

# Getting the Story Out: State Perspectives





# **Overview**

Share successful ways of showing impact of LSTA funds.

# Participants:

- Mary Rayme, MD
- Rob Favini, MA
- Evan Struble, OH
- Susan Mark, WY





Mary Rayme, LSTA Coordinator

# **Maryland State Library Agency**

- Separated from state board of education in 2017
- Very small state agency, we have 11 people in our main office









# **Press List**

Our old media list had a dozen contacts.

The new list has 78!

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# **Press Release**

- Created press release about how ARPA funds were distributed to public library systems in Maryland.
- We started writing it in late August 2021 and released it in mid-October.

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NEWS RELEASE

For immediate release: October 12, 2021

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American Rescue Plan Funds Enhance Maryland Library Programing, Services and Collections

BALTIMORE, Maryland - The Maryland State Library Agency (MSL) is proud to announce that public library customers will soon benefit from \$3.2 million in special American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from the Maryland State Library Agency provided by the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS). This money will be used to provide enhancements to programming, services and collections across Maryland libraries. In the coming months, customers will start to see the impact of these funds on library services.





# **Birth of the Boilerplate**

"As the state library agency for Maryland, MSLA administers State and Federal funds to support Maryland public libraries in their mission to offer outstanding resources, programs, and excellent customer service. The State Library Resource Center, at the main branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, serves as the official state library. MSL has oversight of the Maryland State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled; Maryland's Public Libraries; the State Library Network; the Library Capital Grants Programs; and the Deaf Culture Digital Library."





# Sent!

 We sent the press release to our media list and we uploaded it on our website as well.

 We also sent the press release to Madison, our program officer at IMLS.





# Thanks!

**Questions?** 

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# **Telling the LSTA Story**



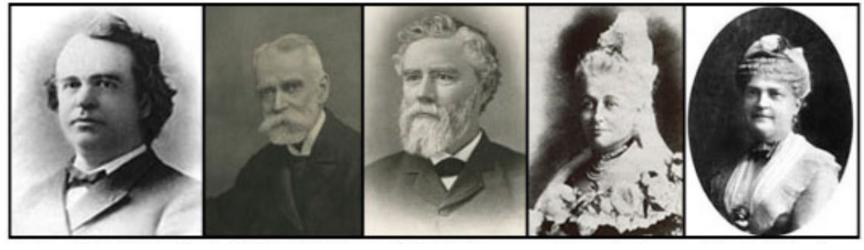


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# **MBLC History**



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# The LSTA Story is the Library Story





# Who We Tell The Story To





















A Voice

Massachusetts

# **How We Tell the Story**





Legislative Agenda FY2023

# Massachusetts Libraries: **Getting it Done**

No matter where you live or where you're from, how much you earn, what your ability or age, how you identify, or who you love, Massachusetts libraries are in your corner. Effective and efficient, we've leveraged pandemic-related funding to tackle some of the challenges facing the Commonwealth, and we're not done yet. Increased funding to State Aid to Public Libraries (7000-9401) will help us keep going.





### **Addressing Mental Health**

We've trained public and school librarians in teen mental health so they recognize warning signs in teens and refer them to the help they need. Libraries are piloting programs that put social workers in libraries; others are training librarians in working with people experiencing homelessness.



## Internet and Technology for Everyone

We've distributed thousands of hotspots to communities across the Commonwealth, narrowing the digital divide and increasing access to job information, telehealth, e-government, and schoolwork. Librarians continue to teach technology skills to all ages.



#### **Back to Work**

Libraries are holding resume writing and job-hunting workshops to teach people the ins-and outs of applying for a job. They're offering English language and literacy programs and librarians are teaching computer and internet skills so people can get back to work in a job they want and that will support them.



