. These cuts, proposed in the Governor’s budget, could severely affect
30 infrastructure projects and digital access in libraries, especially in underserved
31 communities.

32 Board member Weissman requested that information about specific programs
33 that will be eliminated under the proposed budget be provided. Lucas said that
34 information would be provided.

35 Board member Bernardo asked for clarification about the legislative
36 developments regarding the State Library grants portal. Lucas explained the
37 interest from outside groups and agencies in changing the grants portal, and
38 explained why it is not likely to happen.

1 Lucas gave a brief overview of federal developments, specifically regarding
2 the upcoming opportunity for renewal of the Institute of Museum and Library
3 Services (IMLS) budget.

4 **BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS FY 2024-2025**

5 **Strategies and Legislative Goals**

6 The Board engaged in a focused discussion on their advocacy strategies and
7 legislative goals for the upcoming fiscal year, with consideration for concerns over
8 the proposed state budget cuts.

9 Board President Williams raised for discussion ways for the Board to advocate
10 to policymakers about the value and importance of libraries. Williams mentioned
11 Board member Weissman's experience speaking with legislators and Board
12 member Lau's opportunity to speak with State Parks about library and cultural
13 initiatives. Williams suggested the Board consider visits to local offices of state and
14 federal elected officials. Williams suggested developing talking points and
15 scheduling meetings within a shared timeframe to allow Board members to report
16 back.

17 Weissman appreciated the idea and expressed interest in participating in her
18 local offices.

19 Lau serves on the board of the California State Parks Foundation and spoke
20 about advocacy experience through that service. Lau spoke about the potential
21 impact of joining forces with other organizations, interest groups, and lobbyists.

22 Weissman spoke about a conversation she had with Senate Majority Leader
23 Lena Gonzalez about libraries state budget. Weissman plans to speak with
24 legislators about library interest and welcomes any talking points that can be
25 shared.

26 Williams requested development of talking points on Institute of Museum and
27 Library Services and on state funded library programs, particularly BrainFuse and
28 Career Pathways. Williams asked that State Library staff assist in scheduling
29 meetings with policymakers. Murguia suggested that Board members might
30 better be able to schedule for themselves.

31 Weissman requested that talking points include specific information on budget
32 data, particularly cuts to library program as a result of budget cuts.

33 Weissman asked about when talking points and data might be received. State
34 Librarian Greg Lucas said information would be gathered quickly and should not
35 take long to deliver.

36 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

37 There was no public comment brought forward.

1 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/OFFICERS**

2 No further comments were discussed all were covered under Board Discussion.

3 **OLD BUSINESS**

4 **Palm Desert Library Affiliation Update**

5 State Librarian Lucas provided an update on the Palm Desert Library's
6 affiliation with the Inland Library System, confirming that the California State
7 Library received Ordinance-1408, completing the process. The Board expressed
8 satisfaction with the progress and welcomed Palm Desert Library to the
9 cooperative system.

10 **Update on Administrative Assistant II Position**

11 Deputy State Librarian Wendt updated the Board on the hiring process for
12 the Administrative Assistant II position, noting that first interview process was
13 unsuccessful and that the position posting would be reopened. Board President
14 Williams will serve as Board representation in the hiring process.

15 **Update on CLSA Forms**

16 CSL Grants and Bureau Operation Manager Annly Roman provided an
17 update on the new CLSA forms used for reporting, highlighting improvements in
18 the submission process and data-gathering questions, and the feedback
19 received from participants. Roman also discussed the move to a new grant
20 management system, AmpliFund.

21 Roman also shared that, because of the changes to the forms for Plans for
22 Service, the deadline for submission has been extended to August 1, 2024.

23 **AGENDA BUILDING**

24 **Board Vacancies**

25 Board member Weissman discussed potentially including an agenda item
26 regarding recruitment for Board vacancies. CSL Grants and Bureau Operation
27 Manager Annly Roman provided a list of vacancies in the meeting chat.

28 **Advocacy Materials Development**

29 Board member Weissman asked about resources and information for
30 patrons to advocate for the Library, and suggested including an agenda item to
31 discuss the development of these materials. Board President Williams mentioned
32 existing American Library Association resources, and Weissman suggested these
33 materials be shared on the Board or Library webpage. State Librarian Lucas
34 shared that an attendee mentioned in the meeting chat that the California
35 Library Association has advocacy materials, and that EveryLibrary has materials
36 as well. Board member Murguia mentioned existing resources on the California
37 State Library website.

1 **Institute of Museum and Library Services**

2 Board President Williams will add an Institute of Museum and Library
3 Services update to the agenda for the next meeting.

4 **ADJOURNMENT**

5 Board President Williams adjourned the California Library Services Board
6 meeting at 12:50 pm.

AGENDA ITEM: Library Services Act Final Budget for FY 2024-2025

ISSUE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING:

Consider the Final CLSA budget for FY 2024-2025

1. RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD:

I move that the California Library Services Board adopt, the Final 2024/2025 budget as directed in the Governor's 2024/2025 Budget, totaling \$1,880,000 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 2024/2025 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 2024/2025 CLSA budget totaling \$1,880,000 for allocation to Cooperative Library Systems (**Exhibit A**).

ISSUE 2:

Consideration of the \$1 million allocated in the CLSA 2024/2025 budget to invest in the Zip Books.

BACKGROUND:

The Governor's final budget, released on June 30, 2024, for the 2024/2025 fiscal year, included a proposal to provide \$1,880,000 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 2025/2026 fiscal year.

CLSA Final System Budget Allocations \$1,880,000- FY 2024/25

Communications and Delivery Program

System	Baseline Budget	System Administration	Total	Zipbooks
Black Gold	\$ 57,627	\$ 14,407	\$ 72,034	
49-99	\$ 62,248	\$ 15,562	\$ 77,810	
Inland	\$ 154,910	\$ 38,729	\$ 193,639	
NorthNet	\$ 345,112	\$ 86,278	\$ 431,390	
PLP	\$ 294,242	\$ 73,561	\$ 367,803	
SJVLS	\$ 99,520	\$ 24,880	\$ 124,400	
Santiago	\$ 91,472	\$ 22,867	\$ 114,339	
Serra	\$ 110,047	\$ 27,512	\$ 137,559	
SCLC	\$ 288,822	\$ 72,204	\$ 361,026	
Total funding	\$ 1,504,000	\$ 376,000	\$ 1,880,000	\$ 1,000,000

AGENDA ITEM: California Library Services Act System-level programs

ISSUE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING:

Consider the 2024/2025 CLSA System Plans of Service

Consider the 2024/2025 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 2024/2025.

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 2024/2025.

ISSUE 1:

Consideration of CLSA System Plans of Service for FY 2024/2025 (**Exhibit B**)

BACKGROUND:

CLSA System Plans of Service for FY 2024/2025 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.

ISSUE 2:

Consideration of 2024/2025 CLSA System Population and Membership Figures (**Exhibit C**).

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 2025/2026 fiscal year.

**California Library Services Act
System Communications and Delivery Program
Plan of Service – FY 2024/2025**

Pacific Library Partnership (PLP): 36 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$367,803

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

The Pacific Library Partnership (PLP) provides shared resources, including shared courier services and eCollections. The Pacific Library Partnership uses CLSA funds in accordance with the specified uses per California law to support equitable access to shared resources among three or more libraries. A portion of the funds it will receive will be used to support communication tools, including Zoom and their website. A significant portion will be used to support courier services among the libraries within the four regions.

Because the needs of the PLP libraries across the region are so diverse, PLP will allocate funds to the public libraries by formula to spend on local needs, including networking/broadband costs; limited hardware costs related to CENIC; Link+; purchasing OverDrive eMaterials in a shared environment; purchases of shared eMaterials in OCLC's CloudLibrary; and eBooks-for-All Palace project.

The local libraries will fill out the claim forms for reporting purposes and to verify how they will use the funds locally to best serve the diverse needs of their residents. Providing a mechanism for sharing of physical materials assists the public libraries in improving services to the underserved by ensuring books and other physical materials can move freely past jurisdictional boundaries and reach various communities.

Community Needs, Aspirations, and Assets Response (Demographics)

The large geographic area represented by PLP libraries results in an extremely diverse population served across the system. Libraries range from well-resourced urban libraries, under-resourced rural libraries, and a combination of everywhere in between. At the system level, 44% of residents are non-English speaking, with

27% of the population identifying as Hispanic and 29% as Asian. 15% of residents are classified as functionally illiterate. And 8% of the population is considered economically disadvantaged.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Electronic Materials (Resource Sharing)

Title: Electronic Material (Resource Sharing)

Description: It is estimated that 19 libraries will choose from the menu of services to use CLSA funds to purchase shared eResources. Materials will be purchased through Overdrive, OCLC Cloud Library, and Palace eBooks for All. It is estimated that approximately 3,600 titles will be purchased.

