



Executive Council Agenda

November 15, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting – In-Person and Virtual

In-Person: Orange County Public Law Library

515 North Flower Street, Santa Ana, CA 92703

Via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86906409064?pwd=NnFGN25YdzlXbjBobWtuZjhxNjV0dz09>

AGENDA

All items may be considered for action.

1. Opening Brian Sternberg
 - a. Chairperson’s Welcome
Chairperson introduces any guests or new members.
 - b. Roll Call

2. Public Comment Brian Sternberg

Opportunity for any guest or member of the public to address the Council on any item of Santiago business not represented on the current agenda.

3. Consent Calendar Brian Sternberg

All items on the consent calendar may be approved by a single motion. Any Council member may request an item be removed from the consent calendar and placed on the agenda for discussion.

 - a. Minutes of the August 16, 2022 meeting
 - b. AB361 Renewal

4. Adoption of the Agenda Brian Sternberg

5. SCLC Chair Report Gary Shaffer

6. Budget Status Report FY2022/23 Caryn Shapiro

7. CLSA FY2022/23 Update Wayne Walker

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| 8. CA State Library – eBooks For All Project | Chris Durr |
| 9. Committee Reports | |
| a. Technology Committee | Genesis Hansen |
| b. Children’s Services Committee | Judy Booth |
| c. Teen Services | Dave Curtis |
| d. Circulation Committee | Helen Medina |
| e. Reference Committee | Carrie Lixey |
| 10. State Library Report | Shana Sojoyner |
| 11. Executive Council Chair Report | Brian Sternberg |
| 12. Adjournment | Brian Sternberg |
| 13. What’s New at your Library | |



ACTION ITEMS

Meeting: _____ Santiago Executive Council Meeting _____

Date: _____ November 15, 2022 _____

Library: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Agenda Item: _____

___ Aye ___ Motion

___ Nay ___ Second

___ Abstain

Agenda Item: _____

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___ Aye ___ Motion

___ Nay ___ Second

___ Abstain



Executive Council Agenda

August 16, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting – In-Person and Virtual

In-Person: Huntington Beach Public Library

Central Library, 7111 Talbert Ave., Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86855024090?pwd=aHZaWHRFNzJOU2NpcTRzc0tVRFZyQT09>

Minutes *draft*

Attendance

Booth, Judy – Fullerton
Baltierra, Yesenia – Placentia
Curtis, Dave – Orange Public
Edelbute, Tom - Anaheim
Framson, Jessica – Huntington Beach
Hansen, Genesis – Mission Viejo
Hartson, Melissa – Newport Beach
Homsley, Ken – Yorba Linda
Medina, Helen – Buena Park
Sternberg, Brian – Santa Ana

Other

Dinuzzo, Carol – SCLC
Graver, Lori – SCLC
Snodgrass, Nerissa – SCLC
Sojoyner, Shana – SCLC
Walker, Wayne - SCLC

Absent

Quillman, Julie – OC Public
Starkey, Brendan – OC Public Law

1. Opening
Meeting began at 2:01pm.

Brian Sternberg

2. Public Comment Brian Sternberg
Opportunity for any guest or member of the public to address the Council on any item of Santiago business not represented on the current agenda.
None.

3. Consent Calendar Brian Sternberg
All items on the consent calendar may be approved by a single motion. Any Council member may request an item be removed from the consent calendar and placed on the agenda for discussion.
 - a. Minutes of the May 17, 2022 meeting
MSP (Medina/Hansen) to pass the Consent Calendar. (5 yes, 0 no, 5 abstain)

4. Adoption of the Agenda Brian Sternberg
MSP (Curtis/Hansen) to adopt the Agenda, as presented. Motion passes, without objection.

5. AB361 Wayne Walker
MSP (Hansen/Curtis) to adopt AB361 with this resolution: Be it resolved that the Santiago Executive Council reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency declared by the Governor and at least one of the following is true: (1) The state of emergency, continues to directly impact the ability of the members of this legislative body to meet safely in person; and/or (2) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.
(10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)

6. Budget Status Report FY2021/22 Carol Dinuzzo
All CLSA funds, grant revenue and membership dues have been paid. CLSA System Administration has been paid to SCLC.

7. Budget Status Report FY2022/23 Carol Dinuzzo
CLSA Approved System Budget Allocations and Membership Dues are included. PLSEP grant funds are to be determined. The eResources and Telecommunications have been allocated according to fund distribution survey results.

8. Audit Report FY2020/21 Carol Dinuzzo
MSP (Medina/Hartson) to accept the Audited Financial Statement for FY2020/21.
(9 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain)

9. CLSA Annual Report FY2021/22 Wayne Walker
MSP (Hansen/Edelbute) to authorize the Interim Executive Director to work with the Chair to complete the CLSA 2021/22 Annual Report for submission to the State Library by September 6, 2022.
(9 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain)

10. Signature Authority Wayne Walker
MSP (Hansen/Framson) to authorize SCLC to update the Pacific Premier Bank Signature cards granting signing authority as follows:
1. Add Chair, Brian Sternberg, as an authorized signer on accounts.
 2. Add Vice- Chair, Jessica Framson as an authorized signer on accounts.
 3. Add Project Manager, Nerissa Snodgrass as an authorized signer on the accounts.
 4. Remove outgoing Chair, Judy Booth, as an authorized signer on accounts.
 5. Remove retired Executive Director, Diane Satchwell, as an authorized signer on accounts.
 6. Remove Linda Andersen as an authorized signer on accounts.
 7. Remove Jeanette Contreras as an authorized signer on accounts.
- (10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)
11. Google Drive Update Genesis Hansen
Google Drive site is up and running, and Hansen to send out a link after the meeting. All Directors should have permissions to post.
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Ae3Q2s7daV2CiJHYe29BVdJSOSUjltwV>
12. Committee Reports
- a. Technology Committee Genesis Hansen
Last met in June, but Minutes are not yet available.
 - b. Children’s Services Committee Judy Booth
Last met in May, and will evaluate SRP at the September meeting.
 - c. Teen Services Dave Curtis
Next meeting is August 17, 2022, and will discuss electing new seats, SRP results and fall programming.
 - d. Circulation Committee Helen Medina
Discussed performance evaluations at the June 15 meeting. Will discuss item recovery at the September 15 meeting.
 - e. Reference Committee Brian Sternberg
None.
13. State Library Report Shana Sojoyner
Funding available through the AmeriCorps Initiative. LSTA grant Sustainable California Libraries application is open. CALL is now offering Homegrown, learning opportunities suggested by California library staff. The State Library continues to solicit input on data collection and analysis.
14. Executive Council Chair Report Brian Sternberg
None.
15. Adjournment Brian Sternberg
MSP (Sternberg/Edelbute) to adjourn meeting at 2:49pm, without objection.

16. What's New at your Library

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Agenda Item 03b

DATE: November 15, 2022
TO: Santiago Executive Council
FROM: Wayne Walker – Interim Executive Director SCLC/Santiago
SUBJECT: AB361 Renewal

BACKGROUND: On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361 which allows local agencies to continue to use teleconferencing during a declared state of emergency without adhering to certain Brown Act provisions. Absent this legislation, local agencies would have had to return to traditional Brown Act meeting requirements beginning on October 1, 2021.

The Santiago Executive Council adopted an AB 361 resolution at the meeting of August 16, 2022.

AB 361 requires said resolution to be reaffirmed by majority vote every 30 days or at each subsequent meeting if more than 30 days have elapsed. With the continuation of the emergency created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the need for virtual meetings continues.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

RECOMMENDATION: Reaffirm the resolution attesting to a continued state of emergency and need to follow the provisions allowed by AB 361:

Be it resolved that the Santiago Executive Council reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency declared by the Governor and at least one of the following is true: (1) The state of emergency, continues to directly impact the ability of the members of this legislative body to meet safely in person; and/or (2) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing."



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Agenda Item 05

DATE: November 15, 2022
TO: Santiago Executive Council
FROM: Gary Shaffer – Chair – SCLC Administrative Council
SUBJECT: SCLC Chair Update

BACKGROUND: Executive Director Recruitment - The SCLC Interim Executive Director, Heather Cousin, accepted a permanent Director position at the Torrance Public Library in July. Wayne Walker has been serving as the Interim Executive Director. Recruitment for the SCLC Executive Director closed through the professional recruitment firm Teri Black & Company on September 11th. The SCLC Administrative Council is entering the final stages of the recruitment process for the new Executive Director.

Controller Recruitment - After fulfilling a 5.5-year tenure, SCLC Controller, Carol Dinuzzo, accepted an offer from an outside organization in early August. SCLC contracted with a Caryn Shapiro, CPA, for an immediate temporary solution to manage the Controller duties while a permanent option is identified. The recruitment for the permanent Controller closed on November 7th and SCLC is starting the review phase of the pool of applicants.

An update on the California Library Association will be provided.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

RECOMMENDATION: Informational.



Agenda Item 06

DATE: November 15, 2022
TO: Santiago Council
FROM: Caryn Shapiro, Interim Controller, Santiago/SCLC
SUBJECT: Budget Status, FY2022/23

BACKGROUND: The attached Budget Status Reports reflects all reconciled bank statements through October 31, 2022.

REVENUE: All CLSA funds have been approved and in progress. Grant revenue will be discussed in next agenda discussion. Membership dues were paid in by 96%.

EXPENSES: Audit expenses have been paid for the 20/21 Audit Report.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

RECOMMENDATION: Informational.

REVENUES/EXPENSES	Proposed	Prior Year Actuals	Actuals	Balance	%	Notes
REVENUE						
CLSA Communications & Delivery	\$ 177,003	\$ 163,386	\$ -	\$ 177,003	0%	Awarded and in progress
CLSA System Administration	\$ 44,251	\$ 40,847	\$ -	\$ 44,251	0%	Awarded and in progress
Grant Project Revenue	\$ -	\$ 26,730	\$ -	\$ -	0%	TBD
Grant Indirect	\$ -	\$ 2,673	\$ -	\$ -	0%	TBD
Califa Membership Dues	\$ 4,410	\$ 4,050	\$ 4,050	\$ 360	0%	96% Paid by members
Santiago Membership Dues	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,100	\$ 2,050	\$ 200	91%	96% Paid by members
Santiago System Administration	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	N/A
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 227,914	\$ 239,786	\$ 6,100	\$ 221,814		
EXPENDITURES						
System Administration CLSA Funds	\$ 44,251	\$ 40,847	\$ -	\$ 44,251	0%	Not billed for 22/23 Budget as of yet.
System Administration Santiago Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	N/A
Audit Fees	\$ 6,175	\$ 6,490	\$ 2,536	\$ 3,639	41%	Fedak/Brown20/21 Audit \$2536 22/23 \$636 21/22
eResources	\$ 81,146	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,146	0%	eResources Fund Distribution
Memberships	\$ 4,410	\$ 4,050	\$ 4,410	\$ -	100%	Califa/CLA-Paid in full
Professional Services	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ -	\$ 150	0%	Bank Analysis Fees
Telecommunications	\$ 250	\$ 156,896	\$ -	\$ 250	0%	Zoom, Internet, Telco Distributions
Remaining CLSA Funds	\$ 89,432	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89,432	0%	To be determined by Survey
Operating Expenses Subtotal	\$ 136,382	\$ 208,433	\$ 6,946	\$ 129,436		
Grant Expenses						
PLSEP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	
Grant Expenses Subtotal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 136,382	\$ 208,433	\$ 6,946	\$ 129,436		
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 91,532	\$ 31,353	\$ (846)			
ACCOUNT BALANCES						
Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$ 397,967		\$ 338,677	Pacific Premier as of 10/31 /22		

