EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE

September 20, 2022

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AGENDA

South Carolina House of Representatives



Legislative Oversight Committee EDUCATION AND CULTURAL SUBCOMMITTEE The Honorable Jeffrey E. "Jeff" Johnson, Chair The Honorable Kambrell H. Garvin The Honorable Max T. Hyde, Jr. The Honorable Michael F. Rivers, Sr.

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 10:30AM Blatt 321

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AGENDA

- I. Approval of minutes
- II. Discussion of the study of the South Carolina State Library
- III. Adjournment

MINUTES

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Legislative Oversight Committee

Monday, June 27, 2022 10:00 am Blatt Room 321

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Attendance

I. The Education and Cultural Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair Jeffrey E. "Jeff" Johnson on Monday, June 6, 2022, in Room 321 of the Blatt Building. All members were present for all or a portion of the meeting.

Minutes

I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not have to be verbatim accounts of meetings.

Approval of Minutes

I. Representative Kambrell H. Gavin makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from prior meeting. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Garvin's motion to approve meeting minutes.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Garvin	✓		
Rep. Hyde	✓		
Rep. Rivers			✓ (Not Present)
Rep. J. Johnson	✓		

Discussion of State Library

- I. Chair Johnson reminds State Library personnel that they remain under oath.
- II. Director Leesa Aiken and Deputy Director Chris Yates continue to provide an overview of agency operations. Topics of discussion include:
 - a. E-Rate/Universal Services Assistance to Public Libraries;
 - b. Information Technology assistance and support for public libraries;
 - c. Public library support: circulating kits;
 - d. Public library development consulting services;
 - e. Library signage audit;
 - f. Communication strategies
 - g. Grant workshops;
 - h. Youth mental health first aid;
 - i. Web accessibility;
 - j. Welcome Table SC;
 - k. Interactive sign language;
 - 1. SC early learning centers;
 - m. Summer reading and learning grant workshops;
 - n. International games day and ore at your library;
 - o. Literacy 2030;
 - p. Training/continuing education online
 - q. Public library support;
 - r. Public library staff development;
 - s. Library role in emergencies and natural disasters;
 - t. Public library director orientation;
 - u. Public librarian certification programs;
 - v. Public libraries survey;
 - w. State funds to support libraries;
 - x. Strategic direction;
 - y. Research and reference assistance;
 - z. Acquisitions;
 - aa. Library resources;
 - bb. Grants research collection and workshops;
 - cc. Subject guides;
 - dd. Interlibrary loan;
 - ee. Services to institutions and incarcerated individuals;

- ff. Certified public manager program assistance;
- gg. Communications;
- hh. Library voices SC podcast;
- ii. Impact grants for local projects;
- jj. Planning grants for public libraries;
- kk. Minigrants to public libraries;
- ll. Check out SC backpacks;
- mm. Literacy therapy dog;
- nn. K-12 School Technology Initiative;
- oo. Friends of South Carolina libraries;
- pp. Library jobs;
- qq. Preservation;
- rr. Digital projects;
- ss. Rare book collection;
- tt. Federal document depository; and
- uu. StudySC.
- III. Subcommittee members ask questions relating to the following:
 - a. Group purchasing program for county libraries:
 - b. Information Technology assistance and support for public libraries;
 - c. Legacy network systems;
 - d. Gaming;
 - e. Consulting;
 - f. Training;
 - g. Agency evaluation of programs;
 - h. Public library support exchanges;
 - i. Survey;
 - j. State library card usage;
 - k. Data usage for agency decision making;
 - 1. Research and reference assistance;

- m. Outreach about grants research information;
- n. Inmates requests;
- o. Library unitization by patrons;
- p. Podcasts;
- q. Funding for various grants;
- r. Check out SC backpacks;
- s. Literacy dog;
- t. SC Plant the Seed project;
- u. Acquisitions;
- v. Digitization of documents;
- w. Exhibit marketing; and
- x. Literary landmark designation program.

Agency staff respond to the members' questions.

Adjournment

I. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.

STUDY TIMELINE

Timeline of Agency Study

The House Legislative Oversight Committee's (Committee) process for studying the South Carolina State Library (agency, Department, or State Library) includes actions by the full Committee; Education and Cultural (Subcommittee); the agency; and the public. Key dates and actions are listed below.

December 9, 2019	At Meeting 1, the Committee selects the South Carolina State Accident Fund as the next agency for the Healthcare and Regulatory Subcommittee to study.
January 15, 2020	The Committee provides the agency with <u>notice</u> about the oversight process.
February 28 – April 1, 2020	The Committee solicits input from the public about the agency in the form of an online public survey.
May 20, 2020	The South Carolina State Library Fund submits its Program Evaluation Report.
April 8, 2021	At Meeting 2, the Committee receives public input regarding the agencies selected for study, to include State Accident Fund.
January 26, 2022	The Subcommittee holds Meeting 3 with the agency to discuss an overview of its mission, history, resources, major programs, successes, challenges, and emerging issues.
June 6, 2022	The Subcommittee holds Meeting 4 with the agency to discuss its mission, history, resources, major programs, successes, challenges, and emerging issues.
June 27, 2022	The Subcommittee holds Meeting 5 with the agency to discuss its agency deliverables.
September 20, 2022	The Subcommittee holds Meeting 6 with the agency to discuss agency deliverables and law change recommendations.

Figure 3. Summary of key dates and actions in the study process

AGENCY SNAPSHOT

History

- · 1929- South Carolina state library board was created
- 1943 –General Assembly began funding the South Carolina State Library Board.
- · 1969- By order of the General Assembly, the South Carolina State Library Board was officially reorganized and became the South Carolina State Library.
- · 2004- DISCUS launched a billboard campaign to promote databases for children
- 2017- The Inclusive Services Center created to provide services relating to diversity and inclusion.

South Carolina State Library

Agency Mission We serve the people of South Carolina by supporting state government and libraries to provide opportunities for learning in a changing environment.

Successes

Identified by the agency

Organizational Units

- Administration
- Finance
- Statewide Development
- Library Development
- Statewide Development
- Info Technology

- Communications
- · Talking Book Services
- Library Services and Resources
- Library Collections and Services
- · Electronic Resources

Resources (FY 22-23)

Authorized FTEs

filled FTE positions at the start of the year

> Funding \$22,546,266

appropriated and authorized

- ·Leaders in addressing statewide equity issues relating to broadband connectivity
- National participation in library service development
- Digitizing state documents

Current:

- · Retaining qualified staff
- