

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Library & Information Services



BLDing Success

Bureau of Library Development: If you work for a Florida library, we work for you!

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Greetings!

SSLLI Year 16 applications are [available to download on our website](#). Completed applications will be accepted from April 1 to June 15, 2019. Sessions will be conducted in Clay and Martin County. The Institute begins in October 2019 and concludes with graduation in July 2020.

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E-Government

After many years providing resources to millions of Floridians, Get Help Florida will be closing its virtual doors. We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Nancy Fredericks, Anita Lamont and the rest of the Pasco County Libraries for their innovation, leadership and dedication to the Get Help Florida program.

If you have any questions or concerns, or want to share what your library is doing with e-government services, contact Kaycee Shiley at



Visit GetHelpFlorida.org

[Supercharge Your Storytime Assessment](#)
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[FEL Building Blocks: Career Transitions](#)
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[Strategic Planning in a Deeply Weird World](#)
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Library Services and Technology Act Grant Applications

The application period for the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant program is now open. Applications must be submitted online using the Department of State Grants System at dosgrants.com.

The deadline for submitting an application is 11:59 p.m. Eastern on March 15, 2019.

Guidelines for the LSTA Grant applications are available on the Florida Department of State's Division of Library and Information Services [website](#).

Funding preference will be given to applications submitted as competitive projects demonstrating a response to hurricane recovery needs.

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Data and Statistics

The Year-Long Journey of a State Data Coordinator

Public Library Data

- January - February: Bureau of Library Development (BLD) staff vetted the data supplied on the Annual Statistical Report.
- March: BLD will submit the data to the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) as part of the annual nationwide data collection for the [Public Libraries Survey](#).
- March - July: IMLS will review the data.
- August - September: BLD staff will produce the data tables and upload them to the web.
- October - November: BLD staff will open collection of public library data for the next year; public libraries submit data.
- December: BLD staff will close collection of public library data for the next year.

State Library Administrative Agency Data

The [State Library Administrative Agency survey](#) (SLAA) is administered by IMLS and provides basic descriptive information about state library agencies and their services. The survey collection opened in January and will close in March. This is the vehicle used by the Florida Division of Library and Information Services to report statistics to the federal government.

You can [access the data files](#) in a variety of formats up to FY2016.

Resources

Library Search and Compare Tool

IMLS has made the [Library Search and Compare Tool](#) available for all public libraries. This tool allows users to search, view and compare library data contained in the FY2016 Public Libraries Survey - over 9,000 libraries!

The Case for Space



Once you enter your email address, you will be asked to choose the types of information you want to receive from the Division, such as:

**Continuing Education
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Many libraries plan to or are currently undergoing renovations or moves in 2019. Do you know where to start when gathering space use data? Here are a few resources to make the case for more space:

Books: [Planning Optimal Library Spaces: Principles, Processes, and Practices](#) and [The Practical Handbook of Library Architecture: Creating Building Spaces that Work](#)

Webinars: [Heat Mapping & Data Gathering for Space Design](#) (TBLC)

For more information or if you have questions, contact Tatiana Daguillard at tatiana.daguillard@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6608.

E-Rate

The filing window for the 2019 Funding Year will close at **midnight (Eastern) on Wednesday, March 27, 2019**. If you are still working on your application and would like some assistance or need a refresher, check out the recording [E-Rate for Funding Year 2019](#). This includes foundations of the program, as well as important updates and reminders for this funding cycle.

If you have questions, contact Emily Hart at emily.hart@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6633.

Continuing Education



March is National Credit Education Month. Fortunately for us here in Florida, that means we can highlight the amazing [Finance Your Future](#) program created by the Florida Department of Financial Services Division of Consumer Services. To learn more about the program, check out our [webinar](#) with Denishia Sword.

WebJunction presented a webinar about resources available from the

Consumer Finance Protection Bureau: [Libraries Help Patrons Become Financially Empowered Consumers](#).

Two other great resources are: [Getting Unstuck: Help Your Board, Staff, and Town Talk about Library Funding](#) or [Getting Off the Grants Hamster Wheel: Creating Revenue Streams](#).

