

LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT (LSTA)

Project Team Self-Assessment: Establishing a Baseline Report Questions and Instructions Goal One Projects

INSTRUCTIONS

Your project aligns with Goal 1 of the State Library's Five-Year Plan for Grantmaking, which is to strengthen the ability of California libraries to design equitable programs and services in collaboration with their local communities. Your project team will use the following self-assessment tool throughout the grant period to measure your progress.

At your first community of practice session, you will have the opportunity to ask questions about and receive guidance in completing this self-assessment. The project support team assigned to your project is available to provide support to you throughout the grant period. You will complete this self-assessment three times: (1) after your first community of practice meeting, (2) as part of your midyear report, and (3) as part of your final reporting. It is designed to help you and the State Library measure your progress.

This document is provided for reference purposes only. All reports must be completed and submitted in the State Library's online grants management system, Zengine. Once you have completed your report in Zengine, please click the blue "mark complete" button. Once you have completed the accompanying financial report, click the green "submit" button.

Further Assistance

Consult your project support team while you complete your reports.

If you need additional assistance completing this self-assessment or for questions regarding Zengine, please contact your Grant Monitor.

If you are not sure who your Grant Monitor is, please refer to your project's award letter included in your award packet or contact <u>LSTAGrants@library.ca.gov</u>.



Project Abstract

Briefly describe your project. What will you do, with whom, and what will be the result? (90-160 words)

Reflect on Your Progress

Note: for statewide capacity projects, including Literacy Initiatives and Building Equity Based Summers, use the self-assessment tool that starts on page 5.

On a scale of 1 to 7, how would you rate your current state in meeting the standard of each indicator? A lower rating is not assessed negatively. With that in mind, an honest response allows you and the State Library to truly understand your challenges and successes and most accurately chart your progress. If you have previous experience and/or knowledge relating to the current project and progress toward meeting the standard of each indicator, this should be reflected in your self-assessment.

Indicator A: Project team and community members are able to articulate an understanding and common language of equity principles and practices.

Skills areas include: co-design, centering equity in practice, building and expanding partnerships, serving marginalized communities.

- 1 We have not started building skills
- 2 We have started planning in this area of skill building
- 3 We have taken first steps in building skills
- 4 We are continuing to build skills
- 5 We are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors

6 We consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors across multiple areas of the project

7 Our skills and behaviors are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?



- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments

Indicator B: Project team engages in professional development activities that integrate learning with practice, embed co-design, and focus on targeted universalism.

Action areas include: prioritizing equity among training opportunities for project team, providing time for project team to take training, supporting project team in implementing what they learned.

1 We have not started professional development in these areas

2 We have started planning professional development in these areas

3 We have started professional development in these areas

4 We are continuing professional development in these areas

5 We are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors learned in professional development in these areas

6 We consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors learned in professional development across multiple areas of the project

7 Our skills and behaviors learned are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments



Indicator C: Project team engages in new or expanded partnerships and collaborations with community stakeholders and groups from targeted populations.

Skills areas include: co-design, centering equity in practice, building and expanding partnerships, serving marginalized communities.

1 We have not started building skills

2 We have started planning in this area of skill building

3 We have taken first steps in building skills

4 We are continuing to build skills

5 We are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors

6 We consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors across multiple areas of the project

7 Our skills and behaviors are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

Please reflect on your rating. While reflecting, consider the following:

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments

Indicator D: Project team removes barriers to service to marginalized populations.

Skills areas include: co-design, centering equity in practice, building and expanding partnerships, serving marginalized communities.

- 1 We have not started building skills
- 2 We have started planning in this area of skill building



3 We have taken first steps in building skills

4 We are continuing to build skills

5 We are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors

6 We consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors across multiple areas of the project

7 Our skills and behaviors are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

Please reflect on your rating. While reflecting, consider the following:

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments

Reflect on Your Progress (Statewide Capacity Projects)

On a scale of 1 to 7, how would you rate your current state in meeting the standard of each indicator? A lower rating is not assessed negatively. With that in mind, an honest response allows you and the State Library to truly understand your challenges and successes and most accurately chart your progress. If you have previous experience and/or knowledge relating to the current project and progress toward meeting the standard of each indicator, this should be reflected in your self-assessment.

Indicator A: Library workers and community members are able to articulate an understanding and common language of equity principles and practices.

Skills areas include: co-design, centering equity in practice, building and expanding partnerships, serving marginalized communities.

- 1 We have not started building skills
- 2 We have started planning in this area of skill building



3 Library workers have taken first steps in building skills

4 Library workers are continuing to build skills

5 Library workers are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors

6 Library workers consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors across multiple areas of the project

7 Library workers' skills and behaviors are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

Please reflect on your rating. While reflecting, consider the following:

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments

Indicator B: Library workers engage in professional development activities that integrate learning with practice, embed co-design, and focus on targeted universalism.

Action areas include: prioritizing equity among training opportunities for project team, providing time for project team to take training, supporting project team in implementing what they learned.

1 We have not started offering professional development in these areas

2 We have started planning professional development in these areas

3 Library workers have started professional development in these areas

4 Library workers are continuing professional development in these areas

5 Library workers are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors learned in professional development in these areas

6 Library workers consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors learned in professional development across multiple areas of the project



7 Library workers' skills and behaviors learned are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

Please reflect on your rating. While reflecting, consider the following:

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments

Indicator C: Library workers engage in new or expanded partnerships and collaborations with community stakeholders and groups from targeted populations.

Skills areas include: co-design, centering equity in practice, building and expanding partnerships, serving marginalized communities.

- 1 We have not started building skills
- 2 We have started planning in this area of skill building
- 3 Library workers have taken first steps in building skills
- 4 Library workers are continuing to build skills
- 5 Library workers are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors

6 Library workers consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors across multiple areas of the project

7 Library workers' skills and behaviors are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?



• Other comments

Indicator D: Project team removes barriers to service to marginalized populations.

Skills areas include: co-design, centering equity in practice, building and expanding partnerships, serving marginalized communities.

1 We have not started building skills

2 We have started planning in this area of skill building

3 Library workers have taken first steps in building skills

4 Library workers are continuing to build skills

5 Library workers are beginning to demonstrate skills and behaviors

6 Library workers consistently demonstrate skills and behaviors across multiple areas of the project

7 Library workers' skills and behaviors are expanding beyond the project to other projects and other parts of the library

- What do you see as barriers?
- What do you see as successes?
- What would you like to do differently?
- What do you want to learn?
- What help do you need?
- Other comments