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Agenda Item 07

DATE: November 15, 2022
TO: Santiago Council
FROM: Wayne Walker – Interim Executive Director SCLC/Santiago
SUBJECT: CLSA Update

Background: The California Library Services Board (CLSB) met on October 5th. The FY2022/23 CLSA Plan of Service and Budget produced by Santiago and SCLC Staff submitted in June 2022 was on the agenda for review and approval. The CLSB approved the Plan of Service and Budget as submitted by Santiago. SCLC staff has worked with the CA State Library to complete needed paperwork to claim the funds. The CLSA funds will be distributed to Santiago/SCLC system office in a lump sum check by the end of the calendar year.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$177,003 in baseline funds and \$44,251 in System Administration funds.

RECOMMENDATION: Informational.

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Agenda Item 09b

DATE: November 15, 2022
TO: Santiago Executive Council
FROM: Judy Booth, Liaison to Children's Services Committee
SUBJECT: Request by Children's Services Committee to hold a 2023 Performers' Showcase

BACKGROUND: The Children's Services Committee along with volunteers from their library staff members have presented the Performers Showcase for many years to familiarize themselves and their guests with performers to use for library programming. This was especially valuable in the time before other electronic means to see performers (via their websites or via YouTube, etc.) were available to librarians. This event was interrupted by the COVID pandemic. The Children's Services Committee requests the opportunity to resume the Performers Showcase on Thursday, January 19, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT: Although the Performers Showcase has shown a net positive revenue in the past, many Santiago Library System Libraries are facing staffing shortages and other financial constraints that may influence their ability to allow for the in-kind use of staff to participate in the preparation and presentation of the event or to hire performers at the same rate as the time before the pandemic and economic downturn. Over the years some libraries and thus their cities have donated more in-kind support than other libraries. Notably, the City of Yorba Linda's in-kind donation of their Community Center where the event has usually been held.

The threat of a major surge of COVID, RSV and/or the flu is predicted for the Winter of 2022-23. As we have experienced, COVID can be unexpectedly disruptive, and the best-laid plans can be upset, and often followed with negative fiscal effects such as headache of the sudden canceling of the event.

RECOMMENDATION: None.

SLS Performers Showcase

Thursday, January 19, 2023

Overview

The SLS Children's Services Performers Showcase has been a valued program to Orange County libraries and surrounding library systems for over 15 years. This program has provided libraries with the opportunity to meet new and seasoned performers in Southern California and evaluate their ability to enhance library services to local communities.

Purpose

The SLS Children's Services Performers Showcase provides libraries the opportunity to see a variety of performers in a single day. This is a necessary service for the planning and implementation of high-quality Children's programs at our libraries. It is beneficial in planning and implementing Summer Reading Programs, school year programs, as well as special events throughout the year. Librarians also have the opportunity to visit and talk to performers in an intimate setting. Many librarians book their summer performers on the day of the showcase then use the Performer Showcase Directory throughout the school year to book other performers for library events. Our purpose is to highlight local talent and to provide an opportunity for librarians to make informed decisions before booking an artist.

1. What is the desired outcome of this event?

SLS Librarians would like to enhance the services we provide our communities by providing librarians with the opportunity to see, select, and book a variety of performers in a single day.

2. Are there other (less expensive, less staff-intensive ways to achieve the desired outcome?)

In order for all local libraries to see, personally talk to, and book local performers willing to perform in Orange County in a single day, this Performer Showcase is the best. There is NO other showcase that compares to the Orange County Performers Showcase. It is also not staff-intensive since we have streamlined the event.

3. Who will staff it? Do all the member libraries have enough Children's staff to participate? Are any one or two libraries tapped with dedicating more staff than the others?

The Performers Showcase is presented by the SLS Children's Committee. Committee members volunteer for tasks and assignments. The committee will staff the event and participate free of charge. If a committee member is not able to attend, they are not forced to assist with the event. In addition, approximately 3 or 4 volunteers from Orange County Libraries will assist with the program and participate free of charge as well.