## Meaningful Inclusion

Libraries are offering innovative learning opportunities like Brockton Public Library's new culturally based ELL and citizenship curriculum; Longmeadow's Storrs Library's Hidden Voices of History series featuring stories that dominant historical narratives have neglected; and a recent statewide Watch Party and Conversation with over 400 people talking about social hierarchies, race, ethnicity and the roots



## Learning Year-round

With more than 400,000 participants, summer library programs stop the summer learning slide and build slills needed for the upcoming school year. The National Women's Hockey League champions, Boston Pride, Joined the Boston Bruins and First Lady of the Commonwealth Lauren Baker for our library program. Kids read more than 5 million minutes this summer.



## Food Insecurity

In communities with high food insecurity or limited access to healthy food, libraries are providing information about local sources and are coordinating with local organizations to offer programs that teach residents about healthy eating, wellness, and how to feed families with available resources. During the summer, many libraries collaborate with Project Bread to be lunch sites.





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# Massachusetts Library System (MLS) 7000-9401



MLS provides services to member libraries, often at no direct cost to the library or library users, to promote equitable access to excellent library services and resources for all who live, work, or study in Massachusetts.



- Share resources: books, magazines, videos and more from around the state and world to our local libraries. Even when physical buildings were closed to the public, we moved millions of items across the Commonwealth ensuring access to information.
- Help libraries become future ready: we offer hundreds of training sessions and hours
  of consulting services, as well as lead special initiatives and programs to help libraries tackle big
  challenges, like the "Summer slide" that affects students during the summer months between school
  and workforce development, a critical component of the pandemic recovery.
- Provide 24/7 access to Digital Resource: Partnering with the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, we provide a suite of databases and eContent. Our Commonwealth eBook Collection offers over 50% more titles than in 2020, to help support the over 500 school libraries that participate in this program.

# The LSTA Story

# LSTA & Federal Funding in Massachusetts Libraries

## Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)

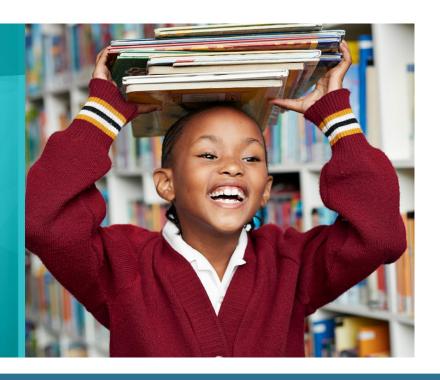
Whether it's developing STEAM programming, help for entrepreneurs and small businesses, creating a Maker Space, or finding innovative ways to meet residents' needs, the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners' (MBLO) direct grant program is helping local libraries. Using federal LSTA from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the MBLC develops grant opportunities for public, school, academic, and special libraries that go beyond what local funding can do.

# American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) & Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)

The MBLC is targeting ARPA and CARES Act funding to programs and initiatives that support education, access, and equity such as a statewide hotspot lending program, increased funding to our #1 ranked school eBook program, and mental health training for librarians who are seeing the pandemic's toll on their communities first-hand.

VIEW 2021 GRANTS

VIEW 2022 GRANTS









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# LSTA Direct Grants to Libraries

Massachusetts uses LSTA funding to provide libraries with direct grants to meet the needs of their community. There were eight LSTA direct grants awarded to libraries in the First Congressional District in 2022 totaling \$72,061.

## Below are examples of direct grant funded projects in the First Congressional District:



## At the Table - Westfield Athenaeum \$10,000

This project provides the Westfield community with information about local resources, workshops, and programs that give residents a better understanding of healthy eating and wellness. The Westfield Athenaeum's community-wide partnerships will allow the Athenaeum and the City of Westfield to foster a more cohesive focus on healthy eating and culinary literacy as part of a healthy lifestyle.



# Protecting Priority Collections - Peru Library \$5,200

Historic archives and artifacts held by Peru Library have been neglected due to funding issues, lack of trained staff, and limited hours. With improved care and management, the library's collections can provide a meaningful trove of local and regional history of interest to the town of Peru. This project focuses on taking fundamental steps to better preserve and share historic resources by creating an accessible and inviting Local History Area.

# **Story Telling Tips**

- Don't assume they've heard it
- And even if they have heard it...
- Tap into their culture
- You have to do all of the lifting



# Thank you!

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# Getting the Story Out: Amplifying Grants' Impact

- Identify the target audience(s)
  - Legislature
  - Board of Trustees
  - Library community
- Tailor your approach
  - Data vs. "story"
  - Delivery method



#### American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

- ARPA Outreach Grant awardees are making the news! Even though the 45 institutions that were
  awarded ARPA Outreach Grants have until July 31<sup>st</sup> to complete the project outlined in their
  respective grant applications, some recipients have already wrapped up their initiatives, or
  publicly put forth their plans to meet their desired outcomes. Take a look at these media links
  from some of those impacted institutions.
  - o Chagrin Falls Exempted Village Schools
  - o Jackson City Library
  - o Madison Public Library
  - o OhioNet
  - o Wittenberg University, Thomas Library







The CRCPL Outreach Department has been awarded a \$69,119 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant to provide library services to the Village of Clarksburg and Zane Village Mobile Home Park.

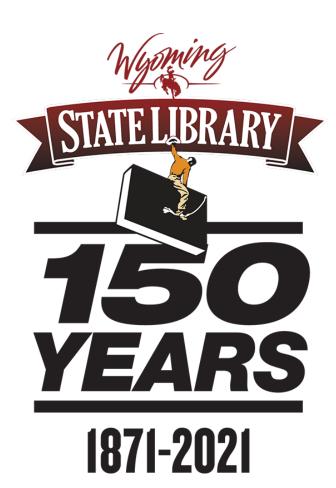
The funds, which were awarded by the State Library of Ohio and provided by an Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) LSTA grant, will be used to install book pickup lockers and book return bins at both locations. Read more here: https://www.crcpl.org/library-awarded-grant-to-provide../

(Photo: Book lockers from D-Tech International)

# Questions?



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# LIBRARY SERVICES & TECHNOLOGY ACT

Home ☐ About the WSL ☐ Library Services & Technology Act









#### [Edit]

The Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA; Public Law 108-81), administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, provides federal funds to the Wyoming State Library to support library services and projects across the state.

#### CFDA #45.310

Projects supported by LSTA in full or in part include, but are not limited to:

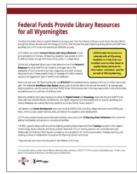
- · Online resources for information and learning found on GoWYLD.net;
- . Downloadable audiobooks, books, and magazines found on GoWYLD.net;
- · Products and services to support the statewide library catalog (WYLDCAT);
- Products and services to support interlibrary loan transactions and management;
- · Resource sharing stipends for public and academic libraries;
- . Collection development stipends to support library services at the 13 Wyoming State Institutions;
- . Funds to convene statewide meetings, provide a wide range of training, and enable state library staff to maintain a high level of knowledge on current and emerging topics.

#### Links to LSTA in Wyoming

- . Wyoming LSTA Fact Sheet
- 2018-2022 LSTA Five-Year Plan
- 2018-2022 LSTA Five-Year Plan Evaluation
- · Previous LSTA Five-Year Plans and Evaluations



# The Impact of Federal Funds on Wyoming Library Resources



Download this Fact Sheet











Using the Library WYLD Collections Services Library News About Ask a Librarian WSL Catalog (WYLDCat)

# **WSL NEWS**











Sign up now for the WSL's Outrider newsletter

## **Grant Opportunities**

Judith Krug Fund Banned Books Week Event Grants DEADLINE: June 6, 2022 Each year FTRF distributes grants to non-profit organizations to support activities that raise awareness of intellectual freedom and censorship issues during the annual Banned Books ... Read More »

## WyoCAN June Video: Social Media and Text Scams

Cyber-in-a-Box School Video Challenge The School Video Challenge was created to encourage Wyoming middle and high school classrooms to create original video content promoting public cybersecurity awareness as part of the Cyber-in-a-Box program. This video was created ...Read More »

# Free Continuing Education Events for the Week of May 30



Download the current edition of The Outrider

## **Newsletter Archives**

- Outrider Archives
- Wyoming Library Foundations
- News to Use
- Wyoming Library Roundup

## Recent Posts

Grant Opportunities WyoCAN June Video: Social Media and Text Scams

# Blog posts related to IMLS funding

- Get Out There and GoWYLD
- ARPA funds announcement and updates
- 5-year evaluation survey and completion
- Directors' annual work session
- Rowdy Randy project
- Miscellaneous database features



WYOMING STATE LIBRARY NEWSLETTE

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# **ARPA Money Working for Wyoming Libraries**

When the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) passed last year,



Wyoming received \$2.1 million in funds from the Institute of Museum and Library, Services. (IMLS) for pandemic response. In the weeks that followed the award, the Wyoming State Library created a plan, with input from the library community. to benefit libraries across the state.

Nearly a year in, the WSL has expended \$1.3 million of ARPA funds. Expenditures supported WYLD and OCLC fees, giving local libraries a financial boost. Academic libraries gained open educational and other resources.

Disadvantaged populations on the Wind River Indian Reservation and Wyoming state institutions have more books in their hands and on their library shelves. The Wyoming Virtual Library (OverDrive) offers thousands more titles purchased from ARPA funds.

For workforce development, GOWYLD.net now includes Gale Business: Plan Builder and Gale Legal Forms through September 30, 2022. LinkedIn Learning access was also extended through that date. On the education front, teachers and librarians have access to TumbleBooks and TeachingBooks.

More great projects are in the works. Funds will purchase items for school library shelves — 204 schools with 72,021 students will benefit. Last, but not least, the Wyoming State Library is preparing to roll out a marketing campaign to promote federally funded resources in GoWYLD.

<u>Learn more</u> about how federal funds support libraries in Wyoming.

# The Outrider

- Electronic newsletter to Wyoming libraries
- Usually 10-16 pages
- 1100+ on mailing list
- 10-12 times annually

WYOMING STATE LIBRARY | library.wyo.gov | The Wyoming State Library is a division of the Wyoming Department of Administration & Information.



# Press releases related to federal funding

- Get Out There and GoWYLD
- TumbleBooks and TeenBookCloud (ARPA)
- Gale Business Plan Builder and Legal Forms (ARPA)
- Wyoming Virtual Library

Press releases are sent statewide to more than 100 media contacts.



A trusted source for information, ideas, and solutions.



## **Payroll Reminders**

October 16th to November 15th: 21 Working Days (168 hours)

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November: 22 Working Days (176 hours)

November 10th: Salary Exempt and Salary Non-Exempt Timesheets Due

November 15th: W-4 Changes
Due

November 15th: Direct Deposit Changes Due

November 17th: Hourly Non-Exempt Timesheets Due

November 30th: Pay Day

**November Holidays** 

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# **NEWSLETTER**

## **Economic Analysis Division News**

Wyoming Cost of Living Index

The State of Wyoming Economic Analysis Division has completed the Second Quarter of 2021 (2Q21) Wyoming Cost of Living Index (WCLI).







## Wyoming State Library News

Did you know?



Did you know that November is National Picture Book Month? The Wyoming State Library has just added a wonderful online resource for the occasion — TumbleBooks. TumbleBookLibrary includes animated, talking picture books that teach kids the joy of reading in a format they'll love. Find it in <a href="GoWYLD.net">GoWYLD.net</a> under the Digital Library link at the top — available to you with your card from any Wyoming public or community college library or from the State Library.