Activity: Inter Library Loan (Delivery)

Title: Interlibrary Loan (Delivery)

Description: It is estimated that 12 libraries will choose from the menu of services to use CLSA funds to support Link+ services at their libraries. Link+ is a resource sharing system used by libraries to expand their users' access to materials and collections not available at their local library. Requested materials are delivered by courier between participating Link+ libraries. It is not known how many items will be loaned or borrowed, as the libraries use their funds to support the subscription costs, and not the courier piece.

Activity: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Title: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Description: CLSA funds will be used to support delivery services to all PLP libraries. 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

Activity: Library Broadband (Communications and Delivery)

Title: Library Broadband (Communications and Delivery)

Description: It is estimated that some PLP libraries will choose from the menu of service to allocate funds to support broadband needs. 12 libraries will utilize CLSA funds for broadband related activities. At least one library will use funds to support CENIC costs. 11 libraries will utilize funds to purchase broadband hardware and upgrade equipment that has reached end- of-life.

Activity: System Operations (Resource Sharing, Communications, and Delivery)

Title: System Operations (Resource Sharing, Communications, and Delivery)

Description: CLSA funds will be used to support system operation functions. PLP purchases subscriptions from Zoom for teleconferencing, Doodle for meeting scheduling, and Survey Monkey for surveying membership. PLP purchases services to host and maintain two websites and a VOIP phone system. PLP also utilizes CLSA funds for delivery related office supplies such as postage and mailing materials.

CLSA Budget PLP 2024-2025 \$367,803

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$73,561

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
1)CEO (.35 FTE)	\$51,547	
2)Assistant Director (.06 FTE)	\$7,603	
3)Controller (.07 FTE)	\$8,024	
4)Operations Manager (.04 FTE)	\$2,895	
5)Accounting Assistant II (.04 FTE)	\$2,055	
6)Administrative Assistant II (.03 FTE)	\$1,437	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$73,561	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$294,242

Supplies and Materials

Supplies/Materials	CLSA Funds	Description
Office supplies	\$1,650	Postage and General Supplies for effective resource sharing
Total Supplies/Materials	\$1,650	

Equipment

Equipment	CLSA Funds	Description
Broadband hardware	\$32,787	Allocation to libraries, estimation of hardware (routers, switches) to be purchased for effective resource sharing.
Total Equipment	\$32,787	

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
System Delivery Contracts	\$202,090	Systemwide contract: Courier service for four regional systems for effective resource sharing

Zoom	\$800	Subscription to hold virtual regional committee meetings for effective resource sharing
Basecamp	\$1,000	Resource sharing and communication tool for effective resource sharing
Software Licenses	\$710	Licenses for Doodle and SurveyMonkey, communication tools to assist in arranging meetings and surveying members for effective resource sharing
Innovative Link+ Resource Sharing Subscription	\$12,441	Allocation to libraries for effective resource sharing; estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds towards shared Link+ contract
Shared eResource Collections	\$42,597	Allocation to libraries, estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds towards other shared eCollections, such as OverDrive (\$34,070), OCLC CloudLibrary (\$3,201), or Palace eBooks for All (\$5,326)
Broadband telecommunication costs	\$167	Allocation to libraries for effective resource sharing; estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds to support broadband telecommunications costs
Total Services	\$259,805	
Total expenses: baseline	\$294,242	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$367,803	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds PLP

Baseline Funds 2023-2024

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
System Delivery Contracts	\$17,910	Systemwide contract: Courier service for four regional systems for effective resource sharing
Link+	\$50,000	Funds from FY 2023-24 held in reserve for potential mid-year purchases but remained unallocated in anticipation of potential cuts to CLSA funds in FY 2024- 25. Funds will be distributed to libraries to support Link+ services.
Telecommunications	\$3,910	Unexpended funds from FY 2023-24 C&D funds. Office telephones
Webhosting and Website Security	\$2,860	Unexpended funds from FY 2023-24 C&D funds Webhosting services for PLP websites, communication tool for effective resource sharing; Brown Act compliance
Total Services	\$74,680	

NorthNet Library System (NLS): 44 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$431,390

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

The NorthNet Library System will provide shared resources, including shared courier services and eCollections, for its member libraries.

NLS will use CLSA funds in accordance with the specified uses per California law to support equitable access to shared resources among three or more libraries. Funds will be allocated to support two specific courier services in two regions: Mountain Valley Library System, and North Bay Cooperative Library System. Funds will also support a shared eBook and eAudiobook collection among 27 number of libraries. Because the needs of the NLS region are so diverse, NLS will allocate some of the funds to the libraries so that they may choose from a menu of services, including support for Link+, support for their own shared eCollections, support for their own shared delivery, and to support broadband hardware and telecommunication costs. Providing a mechanism for sharing of physical materials and shared eCollections assists the public libraries in improving services to the underserved by ensuring books and other physical materials can move freely past jurisdictional boundaries and reach various communities. Unfortunately, with the 50% funding reduction, NLS will not be able to support the shared eMagazine collection. The cut so late in the budget process will result in it being paid for with NLS fund balance, and most likely being discontinued in the future.

Community Needs, Aspirations, and Assets Response (Demographics)

NLS libraries are overwhelmingly represented by the most geographically isolated, rural and frontier communities of California. In addition to the ruralness, recent demographics of the NLS region report the following: 12% are below the poverty level; 18% are over the age of 65 years; and 24% are non-English speaking. NLS has demonstrated a long-standing commitment to investing in services that will meet the needs of their most isolated and rural populations through the allocation of funds directed to courier delivery services and the investment in eMaterials.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Electronic Materials (Resource Sharing)

Title: Shared eResources (OverDrive eBooks/eAudiobooks)

Description: This will include a) the Library-to-Go shared collection among 27-member libraries. b) Should some regions with shared collections choose (such as MARINet) they may allocate some of their CLSA funds to a shared OverDrive collection between 3 or more libraries, or for shared Kanopy or Palace eBook-for-All. It is estimated that between all these shared collections, 1,209,946 items will be circulated. It is not known how many titles will be purchased, as this metric was not counted in the past.

Activity: Inter Library Loan (Delivery)

Title: Inter Library Loan Delivery

Description: To meet the diverse needs of the areas of NLS, some of the CLSA funds will be allocated to NLS Libraries through a menu of services. It is anticipated they will use the funds to support:

1. Five libraries will choose to use funds to support Inter-library loan delivery, which may come from either OCLC ILL or from other local shared courier, or use of CLSA funds to mail items because of being in a geographically isolated area with no access to courier service.
2. Innovative Link+ Resource Sharing Subscription: 4 of the 17 NLS libraries participating in the shared contract may allocate CLSA funds to support this subscription. It is not known how many items will be loaned or borrowed, as the libraries use their funds to support the subscription costs, and not the courier piece.

Activity: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Title: Intra System Lending – Delivery

Description: 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.

NLS will support the contracted services of two couriers serving the Mountain Valley Library System (10 libraries) and the North Bay Cooperative Library System (6 libraries), with additional local and inter-library delivery services paid with local funding.

Activity 7: Library Broadband (Communications and Delivery)

Title: Library Broadband

Description: To meet the diverse needs of the areas of NLS, some of the CLSA funds will be allocated to NLS Libraries through a formula. We anticipate that two libraries will allocate funds for Broadband hardware to purchase routers or switches for their network backbone, and four libraries may choose to allocate funds for Broadband telecommunication costs.

Activity: System Operations (Resource Sharing, Communications, and Delivery)

Title: System Operations

Description: Title: The Communication and Delivery baseline funds include baseline services for NLS, including office supplies, general postage, website hosting, Doodle, Zoom, and domain names. Providing these services promotes effective communication and supports the System's general needs.

CLSA Budget NorthNet 2024-2025 \$431,390

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$86,278

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
1)System Coordinator (.33 FTE)	\$26,350	
2)CEO (.10 FTE)	\$15,446	
3)Controller (.11 FTE)	\$14,589	
4)Operations Manager (.20 FTE)	\$15,149	
5)Accounting Assistant II (.08 FTE)	\$3,863	
6)Administrative Assistant II (.04 FTE)	\$1,965	
7)Fiscal/Admin Svcs Specialist (.09 FTE)	\$6,628	
8)Administrative Assistant (.09 FTE)	\$2,288	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$86,278	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$345,112

Supplies and Materials

Supplies/Materials	CLSA Funds	Description
Office supplies	\$250	Postage and General Supplies for effective resource sharing
Total Supplies/Materials	\$250	

Equipment

Equipment	CLSA Funds	Description
Broadband hardware	\$11,185	Allocation to libraries, estimation of hardware (routers, switches) to be purchased for effective resource sharing.
Total Equipment	\$11,185	