4. Who will be invited?

Library staff from SLS Libraries are invited to attend as well as neighboring non-SLS library staff. It mostly consists of Children and Teen Librarians.

5. How will you address possible COVID concerns, especially since food was served in the past and the event was usually held in January which, we are warned will be part of the Winter-Time COVID and Flu Season.

If a registered participant cannot attend due to COVID, they are welcome to send another staff member in their place. We will provide masks for anyone who would like to wear one. Participants are welcome to enjoy lunch outside on the patio or at the park next door.

6. Will it run all day with lunch served or will it use another event agenda?

Depending on the number of performers who apply, the event will run from 9am to 3pm with lunch available to those who purchased tickets ahead of time.

7. Location: Yorba Linda Community Center

For the past several years, the Yorba Linda Community Center has graciously allowed the SLS Children's Committee to use their facilities for this event free of charge. They provide set-up and take-down of all tables and chairs, the use of the sound system including mics, and anything else needed, such as garbage collection, at no extra charge.

8. What is the budget? What will be the cost of admission for performers? For attendees?

The budget is dependent on the number of performers who participate and the number of attendees. The difference in the cost of the event and the income from participants has always been positive.

There is no cost for SLS Committee members and volunteers.

The cost for SLS librarians is \$10.

The cost for non-SLS librarians is \$25

The cost for performers applying to the showcase is \$25.

The cost for showcasing performers is \$50.

9. Will performers and librarian attendees pay for this when there are options to see performances on performers' websites and YouTube?

Performers value the opportunity to connect with librarians in-person and be part of a curated list of reliable venues. Seeing a performer via edited videos online is not the same as seeing how they present live to a crowd.

Librarians value the opportunity to see performers in-person, get a feel for their attitude on and off stage, and book multiple performances in a single day from a curated list as opposed to searching for options in a very large pool of non-local varied talent online.

There has also been several new Children's Librarians who are unfamiliar with performers and find the showcase useful. Performers consider the small fee worth the opportunity and are eager to apply.

California State Library, Library Development Services

Cooperative Library System Liaison Report

November 9, 2022

Funding Opportunities Through the California State Library

Please visit the [grants page](#) of the California State Library website for a listing and timetable of new and upcoming funding opportunities and statewide resources available.

Voter Guide Information

As the November 8, 2022, [voting deadline](#) approaches, there to help is the nonpartisan [Voter Guide](#), created by [CalMatters](#), a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization with the support of the California State Library. The [Voter Guide](#) helps patrons get their most frequent questions answered and learn about key races and candidates. It includes [video explainers](#) that break down state ballot propositions and explanations of what elected officials do. Share your feedback and insights with anaclara@calmatters.org or NetworkingGrant@library.ca.gov. The Networking California Library Resources project is supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

FY21-22 Public Libraries Survey

Submissions were due on **Tuesday, November 8, 2022.**

Instructions, a blank excel template of data elements, the recording of the August 23rd information session, and other helpful documents are available on the [State Library's statistics page](#). Please contact meg.depriest@library.ca.gov if you have missed the deadline.

Directors Networking Conversations

Networking conversations for library directors continue and an invitation to participate is sent out on the directors' listserv as dates are scheduled. The last Directors Networking call for the 2022 calendar year will be on **Wednesday, November 16, 2022** at 3:30. [Register for the call](#).

LSTA Inspiration Grants Now Open

LSTA-funded Inspiration Grants enable libraries to seek support for programs that don't necessarily fit within the parameters of other funding opportunities. Because the Inspiration award cycle is different from the typical LSTA grant year, library staff are empowered to react to "a-ha moments," meet their communities' expressed needs and aspirations, and carry out innovative projects mid-year.

The application period is now open and will close on **December 30, 2022**, at 5:00 p.m. Applications will be reviewed as they are received, and funds will be distributed as they are available. Project periods will vary depending on when applications are received and the needs of each individual project.