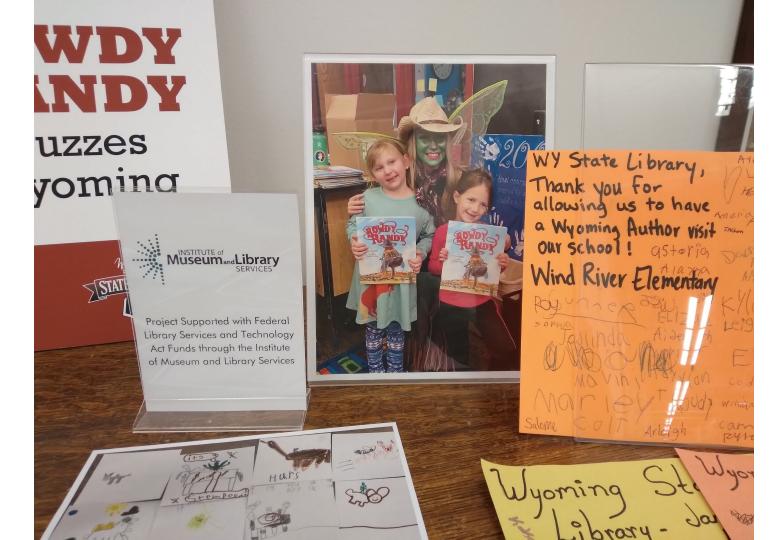
### Safety Office News

# Directors' Work Session



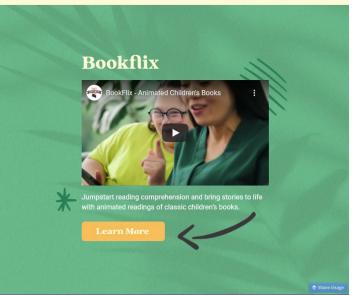
# Rowdy Randy at the Wyoming Library Association legislative reception











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### Kids K-8 Resources

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**Support Material** 

Activities--K-8

Tutorials

#### **New Resources for Educators**



## TeachingBooks<sup>-</sup>

TeachingBooks TeachingBooks.net is an online database of thousands of multimedia resources you can use to explore children's and young adult books and

## **Early Literacy**



#### Bookflix WSL

A literacy resource for grades PreK-3 that pairs classic fictional video storybooks with related eBooks. Animation, audio and interactive games are designed to reinforce core reading skills. \*For access outside the library, use this

# NoveList\*

#### Novelist K-8 Plus WSL

NoveList K-8 Plus is especially for younger readers. It has reading recommendations for both fiction and nonfiction, for kids in grades K-8. Use it to find just the right books for every reader



#### TumbleBooks WSL

These curated collections of eBooks & audiobooks in multiple formats include animated, talking picture books, read-along chapter books, non-fiction books, playlists, graphic novels and more. This content is available for streaming only and is not downloadable.

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#### Kids K-8--Databases

# **GOWYLD TOOLKIT**

Home ☐ GoWYLD Toolkit ☐









#### [Edit]

# Welcome to the GoWYLD Marketing Campaign Toolkit!

From June 6th through the end of November, the Wyoming State Library will be promoting a new marketing campaign, "Get Out There and GoWYLD", showcasing many of GoWYLD's most useful resources.

Below you'll find links to digital and print assets that your library can download and share with your patrons to help them explore all that GoWYLD has to offer.

Note: Be sure to direct all web traffic to our dedicated campaign URL, GoWYLD.com, to maximize our campaign's effectiveness.



Use this calendar as a guide to know when to share these campaign assets



Download and print this 8.5×11 poster to promote our campaign within your library





## **Contact Information**

Wyoming State Library 2800 Central Avenue Chevenne, WY 82002 Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **WSL Staff & Department Directory**

## Main Reference

(307) 777-6333 statelibrary@wyo.gov

## Interlibrary Loan (307) 777-7282

ai-wsl-circulation@wyo.gov

## WYLD Support

(including after hours information)



# Campaign assets

- Posters, bookmarks, banners
- Web graphics
- Videos
- Social media cover images and post graphics
- Email and social media pre-written content
- HTML email template



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