



ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH LIBRARIES

COLLABORATIVE FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM [CFDP] Program Update - November 2018

Participating Libraries

- 37 of ASERL's 38 members are FDLP libraries; 12 Regional Depositories in 10 states.
- 42 libraries serve as Centers of Excellence (COE) as part of this program; 31 are Selective Depositories, and 9 COE libraries (22%) are located in the Southeast but are not members of ASERL. North Carolina State University is the newest Center of Excellence (June 2018), covering the Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service and the North Carolina Soil Surveys.

Governance

The ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program is governed through a two-tiered structure to foster the growth of the program and provide support and management for long-term, efficient and effective operations.

- FDLP Deans Committee members are Cecelia Botero (OleMiss), Martin Halbert (UNC-G) and Judy Russell (U-Florida).
- CFDP Steering Committee members are Renee Bosman (UNC-CH), Mary Clark (Library of VA), Abigail Desoto (LaTech), Chelsea Dinsmore (U-FL), David Durant (ECU), Amy Laub-Carroll (U-KY), Judy Russell (U-FL) and Bill Sudduth (USC), who serves as Chair.
- The CFDP governing committees conducted a review and revision of the "Guidelines for Management and Disposition of Federal Depository Library Collections in the Southeast — Implementation Plan" (last reviewed and revised in 2012). The revised Guidelines were approved by ASERL deans/directors via electronic vote in August and affirmed by the ASERL Board in September.

Additional activities under consideration:

- **Retention of Superseded Publications:** A voluntary review of superseded items to determine which Regional Libraries already have a significant historical collection and are willing to expand them into comprehensive, cataloged sets. Selective libraries may also be enlisted in support of this initiative.
- **Substitution of Microfiche and Commercial Products:** A voluntary review of dual distribution items and commercial products that may have been substituted for official print publications to determine which Depository Libraries already have significant historical collections of official print items and are willing to expand them into comprehensive sets.
- **State Plans:** The FDLP Dean's committee had identified the need to review existing State Plans for states in the Southeast Region and adjust them, if necessary, so they do not conflict with this Implementation Plan.

Center of Excellence Collections

- COE libraries have adopted six Cabinet-level agencies, 1 format collection (maps), 3 subject collections (Panama Canal, Cuba and the City of Atlanta) and 230 SuDoc classifications. 15 agencies have been adopted by a second COE.

- 5 COE libraries have signed agreements with GPO to become Preservation Steward Libraries for their COE collections, supporting the continued public access to historic U.S. Government documents:
 - The **University of Florida**, the **University of Kentucky** and the **University of South Carolina** (the 3 initial COE libraries established under the IMLS grant), and the **University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill** and the **University of Virginia**, both COEs since 2011.
- Hollins University (COE for the Women’s Bureau – also covered by Duke University) and the Georgia State University (Subject COE for the City of Atlanta) have elected to discontinue participation in the program. A minimum of 24 months’ prior notice is required to allow the library time to make provisions for the disposition or transfer of materials, and to finalize any outstanding activities for their COE collection; both institutions will be removed from the program in August 2020.

Outreach and Communication

- Depository Coordinators from the ASERL region attended a lunch meeting at the Depository Library Council (DLC) Meeting in Washington, DC on October 23, 2018. 23 People attended. Seven programs on the DLC meeting agenda were presented by Depository Coordinators from the ASERL region.
- Plans are in development for a Town Hall e-meeting for the ASERL documents community, to be scheduled in February 2019.

GPO – Government Publishing Office

- New [Guidelines for Establishing Shared Regional Depository Libraries](#) (effective October 22, 2018) allows more flexibility for libraries in managing their depository collections and in providing services to them.
- FDLP eXchange, a national needs and offers database developed by GPO, was released for public use in June. Libraries using the ASERL Documents Disposition Database are able to export both their Needs Lists and Expired Offers lists into FDLP eXchange. This functionality eliminates duplication of effort and promotes use of the FDLP eXchange database, improving gap-filling at the national level.

ASERL Disposition Database

The University of Florida developed and hosts the ASERL Disposition Database to facilitate the disposition of federal documents within the Southeast as a means of supporting the Guidelines for Managing FDLP Collections in the Southeast Region. There are 11 service areas represented in the Disposition Database: Alabama, Florida (← includes Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands), Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and Maryland (← includes District of Columbia and Delaware). This represents 305 depository libraries, of which 223 are using the database to manage their disposition process.

In FY2018 – **294,803** documents were posted to the ASERL Disposition Database for “adoption” by other FDLP libraries, of which 10,609 documents were claimed. Of those claimed, **5,399** documents were claimed for use in **Center of Excellence** collections; the others were claimed for non-COE parts of local FDLP collections. Since the database was launched in 2012, more than **78,500** documents posted for disposal have been claimed by another library and added to their collections. Of these, more than **39,000** were claimed for COE collections.