Learn about the application process, the timeline, eligibility requirements, and more by visiting the Inspiration Grants page:

<https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/inspiration/>

Questions? Email LSTAgrants@library.ca.gov and include "Inspiration" in the subject line.

LSTA Public Library Staff Education Program

The [Public Library Staff Education Program](#) is a tuition reimbursement program developed by the California State Library to improve library services to California's diverse communities. To support the professional development of California public libraries, the California State Library works with cooperative library systems to provide public and county law library staff with tuition reimbursement for courses required for a Master's degree in Library and Information Science. The student application call for the 2022-2023 Public Library Staff Education Program (PLSEP) closed 10/28/2022 12 p.m. (noon). Applications are in the review process. For questions, contact PLSEP@library.ca.gov

Library Engagement Outreach

State and federal funds support online tools for California public libraries, including K-12 tutoring, eBook collections, workforce upskilling, library staff learning opportunities, and so much more. Beginning September 13th, the California State Library will host a series of biweekly online workshops to share information about the wide variety of online resources available to libraries at no cost. Visit the [CALL blog](#) to learn more about the topics being covered and register to attend.

Tutoring Project

Every internet connected Californian is now able to access live, 24/7 online tutoring and homework help in all K-12 subjects. The passing of [AB 128](#) by the California State Legislature enabled the California State Library to partner with the Pacific Library Partnership in bringing this service to all CA Public Libraries. All California public libraries are able to offer Brainfuse's online tutoring and homework assistance service, HelpNow, to their users for two years at no cost. Every California student, with or without a library card, has access to 24/7 online tutoring in core K-12 subjects. Spanish language tutors will be available as well as tutors fluent in Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, and Tagalog.

[See here for Full details on the Statewide tutoring project](#)

Questions? If you have questions about the Statewide Online Tutoring Program, please contact the California State Library at catutoring@library.ca.gov or our onboarding partner, the Pacific Library Partnership, at tutoring at tutoring@plpinfo.org

California Library Literacy Services

CLLS networking calls and trainings continue on a regular basis. Upcoming training sessions will help libraries prepare for AmeriCorps, new ESL services and more. Please visit the new CLLS training and meeting [calendar](#)! The 2021-2022 CLLS annual final report is now open and will be due Monday, November 14, at 5 p.m. Instructions and webinar recordings are available at <https://libraryliteracy.org/for-coordinators/reporting-state-funding/>.

CLLS has opened an additional application round for ESL funding for CLLS libraries who have not yet applied. Round “2.5” applications are now open and due no later than December 15 for funding that starts with the budget period January-June 2023. The final round of applications for new participants will open in early 2023 for funding that starts July 1, 2023. Contact [Bev Schwartzberg](#) or [Allyson Jeffredo](#) for information.

Sustainable California Libraries LSTA Awardees Announced!

Twenty California local library systems have been selected to receive first-ever funding from the State Library to support projects focused on sustainability and climate resilience.

Projects receiving funding through the new Sustainable California Libraries grant program focus on climate education, environment-focused civic engagement, water conservation, air quality, energy efficiency, reducing waste, and supporting local climate action and resilience plans.

Specifically, these grants support activities such as environmental education programs, teaching gardens, lending libraries including tools, seeds and other items tailored to community needs, climate-focused service groups, sustainability conversations, and more.

See the full list at: <https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/sustainable/> [Read the 10/25 Press Release!](#) Email sustainability@library.ca.gov with any questions or comments.

Career Online High School

California libraries can offer a no-cost, online high school diploma program to residents ages 19 and up. Career Online High School graduates receive an accredited diploma and a career certificate in one of ten fields. Enrollees have up to 18 months to complete the program. The next deadline for [new libraries to](#)

[join](#) Career Online High School or for current participants to apply for [additional scholarships](#) is December 10, 2022.