Image: [Men performing calculations during a Civil Air Patrol search and rescue exercise](#). 1959. Black & white photonegative. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory.



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Florida Literacy Conference

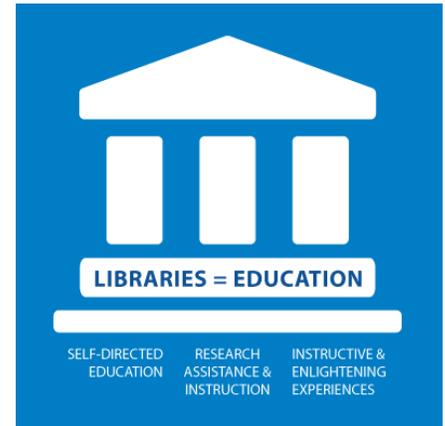
The 35th Annual Florida Literacy Conference in Daytona Beach will be held on May 1-3, 2019. This premier literacy event offers a wide range of sessions presented by local, state and national educators, including a Conference track on Library Literacy. Sessions are designed to energize you with new ideas and hands-on strategies that you can put to work for your program and students.

For more information, call the [Florida Literacy Coalition](#) at (407) 246-7110 ext. 203, or visit their website for updates and registration information.

Library Literacy Workshops

Free workshops are scheduled for:

- Wednesday, April 3 from 1 - 4 p.m. in St. Petersburg.
- Friday, April 5 from 1 - 4 p.m. in Homosassa.



Friends of the Library Workshops: Collaborative Conversations

The Division is hosting collaborative conversations at two Friends of the Library workshops this spring. The workshops are for Friends members, library board members, public library staff working with Friends, library directors and others. Participants will learn best practices for collecting community information and discuss how libraries can make better communities.

The workshop facilitator is Case McPhee of the Largo Public Library. The workshops are scheduled for:

- Wednesday, April 3 from 10 a.m. - noon in St. Petersburg.
- Friday, April 5 from 10 a.m. - noon in Homosassa.

For more information about the workshops and registration, adult literacy and working with Friends of the Library groups, please contact Sandy Newell at sandy.newell@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6624.

Florida Library Youth Program



If you weren't able to attend the NASA @ My Library workshop, don't despair! All of the activities demonstrated during the workshop are available on the [Starnet STEM Activity Clearinghouse](#) - *A Universe of Stories*.

For more information about space and STEM resources, please contact Jana Fine at jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6629.



Florida Electronic Library
Florida Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services

We've got "space" on our minds here at the Bureau of Library Development. Our NASA @ My Library workshop was a success!

The *Universe of Stories* summer program is approaching quickly. To help you get ready, the Florida Electronic Library's *Kids InfoBits* has a whole science topic on [Space and Astronomy](#). There are pictures, books, magazines, even videos covering all the fun space topics: galaxies, black holes, the moon, rockets and much, much more.



For more information about the Florida Electronic Library, contact Dorothy Frank at dorothy.frank@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6631.

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Underserved Populations

We know that Florida's libraries are strong and resilient and that our staff will rise to meet challenges far beyond anything learned in an MLS program. Join us in the conversation about how your library has met challenges in the past and your future plans. Check out this Florida Library Webinars recorded training: [Library Support During Community Emergencies: It's Not Just About the Books](#).

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Florida Libraries as Publishers

Q. What do you get when you combine a university press with digital technology?

A. Lynn University Digital Press.

Run by Lynn University Library, Lynn University Digital Press publishes faculty-written iBooks for many of its courses. The iBooks integrate with Lynn's iPad learning system, saving students approximately 90% on textbook costs.



Read more about this acclaimed initiative in [Lynn University Digital Press](#). If you have a story about your library that you'd like us to share, contact Karen Joslin at karen.joslin@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6637.

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We can't wait to share what we're doing here at the Bureau. We are especially excited about sharing what YOU are doing!

Please contact Melissa Hooke at melissa.hooke@dos.myflorida.com or 850.245.6632 to submit programs, pictures or interesting news you would like us to share about your library.

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