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Zoom	\$450	Subscription to hold virtual regional committee meetings for effective resource sharing
Doodle	\$85	Communication tool to assist in arranging meetings for effective resource sharing
Website hosting and Domain Names	\$3,974	Communication tool for effective resource sharing; Brown Act compliance
Two System Delivery Contracts	\$106,531	Systemwide contract: Courier service for two regional systems for effective resource sharing.
Shared OverDrive Library-to-Go eCollection	\$55,000	Shared eBook and eAudio collection for effective resource sharing
Other Shared eCollections	\$82,619	Allocation to libraries for effective resource sharing, estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds towards other shared eCollections, such as OverDrive (\$62,869), Palace eBooks for All (\$10,000), or Kanopy (\$9,750)
Innovative Link+ Resource Sharing Subscription	\$30,000	Allocation to libraries for effective resource sharing; estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds towards shared Link+ contract
Inter-library loan (local use)	\$15,000	Allocation to libraries for effective resource sharing; estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds for local courier costs
Broadband telecommunication costs	\$40,018	Allocation to libraries for effective resource sharing; estimate some libraries may allocate CLSA funds to support broadband telecommunications costs
Total Services	\$333,677	
Total expenses: baseline	\$345,112	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$431,390	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Two System Delivery Contracts	\$4,855	Systemwide contract: Courier service for two regional systems for effective resource sharing.
Shared OverDrive Library-to-Go eCollection	\$10,140	Use of FY 2023-24 allocation to libraries for shared Library-to-Go to offset costs due to 50% allocation reduction
Total Services	\$14,995	
Total income: fiscal year 2023-2024	\$14,995	
Total remaining: fiscal year 2023-2024	\$0	

Black Gold Cooperative Library System: 6 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$72,034

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

Black Gold Libraries share a single ILS. The CLSA funds will be used towards the courier costs to deliver the physical catalog items to all member libraries. Any remaining CLSA funds will be used to purchase OverDrive ebooks and eaudiobooks to be added to Black Gold's shared OverDrive collection available to all Black Gold members.

Black Gold will use the CLSA funding to pay 100% of the cost for a shared courier service to deliver physical items to and from its member libraries. Because all its members share the same catalog, patrons regularly place holds on items from the other library jurisdictions within our Cooperative, so the delivery system is quite robust.

Black Gold's library community values their ability to access the vast collection held throughout the Black Gold Cooperative Library System. The needs of the library community are best met when patrons can request items from other libraries within the System. Black Gold's members are from smaller rural libraries, so this sharing model is of great benefit to their communities.

Black Gold will use any remaining CLSA funds toward purchases of ebooks and eaudiobooks for their shared OverDrive Collection. Black Gold members contribute funds toward the purchase of items in the shared OverDrive collection; and this amount will be supplemented by CLSA funding. The six member jurisdictions will rotate each month to make purchases of ebooks and eaudiobooks for the whole Cooperative.

The system recognizes the increasing desire for e-resources; so, as a Cooperative, they will continue to expand their shared digital collection through OverDrive. The model of sharing these digital items has such a positive impact, its members have

chosen to share their individual OverDrive collections through OverDrive's Advantage Plus program.

Community Needs, Aspirations, and Assets Response (Demographics)

Information regarding the underserved communities is not available at this time.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Electronic Materials (Resource Sharing)

Title: Shared Black Gold OverDrive Collection

Description: Black Gold has a shared OverDrive collection. They purchase licenses for ebooks, eaudiobooks, and emagazines. Purchases are made using local funds and supplemented with the CLSA C&D funding. This collection is shared with every member of Black Gold. Each member also has their own Advantage Plus account with OverDrive which is in-turn also shared with all other members of Black Gold.

Activity: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Title: Black Gold Intra-System Delivery

Description: Black Gold members share a single catalog and ILS. Black Gold contracts with a third-party Courier service that picks up and delivers books between libraries. This service is provided 2 days each week between the main locations of every member jurisdiction.

CLSA Budget Black Gold 2024-2025 \$72,034

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025: \$14,407

Will rollover funds to BASELINE

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$57,627

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
OverDrive Ebooks and Eaudiobooks	\$9,634	
Courier Services	\$62,400	
Total Services	\$72,034	

San Joaquin Valley Library System (SJVLS): 10 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$124,400

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

The San Joaquin Valley Library System (SJVLS) has a single goal for our Communication and Delivery funding in fiscal year 2024-2025, to be able to continue to provide intra system delivery of materials between its member library branches. SJVLS will utilize its full CLSA allocation along with our rollover funds from the previous year to subsidize a portion of the costs of operating delivery and will have to withdraw funds from reserves to fully fund intra system delivery without billing its members for the service. The combination of SJVLS's shared ILS and intra system delivery allows patrons at any SJVLS library branch to have access to significantly more titles than they would have at their local library alone. The table below shows the number of distinct titles owned by each of SJVLS members along with the number of additional titles they gain access to through the shared ILS and intra system delivery service.

Member	Owned Titles	Additional Titles
Coalinga-Huron	69,597	617,622
Fresno County	308,888	412,964
Kern County	323,667	383,311
Kings County	103,132	585,478
Madera County	130,548	556,865
Mariposa County	60,004	624,279
Merced County	108,951	583,792
Porterville City	38,344	645,198
Tulare County	139,153	551,085
Tulare Public	70,723	617,900

Demographics

SJVLS serves diverse populations of residents spread over a large geographic area, spanning from Mariposa County in the north to Kern County in the south. The ten library jurisdictions that comprise SJVLS contain a mixture of urban and rural libraries. Many of the rural locations are geographically isolated and the only library branch available to residents in the community. The rural locations are

smaller in size and have limited space for materials. As a result, patrons of these libraries rely on the ability to request items from larger branches within SJVLS.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity 4: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Title: SJVLS Intra System Delivery

Description: SJVLS contracts with Fresno County Public Library to provide delivery of materials between our member library headquarters. This service transits materials, either sending materials to fill patron requests, or to return the items to their home library. Delivery occurs 3 days a week, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. This is an essential service that SJVLS provides its members and is the primary reason we operate a shared catalog and wide area network.

CLSA Budget SJVLS 2024-2025 \$124,400

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025: \$24,880

Will rollover funds to BASELINE

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$99,520

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Contracted Delivery Service with Fresno County Public Library	\$124,400	Contracted delivery services to transport library materials between SJVLS member libraries.
Total Services	\$124,400	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Contracted Delivery Service with Fresno County Public Library	\$2,452	Systemwide contract: Courier service for two regional systems for effective resource sharing
Total Services	\$2,452	

Inland Library System: 19 Members

Total CLSA Budget \$373,832

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

Inland members continue to use CLSA funds to provide Electronic Resources to their communities. They have a shared systemwide platform, through OCLC cloudLibrary NewsStand that offers over 8,000 digital magazines and newspapers in 60 languages. Additionally, three member libraries have allocated funds to enhance their cloudLibrary eBook and eAudiobook collections. Six member libraries are allocating funds to offer Hoopla to their patrons; one member library is allocating funds to offer Lyris to their patrons; and nine member libraries are allocating funds to offer Overdrive to their patrons. The emphasis on electronic resources in Inland is warranted, as there are many rural and impoverished communities who lack access to resources. After the purchase of the systemwide cloudLibrary NewsStand platform, a majority of the remaining funds will be distributed to individual member libraries using a population-based formula, with each member offering a full resource sharing model for patrons.

All libraries are participating in a service with the following breakdown:

Electronic Resources:

- cloudLibrary NewsStand: all libraries
- Overdrive: Beaumont, Inyo County, Palm Desert, Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage, Riverside Public, San Bernardino County, San Bernardino Public, Upland Public Libraries
- Lyris: Victorville Public Library
- Hoopla: Banning, Colton, Corona, Hemet, Murietta, Rancho Cucamonga Public Libraries
- cloudLibrary: Ontario, Moreno Valley, Riverside County Public Libraries

The system will continue to set CLSA funds aside to provide physical intra system delivery.

Community Needs, Aspirations, and Assets Response (Demographics)

Member libraries strive to ensure excellent library service and meet the needs of a diverse population. CloudLibrary NewsStand allows patrons access to popular resources in English and other languages, 24 hours a day, without needing to physically be at the library. Inland also contains rural and/or economically disadvantaged communities, many with the average income well below the State average, for whom this is a great resource. Hoopla provides their patrons access to movies, music, and television that many in their city do not have through traditional cable or streaming services. This service is intended to address the need for additional accessibility to library resources that provide remote access of various media content in multiple formats. The use of eBooks and audiobooks are increasing, largely due to the ease of accessibility.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Electronic Materials (Resource Sharing)

Title: Cloud Library, Hoopla, Lyris, and Overdrive

Description: A system-wide subscription to Bibliotheca's cloudLibrary NewsStand digital platform will be purchased. Funds will also be disbursed to member libraries to purchase their own subscription of their choosing to either Hoopla, Lyris, Overdrive, or cloudLibrary. The anticipated total number of eBooks and eAudio Books to be purchased is unknown at this time but will be available to report in the Annual Report.

Activity 4: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Title: Physical Delivery

Description: Funds will be used to cover the expense of physical delivery of materials between member libraries.

Activity: System Operations (Resource Sharing, Communications, and Delivery)

Title: Office Supplies, Telecommunications, and Financial Audit

Description: These expenses include postage, printing and duplication, and general office supplies in support of CLSA services. Phone/fax, Zoom, IT support, and internet services for general communication of CLSA support services. A financial audit will also occur.

