

Kentucky's State Focused Action Plan

This State Focused Action Plan reflects data gathered in creating our State Forecast for Federal Depository Libraries in June, 2012. During July and August, 2012, we discussed this plan via our depository library discussion list, KySelect, and the text below is a result of those discussions.

Initiatives - All Libraries:

Initiative 1: Kentucky depository libraries will actively work together to develop collections to meet user needs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Actions/Plans: To accomplish this depository libraries will:

- 1.1 Identify collections needed to support areas of research, curriculum, local needs, civic engagement or institutional strengths
 - 1.2 Coordinate collection development/weeding projects to ensure that tangible materials remain available to the state by using the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries' Disposition Database to offer eligible discards to each other
 - 1.3 Create and post collection development plans for all depositories
 - 1.4 Explore ways to connect with non-depository libraries to expand access to depository collections
 - 1.5 Select and catalog as many digital federal depository titles as possible
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Initiative 2: Kentucky depository libraries will collaboratively share expertise and provide outreach, training, and mentoring for both libraries and users in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Actions/Plans: To accomplish this depository libraries will:

- 2.1 Promote the availability and diversity of collections throughout the Commonwealth, including non-library organizations
 - 2.2 Develop and enhance peer sharing programs offered through professional organizations
 - 2.3 Develop a state-wide mentoring program to assist new Depository Librarians
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- 2.4 Explore alternate avenues for peer sharing, such as social media applications and web conferencing
- 2.5 Consistently train users and non-depository librarians, especially those in public libraries, on the access to and availability of government information
- 2.6 Explore ways to increase the online presence for the depository library system in Kentucky that will promote services, resources, training tools and access at all depositories in the state

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Initiative 3: Kentucky depository libraries will increase participation in the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries' (ASERL) Center of Excellence (COE) initiative to further the development of deeper and richer depository collections in the state.

Actions/Plans: To accomplish this depository libraries will:

- 3.1 Consider adopting an agency or sub-agency as their COE contribution
- 3.2 Develop a state-wide plan for a mentoring program to assist librarians in completing the application process for becoming a COE
 - 3.2.1 Existing COE libraries will promote the advantages and benefits of their COE status with non-COE depository librarians in Kentucky
 - 3.2.2 COE librarians will offer suggestions and provide assistance to other depository librarians as they consider becoming a COE
 - 3.2.3 Explore avenues for carrying out the mentoring program through the current discussion lists and professional meetings
 - 3.2.4 Establish ongoing support and mentoring, as needed, for new COE librarians

Initiatives – All Libraries

Initiative 4: Kentucky depository libraries will actively work together to preserve and improve access to depository collections to meet the future federal government information needs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Actions/Plans: To accomplish this depository libraries will:

- 4.1. Support the infrastructure to collect, organize, provide access to, disseminate and preserve collections needed by users
- 4.2. Create bibliographic access to materials in all formats, including retrospective collections, held by all depositories in Kentucky
- 4.3. Develop agreements between the Regional, ASERL and appropriate Selective depositories regarding retention and continued development of particularly strong depository collections (see Initiative 3)
- 4.4. Examine the possibility of establishing a state-wide initiative to digitize depository titles that are important to the state but are in danger of loss due to damage or deterioration/age

We certify that the above State Focused Action Plan represents a group effort and is based on the responses to the FDLP Library and State Forecasts from FDLP members in this state or Federal depository region. Individuals with primary responsibility for FDLP collections within our state have met, discussed our state and individual FDLP Forecast questionnaire answers, and collaborated to document the goals and actions or plans for this State Focused Action Plan.

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