



STATE LIBRARY DIVISION

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State Librarian Report to the Wyoming Library Association

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The State Library is involved with and regularly responding to several government efficiency projects and working groups. Additionally, we are actively preparing to welcome new Executive Branch Administrators in January. It is unclear how this work and these changes will ultimately impact the State Library, but we do know that transitions breed both opportunity and danger. We remain mindful, yet optimistic.

Budget News:

The Wyoming State Library took an \$87,808 cut to the services, programs, and contracts lines in our State General Fund budget for the 19/20 Biennium. This cut reduces funding to these areas by a total of \$580,000 from the 15/16 Biennium.

The WSL Shared Purchases Committee cut \$154,000 in statewide GoWYLD.net resources for FY19. The University of Wyoming Libraries picked up all cancelled resources. Thank you UW!

President Trump's 2019 Budget recommendation again eliminates all funding for the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The American Library Association, Wyoming Library Association, Chief Officers of State Library Agencies, and other organizations are closely monitoring this situation. The Wyoming Library Community may be asked to participate in communication and lobbying activities later this year.

State Library priorities remain the same:

1. **Shared library infrastructure** including the statewide Integrated Library System, interlibrary loan software, and electronic resources platforms (Cloud Library and RB Digital).
2. State Library **staff**
3. State Library programs and projects **required by statute**
4. Statewide library databases/resources and State Library programs, projects, and collections that are not required by statute

FY18 Project updates

The Wyoming State Library circulated 272,564 e-books, e-audiobooks, and e-magazines through statewide licensed products found on the GoWYLD.net library resource portal.

The WYLD Network of Libraries facilitated 4,321,822 library transactions in 106 public, academic, school, and special library outlets using the statewide integrated library system managed by the Wyoming State Library.

WSL coordinated 68 training sessions with more than 1,484 library workers, state employees, teachers, and Wyoming residents. Archived training videos were accessed 10,268 times and watched for more than 52,100 minutes.

The Marketing and Publications office introduced monthly mini-marketing kits to make it easy for local libraries to promote specific GoWYLD resources. Materials include pre-written emails to share, graphics, and additional resources for librarians.

Center for the Book projects promoted books and reading. These included the Letters About Literature student writing contest and the WSL's staffing of Wyoming's booth at the National Book Festival in Washington DC. The Wyoming Authors Wiki was retired.

The integrated library system was successfully migrated from locally hosted servers to a cloud based solution with the library vendor SirsiDynix. Services to libraries were expanded to include standardized text messaging for library notices, integration of readers' advisory software in library catalogs, visibility of library data in search engine results, and new business intelligence reporting software.

The Wyoming State Library migrated the Wyoming Places Digital Collection into Knowvation, a GIS enabled database platform; 3,051 place records were transferred along with 1,206 historic maps, 133 land patent records, 109 decision card files, and 3,600 photographs. Additionally, WSL added 13,801 records to the Digital Collection Suite, bringing the total number of records to 930,389. This count includes 2,654 newly added orders from the Public Service Commission.

Wyoming State Library acquired a new UScan+ HD microform scanner and Zeutschel zeta book scanner. These new machines will allow for faster and easier digitization of materials for the Digital Collection Suite.

The State Library's Central Acquisitions Program (CACQ) is currently managing more than 200 individual funds with over \$1.4 million in annual purchases. Discounts vary but average around 40% for most items.

WSL staff represent the Wyoming State Library on the Governor's Council on Wyoming Women's Suffrage Celebration; the Wyoming State Historical Records Advisory Board ; the Wyoming Department of Education's Open Range Design Team that will launch the Open Range Wyoming platform on August 1 (a dynamic repository of Wyoming and global Open Educational Resources for the use of Wyoming educators); and the Digital Learning Advisory Panel, which recently reviewed the latest draft of the 2018 Digital Learning Plan that the WDE is preparing for the Wyoming Legislature.