CLSA Budget Inland 2024-2025 \$193,639

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$38,729

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
Executive Director (0.0750 FTE)	\$15,925	
Deputy Director (0.0625 FTE)	\$10,192	
Controller (0.0500 FTE)	\$7,086	
Project Manager (0.0391 FTE)	\$5,526	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$38,729	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$154,910

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Electronic materials	\$133,250	Overdrive, cloudLibrary, Lyrisis, and Hoopla
Intra system loan	\$5,000	Postage and delivery van to support intra system lending
Financial statement audit	\$10,100	Independent audit of financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024
Office supplies	\$2,250	Postage, printing and duplication, general office supplies in support of CLSA services
Telecommunications	\$4,310	Phone/fax, Zoom, IT support, and internet services
Total Services	\$154,910	
Total Baseline	\$154,910	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$193,639	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Electronic materials	\$16,992	cloudLibrary
Total Services	\$16,992	

Southern California Library Cooperative (SCLC): 40 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$361,026

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

The Southern California Library Cooperative will continue its shared system-wide subscription to PressReader, a digital platform which offers online news periodicals to its patrons. CLSA funds will also support physical delivery of materials between members. These services are integral to providing information access and supporting diverse needs across all age groups and backgrounds

SCLC libraries serve as one of the most diverse groups of collective patrons in the country, and SCLC has worked hard to find two systemwide resources to meet the needs of the various communities that make up the region. PressReader and Gale Archives of Sexuality and Gender both offer resources of benefit to a diverse community—news and current events in world languages. PressReader, a digital newspaper and magazine platform, provides access to many world language publications that many member libraries would be unable to access or have the fiscal means to provide. Gale Archives provides articles and research content relevant to LGBTQ+ history, which perspectives are essential to supporting equity and inclusiveness. Both resources fit nicely into many member libraries' DEI initiatives. Additionally, SCLC will utilize rollover funds to provide Resource Sharing (Electronic Resources and Learning Platform) through a population-based disbursement to members.

The Electronic Resources that some members will provide are as follows: cloudLibrary, Hoopla, Kanopy, and Overdrive. These eBook, eAudiobook, and streaming content services will allow members who cannot physically be at the library to still access information, as well as allow those with disabilities to access content in a way that best meets their needs.

The Learning Platforms that some members will provide are as follows: Brainfuse, Coursera, and LinkedIn Learning. These platforms support ongoing educational and career enrichment for the community, for children and adults, providing authoritative information resources for personal enrichment and helping patrons achieve their educational goals.

Community Needs, Aspirations, and Assets Response (Demographics)

SCLC members serve as one of the most diverse groups in the country. Consequently, identifying shared resources benefiting all members is challenging. PressReader provides access to world language publications and Gale Archives provides articles and research content relevant to LGBTQ+ history, supporting equity and inclusiveness. Some members utilize CLSA funds to purchase Hoopla for patrons, which offers content for all ages in several formats (eBook, audiobook, video, music and comics).

Other members utilize CLSA funds to purchase Overdrive and cloudLibrary for patrons. These platforms align with the mobility of library services by providing content to those who lack transportation and cannot access physical library buildings.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Electronic Materials (Resource Sharing)

Title: Electronic Materials

Description: The Southern California Library Cooperative will continue its shared system-wide subscription to PressReader, a digital platform which offers online news periodicals to its patrons, along with the Gale Archives of Sexuality and Gender. Funds will also be disbursed to 30 member libraries to purchase their own subscription of their choosing to either cloudLibrary, Hoopla, Kanopy, or Overdrive. The anticipated total number of eBooks and eAudio Books to be purchased is unknown at this time but will be available to report in the annual report.

Activity: Learning Platforms (Resource sharing)

Title: Learning Platforms

Description: Funds will be disbursed to 10 member libraries to purchase their own subscription of their choosing to either Brainfuse, Coursera, or Linked in Learning.

Activity: Intra System Lending (Delivery)

Title: System-Wide Delivery Service

Description: The system will continue to provide twice weekly physical delivery of materials between all member libraries through a contract courier service.

Activity: System Operations (Resource Sharing, Communications, and Delivery)

Title: Office Supplies, Telecommunications, Internet Services, Phone/Fax, Zoom, and Financial Audit

Description: Funds for internet services used to procure services and items to support the CLSA program for SCLC are being requested. IT support allows SCLC to have the ability to respond when hardware and software programs are not working as intended. Phone is another lifeline for staff that is predominantly remote, as business is conducted using the phone routinely. Office supplies to support the CLSA program are also being requested. Funding for all four of these services is being requested proportionate to the System's size. Additionally, Zoom

services continue to allow for the facilitation of hybrid meetings to ensure that members can meet. Finally, funds are being requested for an annual audit of the System's financial records and practices to ensure compliance with accepted accounting standards.

CLSA Budget SCLC 2024-2025 \$361,026

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$72,204

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
Executive Director (0.136 FTE)	\$28,882	
Deputy Director (0.111 FTE)	\$18,051	
Controller (0.127 FTE)	\$18,051	
Project Manager (0.051 FTE)	\$7,220	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$72,204	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$288,822

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Electronic material	\$224,189	Pressreader
Intra library loan	\$28,137	Third party courier service
Financial statement audit	\$20,565	Independent audit of financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024
Telecommunications	\$15,931	Website maintenance, phone/fax, Zoom, IT support, and internet service
Total Services	\$288,822	
Total expenses: baseline	\$288,822	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$361,026	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024 \$497,395

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Electronic materials	\$445,532	Pressreader and Gale Archives
Intra library loan	\$41,863	Third party courier service
Office supplies	\$10,000	Postage, printing and duplication, general office supplies in support of CLSA services
Total Services	\$497,395	

Baseline Funds 2022-2023 \$374,217

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Electronic materials	\$301,577	Coursera, Brainfuse, and LinkedIn Learning
Learning platforms	\$64,196	Overdrive, Pressreader, Hoopla, Kanopy, and Cloud Library
Telecommunication	\$8,444	Website maintenance, phone/fax, Zoom, IT support, and internet service
Total Services	\$374,217	

Santiago Library System: 11 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$114,339

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

Santiago Library System will continue to utilize CLSA funds to provide Electronic Resources (Overdrive, cloudLibrary, and Hoopla) and Library Broadband to its communities. These services are all internet-based, allowing patrons to utilize services both onsite at libraries, and from any location, thus expanding their ability to provide increased services and resources to their respective communities.

Santiago members continue to use CLSA funds to provide Electronic Resources and Library Broadband to their communities. Seven member libraries have allocated funds to purchase eBooks and eAudiobooks for their collections. Two libraries have opted to allocate funds to enhance their cloudLibrary's digital library collections. One library has opted to utilize their CLSA funds to offer Hoopla to its patrons to provide audiobooks, eBooks, comics, movies, TV, magazines, and music to their patrons. One member library is allocating funds to Library Broadband to offset service fees and ensure access to high-speed connections. Funds will be distributed to individual member libraries using a population-based formula, with each member offering a full resource sharing model for patrons. All libraries are participating in a service with the following breakdown:

Electronic Resources:

- Overdrive: Buena Park Library District, Fullerton Public Library, Huntington Beach Public Library, Mission Viejo Library, Newport Beach Public Library, Santa Ana Public Library, Yorba Linda Public Library
- cloudLibrary: Anaheim Public Library, Orange Public Library
- Hoopla: Placentia Library District Library Broadband:
- Orange County Public Libraries

Santiago Library System is committed to having accessible resources, services, and programs. Providing Electronic Resources offers their communities access to more

diverse and inclusive materials that cater to different learning styles and engages a broader community. With regards to providing Library Broadband, many people in Orange County do not have high speed internet at home and use the library for this vital service.

Community Needs, Aspirations, and Assets Response (Demographics)

The Santiago Library System (Santiago) is a diverse system, with a mix of urban, suburban, and rural systems.

Many of Santiago's library systems have a high-use digital services population making eBooks very popular. Being able to meet the community's literacy, leisure, and educational reading needs is of utmost importance. These resources provide patrons with vision difficulties the ability to continue reading by simply changing font sizes to meet their visual needs. According to the US Census Bureau, 47% of residents in Orange County speak a language other than English, which is slightly higher than the statewide rate. Some electronic resources, such as Overdrive Magazines, make content available in many languages that some libraries do not actively collect. This product allows member libraries to expand library offerings to language learning communities. With regards to providing Library Broadband, many people in Orange County do not have high speed internet at home and use the library for this vital service.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Electronic Materials (Resource Sharing)

Title: Overdrive, cloudLibrary, and Hoopla

Description: Seven member libraries have allocated funds to purchase eBooks and eAudiobooks for their collections. Two libraries have opted to allocate funds to enhance their cloudLibrary's digital library collections. One library has opted to utilize their CLSA funds to offer Hoopla to its patrons to provide audiobooks, eBooks, comics, movies, TV, magazines, and music to their patrons. The total number of eBooks and Audiobooks purchased will be provided in the Annual Report.

