



# Community Connections



The Community Engagement and Resources Program Newsletter

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## Stars in the Sunshine State: Miami-Dade Autism Friendly Partner



Miami-Dade [Autism Friendly Partner](#) is now live on the Stars in the Sunshine State webpage! Discover how library staff redesigned their branches with the help of a local community organization to create a welcoming and compassionate environment for their neurodiverse community!

Do you have a project, program or achievement you would like other Florida library staff to know about? Let me know! Email me at [Brittany.Wright@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:Brittany.Wright@dos.myflorida.com) or call me at 850.245.6636.

## Connection Creators

It's almost time for the next Community Engagement discussion, **Connection Creators!** These quarterly discussions are a chance to discuss what is currently going on at your libraries, to collaborate on solutions to challenges you may be

facing and share resources with other library staff.

Discussion topics for the meeting:

- What Do You Need from the Community Engagement and Resources Program?
- Financial Literacy Programming.
- StoryWalks®.
- Successes and challenges during 2021.



This quarter's meeting has been moved from its usual date in December to **Wednesday, January 26, from 2 - 3 p.m. Eastern**. A recording will be available for those who cannot attend.

[Register here](#)

**Wednesday, January 26, 2021  
2 to 3 p.m. Eastern**

Please let me know if you have a topic you'd like discussed. Send me an email at [Brittany.Wright@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:Brittany.Wright@dos.myflorida.com) or phone me: 850.245.6636.

Thank you in advance for your interest and input!



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## Disaster Relief Resources: ITDRC

On November 18, Dustin Li from the [Information Technology Disaster Resource Center](#) presented a webinar for libraries, hosted by Director Connections Consultant Emily Hart and Brittany Wright. The webinar highlighted activities, resources and equipment specific to restoring communications (internet connectivity, telecommunications, etc.) in Florida libraries and associated communities affected by a disaster. This webinar is chock-full of information you or your community may need one day!

If you were unable to attend, you may view the recording on BLD's YouTube channel: [Disaster Relief Resources: ITDRC](#).

# National Endowment for the Humanities: Public Humanities Projects



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[The Public Humanities Projects](#) grant program funds projects that use humanities scholarship to analyze and interpret subjects such as history, democracy, citizenship and art history.

These projects must reach a broad and diverse public audience and be provided in a non-classroom setting in the United States.

Applications are due **January 12, 2022**.

Previously funded projects include temporary exhibits about American art, the creation of a historical tour, and public programs led by veterans and scholars to discuss the meaning of democracy.

Nonprofit organizations, public institutions of higher education, state and local governmental agencies and federally recognized Native American tribal governments are eligible to apply.

Projects fall under three categories: Exhibitions, Historic Places, and Humanities Discussions. There are two funding levels: Planning and Implementation. Cost sharing is not required.

Up to \$75,000 may be requested for Planning or \$50,000 to \$400,000 for Implementation. Applicants for Exhibition and Historic Places projects may also request an additional \$50,000 to \$100,000 at the Implementation funding level. This additional funding provides support for full-time employment of recent M.A. or Ph.D. graduates in the humanities.

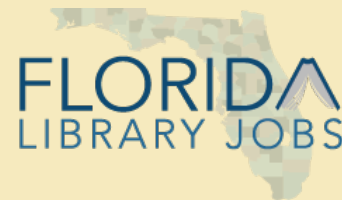
## E-Government & Job Resources



Statewide portal for county and local resources, organized by county.



Career and job resources from the Florida Electronic Library.



Florida Library Jobs is a listing of job openings for library and information science-related positions in Florida.



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