CopyCat Grants

The 2022/23 [CopyCat Grants](#) call for application has closed. Thirty-two library jurisdictions have been selected to receive funding! Applicants have been issued award letters. For Grant Guide information, please visit [Manage Your Current Grant - California State Library](#). Grantees' first point of contact is their project advisor. For other CopyCat questions, please contact us at LSTAGrants@library.ca.gov

Zip Books Program

The 2022/23 Zip Books program call for applications has closed. Applicants have been issued award letters. Program information can be found at [Zip Books Program - California State Library](#) For Zip Books questions, please contact us at ZipBooks@library.ca.gov

California Libraries Learn (CALL)

CALL Homegrown features learning opportunities suggested and designed by California library staff. If you have an idea for a great program, fill out the [CALL for Presentations!](#) Plan your team's professional development by visiting www.callacademy.org and check the frequently updated [calendar](#) to explore the options. Free courses, weekly webinars, and cohort-based learning continue throughout the year. CALL has its own newsletter, *CALL Letters*, and users can [subscribe](#) directly for up-to-date information on staff professional development needs. Encourage your staff members to [create a login](#) to access the many online, self-paced learning opportunities available through [CALL Academy](#). CALL is a joint project of the California State Library and the California Library Association, and is supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

California State Library Parks Passes

21,000 additional parks passes are currently at the Parks warehouse, being prepared to ship. Current estimates are that they will be shipped at the end of the week. All libraries will be getting either what they requested or more, and can hold passes back to be replacements, rather than waiting for Parks to ship a replacement. You can begin planning marketing, programming, and outreach to get the passes into the communities that may face park access barriers now. I hope the [updated toolkit for the Parks Pass program](#) is on the CSL website, with links to flyers, circulation guidelines, and more are useful – please let me know how I can help. The Evaluation Toolkit now has a [Spanish version of the survey](#).

A new and expanded Parks Pass grant opportunity will be opening up in December, so as you get your additional passes and start to imagine complementary programming and outreach to underserved communities who may face parks access barriers, please dream big.

There is an updated version of the District Interpretive Coordinators list – these are your State Parks contacts for programming. Please contact parkspass@library.ca.gov to get a copy.

Please feel free to contact parkspass@library.ca.gov with any questions.

Building Forward Infrastructure Funding for California Libraries

Following a first round of Building Forward grant awards in September, the State Library recently awarded \$59 million in additional library facility improvement grants. This brings to \$314 million the total amount of funding awarded to help libraries address some of their most pressing facilities projects and better meet the needs of their communities. When combined with local matching funds, the state's investment to date will help address approximately ten percent of the estimated \$5 billion that California libraries need to meet their maintenance, modernization, expansion, and replacement needs. Thus far, 246 libraries in 182 cities across 34 counties have received funding.

We are currently preparing the next round of funding. This opportunity will open in the new year. With new funding provided by the legislature, the State Library has approximately \$174 million dollars left to award.

For a full list of projects funded in Round One, please go to <https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/building-forward/>.

With any questions, please email buildingforward@library.ca.gov.

eBooks for All CA

The LSTA eBooks for All grant program is now accepting applications! We have allocated \$1.25 million in LSTA funds to support collection development grants inside of the statewide collection. With these grants, your library or library collaborative will be able to guide and develop a collection that is accessible to all public libraries across the state. Further details on the project, including how to apply, [can be found here](#).

*The deadline to apply is **December 9th at 5 pm.***

If your library is not signed up to take advantage of this project, please be sure to do so soon, as the funding for onboarding is due to expire before the year

ends. Please contact us at ebooksforall@library.ca.gov or casupport@thepalaceproject.org if you would like to sign up. In order to participate in this grant, your library must be onboarded onto Palace. If your library is presently on the eBooks for all platform, know that there are no hosting or server maintenance fees required.

When you make your existing local or cooperative collections accessible inside of Palace, they are not shared with the statewide collection. Your users will inherit the sharing permissions from your other eBook providers inside of the Palace app.