Activity: Library Broadband (Communications and Delivery)

Title: Library Broadband

Description: One member library is allocating funds to offset service fees and ensure access to high-speed connections.

Activity: System Operations (Resource Sharing, Communications, and Delivery)

Title: Internet Services, IT Support, Phone/Fax, Office Supplies, Zoom, and Audit

Description (90-160 words): Funds for internet services used to procure services and items to support the CLSA program for Santiago are being requested. IT support allows Santiago's administrative/fiscal agent to have the ability to respond when hardware and software programs are not working as intended. Phone is another lifeline for staff that is predominantly remote, as business is conducted using the phone routinely. Office supplies to support the CLSA program are also being requested. Funding for all four of these services is being requested proportionate to the System's size. Additionally, zoom services continue to allow for the facilitation of hybrid meetings to ensure that members can meet. Finally, funds are being requested for an annual audit of the System's financial records and practices to ensure compliance with accepted accounting standards.

CLSA Budget Santiago 2024-2025 \$114,339

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$22,867

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
Executive Director (0.0625 FTE)	\$13,270	
Deputy Director (0.0313 FTE)	\$5,096	
Controller (0.0188 FTE)	\$2,657	
Project Manager (0.0131 FTE)	\$1,844	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$22,867	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$91,472

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Electronic materials	\$38,923	Overdrive, Cloud Library, and Hoopla
Library broadband	\$42,995	High speed broadband
Financial statement audit	\$6,050	Independent audit of financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024
Telecommunication	\$2,670	Phone/fax, Zoom, IT support, and internet services
Office supplies	\$834	Postage, printing and duplication, general office supplies in support of CLSA services
Total Services	\$91,472	
Total expenses: baseline	\$91,472	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$114,339	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024 \$

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Financial statement audit	\$575	Independent audit of financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024.
Office supplies	\$466	Postage, printing and duplication, general office supplies in support of CLSA services
Total Services	\$1,041	

Serra Library System: 13 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$137,559

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

Serra will continue implementing the LINK+ interlibrary loan (ILL) service, which is a combined catalog of books from participating public and academic libraries throughout California and Nevada. The service will provide requested physical materials for any member of the public, especially those in underserved communities, which would not otherwise be available within the member libraries collections. Providing equitable access to resources continues to be a top priority for Serra members. The size and budgets of many of these libraries are small, and these limited collections are often challenged to meet the demands of the communities. LINK+ has taken over the role of ILL in that it gives patrons an avenue to obtain material outside of their community library for free without having to travel to another location to obtain the material.

(Demographics)

The Serra Cooperative Library System (Serra) is a geographically diverse system, with a mix of urban, suburban, and rural systems. Serra remains committed to providing a variety of culturally diverse resources offered in a manner that is as efficient and equitable as possible.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Inter Library Loan (Delivery)

Title: LINK+ Subscription

Description: Serra will continue its participation in the LINK+ inter library loan service with libraries across California. The CLSA funds will help cover the annual cost of the subscription to LINK+ combined catalog of books from participating public and academic libraries throughout California and Nevada.

CLSA Budget SERRA 2024-2025 \$137,559

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$27,512

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
Executive Director (0.075 FTE)	\$15,924	
Deputy Director (0.025 FTE)	\$4,077	
Controller (0.034 FTE)	\$4,860	
Project Manager (0.019 FTE)	\$2,651	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$27,512	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$110,047

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Inter Library Loan	\$6,109	Innovative (link+)
Inter Library Loan	\$103,938	Unity Courier Services (Link+)
Total Services	\$110,047	
Total expenses: baseline	\$110,047	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$137,559	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024 \$56,771

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Inter Library Loan	\$56,771	Innovative
Total Services	\$56,771	

49-99 Cooperative Library System: 6 Members

Total CLSA Budget: \$77,810

Project Information (What you will do; How you will do it; What you aim to achieve; Why; and, For whom)

The 49-99 Cooperative Library System (49-99) will continue its participation in the LINK+ interlibrary loan service, which is a combined catalog of books from participating public and academic libraries throughout California and Nevada. The service will provide requested physical materials for any member of the public, especially those in underserved communities, which would not otherwise be available within the member libraries collections.

49-99 will continue its participation in the LINK+ interlibrary loan (ILL) service, which is a combined catalog of books from participating public and academic libraries throughout California and Nevada. The service will provide requested physical materials for any member of the public, especially those in underserved communities, which would not otherwise be available within the member libraries collections. demands of the communities. LINK+ has taken over the role of ILL in that it gives patrons an avenue to obtain material outside of their community library for free without having to travel to another location to obtain the material. While 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 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+ remains crucial for the cooperative's communities and statistically, continue to be the best investment for their communities

(Demographics)

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.

Activities (Describe the activities you will support with your California Library Services Act funds)

Activity: Inter Library Loan (Delivery)

Title: LINK+ Subscription

Description: The Cooperative will continue its participation in the LINK+ inter library loan service with libraries across California. The CLSA funds will help cover the annual cost of the subscriptions to LINK+ combined catalog of books from participating public and academic libraries throughout California and Nevada.

CLSA Budget 49-99 2024-2025 \$77,810

Salaries/Wages: System Administration 2024-2025 \$15,562

Position Title and FTE (Activities contributing to activities described in the Plan of Service only.)	CLSA Funds	
Executive Director (0.0375 FTE)	\$7,962	
Deputy Director (0.025 FTE)	\$4,077	
Controller (0.0125 FTE)	\$1,771	
Project Manager (0.0125 FTE)	\$1,752	
Total Salaries/Wages/Benefits	\$15,562	

Baseline Funds 2024-2025 \$62,248

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Inter Library Loan	\$62,248	LINK+
Total Services	\$62,248	
Total expenses: baseline	\$62,248	
Total expenses administration and baseline	\$77,810	

Previous Fiscal Years Funds

Baseline Funds 2023-2024 \$3,077

Services

Services	CLSA Funds	Description
Inter Library Loan	\$3,077	LINK +
Total Services	\$3,077	

2024/25 Population and Membership Figures

SYSTEM/MEMBER	POPULATION
Pacific Library Partnership – 36 Members (BALIS+MOBAC+PLS+SVLS)	7,032,488
<u>BALIS – 11 Members</u>	3,607,470
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>	780,255
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>	741,565
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>	1,903,198
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****407,048**

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**1,479,012**

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**4,527,552**

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 Desert Public Library
Palm Springs Public Library
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 – 11 Members**3,150,835**

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
Santa Ana Public Library
Yorba Linda Public Library

SYSTEM/MEMBERS	POPULATION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LIBRARY COOPERATIVE – 40 Members (MCLS+SSCLS)	10,642,796
<u>MCLS – 36 Members</u>	6,416,666
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>	4,226,130
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)	4,649,813
<u>MVLS – 14 Members</u>	2,708,620
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>	1,193,329
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>	747,864
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 **3,000,647**

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 **3,473,982**

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 **38,364,173**

All System Members: **185***

All System Population: **38,364,173**

Unaffiliated Public Libraries – 6 Libraries **495,728**

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

Jurisdictions that don't have service **16,984**

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

TOTAL STATE POPULATION: 38,876,885

*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 1, 2024

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 Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 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 2024 Meeting Agenda
- Purposes and Priorities of the Library Services and Technology Act
- Report on Local Assistance Awards 2023-2025



**LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT (LSTA)
STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON LIBRARIES**
October 1, 2024, Meeting

AGENDA¹

Agenda Items	Speaker
Convening of the Advisory Council	Greg Lucas
2023-2027 LSTA Five Year Plan	Amanda Gamon
Review of 2024 Grants	Amanda Gamon
Review of 2023 Grants	Amanda Gamon
Program Highlight: 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 is now in the second year of the plan.

The 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 2023-2025
2024-2025*

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.	\$1,300,000
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 design equitable programs and services in collaboration with local communities.	\$369,139
California Library Association	Continuing Education for California Libraries (California Libraries Learn)	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	\$1,300,000



		at all levels to build equity- and community-based programs and services.	
Pacific Library Partnership	Community-Centered Libraries (Equity-based Data-driven Decision Making	Community-Centered Libraries 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.	\$352,857
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.	\$1,289,600
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	\$450,000



		California public library employees to help to improve library services to California's diverse communities.	
Califa	eBooks for All	The project expands the State Library's statewide eBooks and eAudiobooks in California, purchasing new materials, recruiting new libraries to participate and sharing industry expertise and local experiences through an ebook Summit.	\$600,000
COMMUNITY IMPACT			
Los Angeles Public Library	Youth-Empowering Sensory Spaces! (YESS!)	Youth-Empowering Sensory Spaces will create sensory spaces for youth at four Los Angeles Public Library Branches and provide sensory learning programming to individuals with developmental disabilities, learning difficulties, or sensory impairment.	\$100,000
Monrovia Public Library	Makerspace Lab	Monrovia Public Library will provide a makerspace and STEAM kits for children to help build communication, creativity, and collaboration skills.	\$42,055



Sacramento Public Library	Creating Intermediate-Level Adult New Reader Photo Books for the Statewide Adult New Reader Collection	Sacramento Public Library will produce 60 photo books written by California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) tutors and staff to adult learners and library patrons who have few options for appropriate, interesting, and relevant reading materials.	\$100,000
University of CA, San Francisco	Opioid Crisis Community Archive (OCCA)	UCSF Library and community-based partners will co-design the Opioid Crisis Community Archive (OCCA), the first archive documenting how affected communities and community-based service organizations in Northern California have responded to the opioid crisis.	\$99,965
PLAY FOR ALL			
Butte County Library	Sure Start Family Playtime	Butte County Library's Sure Start Family Playtime aims to reach underserved communities in low-income and rural pockets of Butte County, while expanding existing Playtime programs. This project will support marginalized families with kids 0-8 experiencing isolation by providing opportunities for safe, meaningful connection and play.	\$75,000
City of Escondido	Escondido Library Little Explorers Safari	The Little Explorers Safari project will transform the library's preschool area into a vibrant, interactive learning environment for children aged 0-6, and enhance play experiences in children's	\$19,710



		storytime programs. This project aims to create a memorable and engaging play space for low-income, minority families and caregivers.	
County of Imperial Free Library	Libraries on the Spectrum Inclusion Project	Imperial County Free Library will expand partnerships with local community-based organizations to better serve families with a wide range of disabilities in Imperial County. Activities encourage inclusivity, advocacy, and social engagement learning opportunities for participating families, including both children with special needs and neuro-typical children.	\$73,296
Fresno County Public Library	Betty Rodriguez Regional Library Play & Grow Center	Fresno County Public Library's Betty Rodriguez Regional Library will work with community partners to co-design welcoming family spaces and provide programs and services to support early learning and literacy for children and their caregivers.	\$51,524
Oceanside Public Library	Empowering Communities Through Play	The Empowering Communities Through Play project supports established services and expands the innovative Early Learning Hub. The library and community will co-design play spaces and new programs for underserved community groups such as neurodiverse, homeschool, and ESL families, informal caregivers, and local preschools and	\$47,499



		daycares to encourage play based learning and create communities of support.	
Paso Robles Library Foundation	Paso Robles Play for All @ Your Library	Paso Robles Library will create a vibrant space for interactive learning experiences to enhance children's cognitive, social, and emotional skills through play. Their outreach vehicle will also be deployed to bring educational toys and programming to low-income housing apartments and pre-school daycares.	\$75,000
San José Public Library Foundation	Equity Play Grant: Bridging Gaps in Access to Quality Play Spaces for Marginalized Young Children in San Jose	San José Public Library will enhance family play spaces and programs for marginalized children across 25 branches. The library, community, and child development professionals will co-design programs and play collections prioritizing accessibility and developmental needs.	\$74,910
Santa Fe Springs City Library	Pop Up & Play	Santa Fe Springs City Library will work with the school district, families, and childhood-development organizations to develop play-based learning spaces, and programming for children that face barriers in accessing quality play spaces.	\$23,065
TEENS SUCCEED			
South San Francisco Public Library	Internship Opportunities-Where Libraries Support Teen Success	South San Francisco Public Library, in collaboration with community groups, will implement a work experience program for 15 high school teens to plan and execute	\$47,603



		<p>engaging activities for elementary students in an out-of-school-time program. As part of the internship teens will receive training in social-emotional competencies and workforce development skills.</p>	
Lambda Archives of San Diego	LGBTQ+ Teen Citizen Historian Internships	<p>Lambda Archives will provide an internship for ten LGBTQ+ teens. Interns will receive hard and soft skills training and develop oral history projects using the library's resources and collections.</p>	\$75,000
City of Lincoln	Lincoln Public Library Teen Internship Program	<p>Lincoln Public Library will work with local youth, educators, families, and employers to develop an internship program that is responsive to the needs of youth and builds skills for future employment. The project will employ four to six interns who will receive training in library operations and develop and implement interactive programs for the community.</p>	\$54,355
Mission Viejo Library	Mission Viejo Library Teen Internship Initiative	<p>Mission Viejo Library's Teen Internship Initiative will enhance social-emotional development and workplace readiness among teenagers through paid library internships. Interns will receive training, mentorship, and engage in various tasks such as programming and collection development to improve their skills and confidence for future employment.</p>	\$59,263



County of Los Angeles Public Library	Teens Succeed	LA County Library will create teen internship opportunities for 14 interns. Interns will be trained on workplace readiness, social-emotional skills building, and have a chance to work collaboratively with library staff on a capstone project at their library location.	\$75,000
Oceanside Public Library	Teens Work	Oceanside Public Library will hire nine interns to co-design new teen programming focused on elevating the visibility and significance of teen perspectives. Interns will receive mentoring and training for leadership and career development. This project will build upon the successful Shared Vision and Stronger Together grant opportunities by developing a social justice module to add to existing teen internship curriculum.	\$70,555
EBOOKS FOR ALL			
Butte County Library	Butte County Library eBooks for All	Butte County Library will purchase a variety of electronic materials to reflect the interests of their diverse community.	\$60,000
City of Huntington Beach	Out of Sight, But Never Out of Mind: Cultural Heritage eBooks for Huntington Beach	Huntington Beach Public Library will develop four eBook collections. These collections will contain titles that relate to both local and national cultural heritage observances.	\$8,000



Inglewood Public Library	Empowered to Learn with eBooks	Inglewood Public Library will focus on obtaining eBooks which focus on language learning, technology, and financial empowerment because these are topics for which the community has expressed a need.	\$50,000
Oakland Public Library	Oakland eBooks for All, 2024-25	Oakland Public Library eBooks and eAudiobooks selectors with expertise in African American, Latinx, and LGBTQIA+ collections will purchase materials that reflect and celebrate these communities.	\$20,000
Riverside County Library System	eBooks for All	Riverside County Library aims to expand their digital collection and bridge the digital divide through training staff and creating a marketing strategy for promoting the eBooks offerings funded by the grant.	\$20,000
Santa Fe Springs City Library	eBooks for All	Santa Fe Springs City Library will join forces with neighboring California library institutions to create a collection of open-access titles on the Palace App.	\$12,000
Sonoma County Library	SCL eAudiobooks for All Project	Sonoma County Library will purchase a diverse collection of eAudiobook titles which will support the goals of including greater access to information, increasing collection diversity, and providing more listening materials for the community to explore.	\$20,000



Stanislaus County	eBooks for All	Stanislaus County has over 1,700 patrons already utilizing the Palace App. They will work to increase this reach by providing more eBooks for their community.	\$60,000
Ventura County Library	eBooks 4 All	Ventura County Library will procure eBooks in both Spanish and English to cater to the diverse linguistic needs of their community. Their goal is to strengthen equitable resource-sharing and access to information.	\$500
SUSTAINABLE CALIFORNIA LIBRARIES			
Belvedere Tiburon Library	Planting SEEDs 2.0 (Supporting Environmental Education and Direction)	The Belvedere Tiburon Library will continue its pursuit of a Sustainable Libraries Certification and educate community members about the benefits to the environment that can be achieved through basic changes in the ways energy and resources are used.	\$72,400
City of Monrovia - Monrovia Public Library	Renewable Monrovia	Monrovia Public Library will present a series of sustainability workshops and programs to provide sustainable education to underserved populations. Along with the workshops, the library will also provide sustainability kits for check out that support the programming.	\$23,381
Inyo County Free Library	Inyo County Sustainability Series	Inyo County Free Library will host an Inyo County Sustainability Series. The series will include workshops with	\$37,225



		hands-on activities and facility tours of organizations focused on sustainability. Program topics will include energy conservation, food waste, recycling, and wildlife protection.	
OC Public Libraries	Sharing Resources, Building Community: OC Public libraries programs and collections for a sustainable future.	OC Public Libraries will provide sustainability programming focused on three areas: sustainable gardening, creative reuse to reduce waste, and creating sustainable home efficiency through resource sharing. A lending Library of Things will support the programs.	\$75,000
Oceanside Public Library	Sustainable Oceanside Libraries	Oceanside Public Library will provide professional development support and training to staff focused on sustainable practices. In addition, they will offer hands-on workshops centered on environmentally friendly actions for adults, teens, and families in the community.	\$18,863
Redwood City Public Library	Roots of Change: Creating a Sustainable Future Together	Redwood City Public Library will use tree-themed sustainability programs to connect community members with library resources in an effort to improve long-term environmental and health outcomes in the community. The series will present a variety of sustainability concepts and education for the whole community.	\$75,000
San Mateo County Libraries	Sustainability, Tree Walks, and Urban Gardening	San Mateo County Library will partner with an urban forestry nonprofit to offer bilingual	80,414



	at San Mateo County Libraries	adult education programs centered on tree wellness walks, tree care, and climate justice. The project's goal is to close the "green gap" impacting under-resourced communities.	
Santa Barbara Public Library	Sustainably SBPL	Santa Barbara Public Library will offer programs around a community gardening plot they developed previously and clothing mending. They will build a Library of Things and create programming to provide participants with the opportunity to learn how to use tools in a sustainable way.	\$13,200