Even if you don't submit a grant application, every public library in California can participate in the statewide "eBooks for All" project. Full details can be found on the State Library's e-book page. Joining is as simple as emailing casupport@thepalaceproject.org and saying, 'My library is interested in joining.' The project implementation team will take it from there.

The deadline to join the eBooks for All project is November 4th.

Digital Navigators / Connected California Program

Digital Navigators help Californians:

- Find low-cost internet service and devices and provide basic information and instruction on internet devices available for check out at local libraries through the Bridging the Digital Divide and [Home Connectivity Kits](#) projects.
- Learn foundational computer skills, such as how to navigate the internet or how to set up an email account.
- Find and use online resources to improve their lives, including resources to assist with career development, guidance on the use of [CAreer Pathways](#) platforms and offerings, applying for a job, and more.

Digital Navigator support is available in English and Spanish. Learn more at <https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/digital-navigators/> or <https://connectedca.org/> and https://connectedca.org/espanol_inicio

If you would like more information about this program, free for Californians and available to all libraries through ARPA and LSTA grant funding, please reach out to christian@theyerconsulting.com or DigNavs@library.ca.gov.

CAreer Pathways: Digital Workforce Platforms for All California Public Libraries

CAreer Pathways resources for the next two years have been announced! These resources, supported by an investment from the State of California, began October 1, 2022. Your jurisdiction's CAreer Pathways contacts have received resource update emails and access to the Canva toolkit for customizable assets

including bookmarks, posters, web banners and more! The ARPA-funded CAREer Pathways outreach campaign launched for the public on Monday, September 19 and will continue through November 30, 2022.

Learn more and register for upcoming trainings on the Staff Resources page: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/career-pathways/>

Register for upcoming CAREer Pathways webinars by following the links below.

- [CAREer Pathways Resources for Spanish-speaking Community Members](#)
Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
- [CAREer Pathways Marketing, Outreach, and Partnership Best Practices](#)
Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

All webinars will be recorded and shared on [CALL Academy](#). More webinars announced soon for January – April 2023.

If you have questions or would like to get involved in upcoming webinars to showcase how your library and community are using the CAREer Pathways resources, reach out: CAPathways@library.ca.gov.

Links for public: <https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-public/career-pathways/>
OR www.library.ca.gov/pathways

California Library Connect

The California Library Connect Program grant (formerly the High-Speed Broadband in California Public Libraries) is now live and accepting applications: <https://californialibraryconnect.org/> - libraries may apply for grants to cover eligible IT/network infrastructure equipment and expenses, as well as the first-year costs of upgrading or installing a new high speed Internet circuit. This program also supports California public libraries by connecting them to high-speed internet through the California Research and Education Network (CalREN) — a high-capacity public-sector broadband network. Since 2015, California Library Connect has connected over 90 percent of its public library jurisdictions. California Library Connect is supported through the partnership of the California State Library, CENIC, and CTC Technology & Energy. We have also launched the **California Collaborative Connectivity Grant**, a separate grant opportunity that provides gap funding for libraries and partner anchor institutions to construct broadband circuits to connect underserved communities. More information may be found on the website referenced above.

Get Connected! California/Affordable Connectivity Program

All California Libraries are invited to participate in the Get Connected! Initiative. Get Connected! promotes the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) which

provides a monthly discount of up to \$30 off home internet to qualifying families. Libraries are encouraged to host enrollment events, with the support of CETF and Get Connected! These enrollment events will support eligible families interested in applying for ACP, answer questions about the ACP benefit, and provide hands-on assistance with the application. Patrons will be encouraged to bring the required documents to apply.

To participate in an enrollment event and learn how you can help your patrons Get Connected!, please visit <https://forms.gle/k6YiHeH8Suwhvxy97>. For more information on ACP please visit: www.internetforallnow.org/applytoday.



Santiago Meeting Dates

Approved May 17, 2022

2022/23

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

2:00pm

Huntington Beach

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

2:00pm

Orange County Public Law

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

2:00pm

Orange Public Library

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

2:00pm

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