**Reviews and funding recommendations for the 2024-2025 Inspiration grant opportunity are in progress. Therefore, award information for this opportunity is not currently available.*



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CAPACITY			
Califa	CA Revealed	California Revealed collaborated with organizations to describe, digitize, and preserve their histories, and make them available online for educational use. The project prioritized under-resourced collections and partnerships with communities underrepresented in the historical narrative. The California Revealed team also focused on accessibility of their website and their digitized content to ensure that all Californians can benefit from their online collections.	\$1,484,475
California Library Association	California Libraries Learn: Continuing Education for California Libraries (CALL)	California Libraries Learn provided continuing education and professional development opportunities for California library workers. The project was designed to increase opportunities for library staff at all levels to build equity- and community-based programs and services. The Catalyst leadership program provided a cohort of librarians with	\$1,295,214



		foundational training on equity-rooted principles and support for community-based project development.	
California Library Association	Building Equity-based Summers in California (BEBS)	The Building Equity Based Summers initiative provided public library staff with skills and support needed to effectively deliver summer services to systemically marginalized communities. These activities advanced the California State Library's goal to empower libraries to design equitable programs and services in collaboration with local communities. This project included the First Partner's Summer Book Club, an initiative to reduce summer learning loss, as well as Book-to-Action projects that encouraged participants to engage in community service projects and civic activities related to a shared book.	\$839,375
Pacific Library Partnership	Equity-Based Data-Driven Decision-Making for Community Impact	Through a series of facilitated workshops and trainings, this project helped library workers diversify the types of data they collect, access, and use, and improved 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 strengthened the ability of California's library literacy programs to design equitable programs and services for adults and families in collaboration with local communities. The project included trainings to strengthen adult literacy, ESL, and family literacy programs, as well as a new site visit program that provided in-person support to libraries by experienced literacy professionals.	\$837,476
Pacific Library Partnership	Networking California Library Resources	The Networking California Library Resources project strengthened equitable resource-sharing and access throughout the California library community. The project focused on ensuring equitable access to opportunities for communities who face barriers to library services. Key activities included access to the New York Times online, the Get Involved volunteer engagement program, and an Equity Advisor program to provide support to grantees who delivered equity-focused programs in their communities.	\$1,176,075
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	\$600,000



		<p>process of obtaining an MLIS degree. The program is designed to support the professional development of California public library employees to help to improve library services to California's diverse communities. The project provided tuition reimbursement for 114 students.</p>	
Southern California Library Cooperative	Digital Navigators	<p>A team of Digital Navigators supported 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.</p>	\$500,000
Califa	eBooks for All Californians	<p>The project continued expanding the State Library's statewide eBooks and eAudiobooks in California, purchasing new materials, recruiting new libraries to participate and sharing industry expertise and local experiences through an ebook Summit.</p>	\$1,019,877
Southern California Library Cooperative	EmPOWERing Access: Health, Legal, Education, and Virtual Connection in California Libraries	<p>The project provided support to Californians seeking assistance in both offering access to and the use of online resources through their local library through the purchase of accessible privacy booths, solar</p>	\$503,372



		charging devices, and repair kits for libraries for use by their communities. The project supported the State's Digital Equity Plan by providing supplemental digital inclusion support for public libraries.	
LOCAL AND COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS			
Benicia Public Library	Teens & Tweens OTDL	The project provided underserved teens and tweens with resources and programming during out-of-school hours. The teen and tween participants were involved in the design and development of the programming.	\$75,000
City of Moreno Valley Library Services	MoVal Gamers Lair	The MoVal Gamers Lair project created a technology center in the Moreno Valley Mall Library, providing 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) created residency positions for post-graduate librarians who are Black, Indigenous and/or People of Color (BIPOC). Recruitment carried out by this project followed all applicable California state laws and federal regulations.	\$100,000
Monterey County Free Libraries	A Lot MORE: Materials, Options, and	This project enhanced public library services and options for older adults with sensory,	\$13,664



	Resources for Everyone	cognitive, or learning disabilities.	
Oceanside Public Library	Youth Engagement & Leadership Project	The Youth Engagement & Leadership Project created a new training for teen volunteers centered on social justice.	\$57,556
Redwood City Public Library	Bienvenidos: Interpretes para Actividades Bibliotecarias	This project provided live Spanish language interpretation at English-language library events for adults and families.	\$24,800
San José Public Library	Holistic Library Initiative	The project provided 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 provided programs, collections, science kits, equipment, and two Super STEM Day events at the Library for girls, people from 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 developed a new model for rural libraries that supports libraries' relevance to community needs, resilience to socioeconomic changes, and increased financial stability.	\$65,410
eBooks-For-All			



Beaumont Library District	BLD's Palace Project Grant	Beaumont Library District improved access to eMaterials and eliminated wait times for patrons.	\$28,000
Butte County Library	Butte County eBooks-for-All	Butte County eBooks-for-All offered a larger number and greater variety of electronic titles to more accurately reflect patron interest and the county's 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 developed 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 increased and diversified 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 added eBooks and eAudiobooks to the new statewide collection and made these materials available to patrons throughout California.	\$60,000
Santa Fe Springs City Library	eBooks-For-All	eBooks-For-All readily provided materials that would benefit patrons of a diverse age range from young children to older adults.	\$32,000
Sonoma County Library	SCL eBooks-for-All Project	The SCL eBooks-for-All Project provided a broadly diverse collection of eBooks and eAudiobook titles, and offered greater access to information, increased	\$40,000



		collection diversity, and provided more reading and listening materials for the community.	
Stanislaus County Free Library	eBooks-for-All 23-24	eBooks-for-All 23-24 utilized the Palace platform to combine eBook applications and provide one place for readers to access digital content.	\$80,000
Sutter County Library	Developing Digital Collections	Developing Digital Collections expanded 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 educated the public on environmental sustainability, urban gardening and conservation techniques.	\$30,000
Azusa City Library	Retracing Azusa's Past	Revisiting Azusa's Past offered programming and gardening workshops that highlighted 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 expanded 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 created community resources in	\$29,850



		English and Spanish that improve household nutrition through home and community gardens.	
Burlingame Public Library	Sustainable Living with BPL	The Sustainable Living with BPL project worked in collaboration with local 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.	\$10,000
Cerritos Library	Planted: Cerritos Seed Library	Planted: Cerritos Seed Library provided 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! planted 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.	\$29,909
City of South Pasadena (South Pasadena Public Library)	Sowing South Pasadena	The Sowing South Pasadena project cultivated sustainability through a dynamic blend of a new seed library, a series of sustainability lectures, and a repair café, fostering a	\$22,470



		resilient and interconnected community.	
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, delivered sustainability programming including sustainability fairs, facility tours, and hands-on workshops.	\$27,500
National City Public Library	U-tool-ize, NCPL Tool Library	The NCPL Tool Library (u-Tool-ize) project provided 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
Santa Barbara Public Library	Sustainably Santa Barbara	The Sustainably Santa Barbara project hosted 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 was 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 supported the community in growing their own regionally appropriate food crops through the	\$10,880



		creation of the Shasta Seed Library and a diverse offering of instructional gardening programs.	
Solano County Library	Sustaining Solano	The Sustaining Solano project offered open-air events at partnering open spaces and farms where participants met experts on parks and gardening.	\$28,100
INSPIRATION GRANTS			
Benicia Public Library	We Are ALL Related: Lessons in Human Kindness	Benicia Public Library hosted a series of events focusing on kindness for children and families. The events featured children's book authors who represent the wide diversity of their community, allowing children to see themselves reflected in the pages, helping to foster empathy, understanding, and appreciation for the richness of their community.	\$34,388
City of Chula Vista	Memory Lab	Chula Vista Public Library helped community members of diverse backgrounds and experiences preserve their personal memories and ephemera through access to three local Memory Labs.	\$33,929
County of San Luis Obispo	Library Mixteco Interpretation Services	The County of San Luis Obispo offered interpretation services during programming to the Mixteco-speaking population, enabling community members to better connect with programs and services,	\$19,235



		and library staff to engage with the community.	
Folsom Public Library	Telugu Heritage Project	Folsom Public Library launched a series of programs to introduce and support Telugu culture, enhanced by the first collection of Telugu materials available to Folsom, Sacramento, Colusa, Sutter, and Woodland libraries.	\$10,000
Lodi Public Library Foundation	Teens Helping Teens	The library Teen Advisory Board increased mental health awareness and offered supportive measures for teens by hosting programs, producing a podcast, coordinating monthly workshops, and offering peer support via Teen Mental Health First Aid.	\$9,100
Madera County Library	RCG Program: Reach, Connect, Grow	Madera County Library created activity kits for young adults with disabilities to use while visiting the Library, and purchased Stay Sharp Kits to circulate to seniors. Both sets of kits supported self-directed learning, exploration, and recreation.	\$7,000
Mariposa County Library	Improving Senior Digital Literacy	Mariposa County Library provided training in basic digital literacy skills to seniors in its rural county, to improve access to basic services, county assistance, and emergency and other timely information online.	\$20,663
Mission Viejo Library	Mission Viejo: Our Stories, Our Food	Mission Viejo Library supported the print and	\$30,795



		digital publication of a community cookbook, focusing on a variety of cultural and ethnic backgrounds, providing the community an opportunity to express its diversity through recipes and generational stories.	
Murrieta Public Library (City of Murrieta)	Murrieta Public Library's Library for All	The Murrieta Public Library expanded the Library for All (LFA) program by adding LFA Junior and LFA for Teens to offer programming and services for children and teens with disabilities.	\$20,000
Placentia Library District	Third Grade Civic Center Visits	Placentia Library District's Civic Center Visits brought third-grade students to the civic center for in-depth tours of the library and city hall, and interactions with fire and police department staff.	\$9,856
Santa Clara City Library	Montague Park Project	The Santa Clara City Library provided education-based events at Montague Park that were co-designed by the community and provided opportunities for academic, cultural, nutrition and STEAM education.	\$26,785
Sonoma County Library	Co-Designing Community Connections for Quality of Life	Sonoma County Library developed a series of events that centered around the cultures and wellbeing of its diverse community. Activities focused on furthering individual wellness and community resilience by	\$50,000



		creating common positive experiences around culture.	
Stanislaus County Library	Full STEAM Ahead in Stanislaus Couty	Stanislaus County Library created STEAM programs and expanded its STEAM collections to community members of all ages.	\$78,742
Yorba Linda Public Library	Create! Interactive Programs for the Developmentally Disabled	Yorba Linda Public Library created a series of programs and supplemental services to assist library users experiencing developmental disabilities, with the goal of fostering a culture of inclusion and belonging, increasing confidence and happiness, and building community.	\$21,000



2023-2024 LSTA PROJECT SUCCESS STORIES

Some highlights from the 2023-2024 fiscal year include:

Pacific Library Partnership – Literacy Initiatives

As part of their LSTA-funded partner project “Literacy Initiatives,” Pacific Library Partnership supported 13 adult literacy and ESL learner-led events, including workshops, author presentations, book clubs, and literature discussions in California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) programs throughout the state. By supporting events that were organized and led by learners, the project helped learner leaders build planning and community engagement experience.

The project also helped adult learners develop their literacy skills and apply their own knowledge to library programs. As one participant wrote, “This program allows learners to demonstrate strengths, build self-confidence, build community, [and] encourage participation.” Other learners reported: “I learned to do something I had never tried before;” “I feel very safe learning and I was able to participate with confidence;” and “I love the program. It helps me to read better.”

In Nevada County, two dynamic ESL learners helped plan an event where learners and their families could practice their English skills through real-life scenarios in a fun and supportive environment. Partners Family Resource Center, a community partner under the superintendent of schools and funded by First 5 California, was on site to answer any questions and to provide referrals to community services. All participants were engaged in the learning opportunity. As one ESL learner wrote, she enjoyed the “openness to learning, the friendliness, and clarity (of the event). Totally grateful and satisfied. Today I learned more English.”

Of the 23 learners who presented programs, 15 (65 percent) were graduates of the Adult Learner Leadership Institute. The Institute is a longstanding Literacy Initiatives activity that helps adult learners develop leadership skills.

Murrieta Public Library - Library for All

The Library for All initiative created a fun and inclusive learning environment for adults and older teens with disabilities and their families and caregivers. The library offered monthly activities, and each month they featured a unique theme and a diverse range of engaging crafts, STEAM activities, movie days, and more. With LSTA-funded grant support, Murietta expanded the program to include Library for All Junior (LFA Jr.), targeting children and teens from PreK through 12th grade.



The library showcased the Library for All initiative at the American Library Association Conference in San Diego. By sharing insights and program ideas, staff helped raise awareness and inspired other libraries to develop similarly inclusive environments that enrich lives and enhance community connections for individuals with disabilities.

Chula Vista Public Library – Growing a Seed Storywalk

As part of the LSTA-funded Sustainable California Libraries program, the Chula Vista Library presented a program called Growing a Seed Storywalk. Families of all ages gathered in a local park to explore the wonders of gardening through literature and hands-on activities. The program features readings of two gardening-themed books, chosen to captivate both young and older listeners. Following the stories, families participated in a Storywalk, where they interacted with Christie Matheson's "Plant the Tiny Seed" book, an immersive experience that encourages children to participate in the life cycle of a seed. The event culminated in an activity where participants crafted seed mosaics. This intergenerational program not only fostered a love of reading and nature but also sought to strengthen family bonds and familiarize attendees with the local parks, and enhance both literacy and community engagement.

Sustainable California Libraries

Sustainable California Libraries projects are Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funded. They meet Goal 4 of the California LSTA Investment Plan 2023–2027: Strengthen equitable resource-sharing and access to information, services, and **opportunity** with an emphasis on **local community strengths and challenges**.

Projects bring climate and sustainability programming to communities across California. 14 projects in 2023-2024.

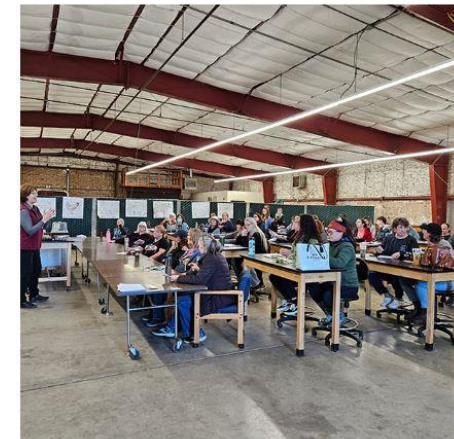
220+
public programs delivered



8,800+
community members attended programs



35+
new or stronger community partnerships and connections



ZERO-WASTE SOUP
with the Zero-Waste Chef
on Induction Cooktops

For All

Saturday, Jan 13, 2024
2:00 PM
Lane Room

Register to receive reminders!
Burlingame Public Library, 480 Primrose Road, Burlingame CA 94010

Anna-Marie Bonness, the Zero-Waste Chef and author of "The Zero-Waste Please-Forward Recipes and Tips for a Sustainable Kitchen and Planet: A you how to make delicious soup from what you already have in your pantry. She will also demonstrate how easy it is to use the climate friendly!

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THE DIRT ON COMPOST:
TURN FOOD SCRAPS INTO BLACK GOLD!

With the "Queen of Compost",
Camila Guzman.

SATURDAY, MAY 11
10:30 AM - 12 PM
BLANCHARD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

COMPOST

LEAP LAB
MUSEUM...LIBRARY

Burlingame Public Library

For Adults

Mending Workshop
with RethinkWaste

Saturday
February 24, 2024
11:00 AM-12:30 PM
Lane Room

Sign up to reserve
Learn basic clothing repair this hands-on visible mending workshop. Sewing supplies will be provided, but we encourage you to bring your own if you have tools or fabrics you'd like to use. Come with an item of clothing that has a hole or tear and be ready to actively participate!

REUSE
REPAIR
UPCYCLE

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**GREENING SOUTH PASADENA:
UNVEILING THE HEALING POWERS
OF NATIVE FLORA AND FAUNA
WITH MATTHEW TEUTIMEZ**

Matthew Teutimez, Elder of the Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation, serves as the Tribal Biologist and Director of Resources for the Tribe. Join him for a discussion on the utilization of food, medicine, and renewable products to support present and future generations in the Los Angeles Basin.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16TH
7:00 PM
LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
1115 EL CENTRO ST.

FOSSIL FUELS AND THE CLIMATE CRISIS WITH DR. JOHN FLEMING

EVERY DEGREE MATTERS.
AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT.
LEARN WHAT STEPS TO TAKE TO HELP COMBAT THIS GLOBAL CRISIS BY PHASING OUT FOSSIL FUELS.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH
7:00 PM
LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
1115 EL CENTRO ST.

SOWING SOUTH PASADENA
PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY

this week!

Pollinator Storytime
Otay Ranch Library
The Hub
03/19 @ 10 am

South Chula Vista Library
03/20 @ 11:15 am

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Mono County 2024 SUSTAINABILITY SERIES

Workshop: Reducing Exposure to Wildfire Smoke

Learn how to mitigate your exposure when air quality drops with simple steps, including where to find information and how best to utilize available data.

Wednesday, May 29
6:00pm - 7:00pm
at the Mammoth Library

Free and open to all! Learn more at [HighSierraEnergy.org](https://www.HighSierraEnergy.org)

Brought to you by Mono County Free Library & High Sierra Energy Foundation.

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Grow!
Chula Vista

CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY

CHULA VISTA LIBRARY

MUSEUM...LIBRARY

RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT



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Quotes from 2023-2024 projects:

- I want to be healthier and happier and how amazing that the library offers this opportunity to help me get there for free!
- An ongoing project that I can come back to and feel connected to my library and community.

Moving into year three in 2024-2025.
8 projects total, average just under \$49,500 each, versus 2023-2024 average of about \$22,000 each.

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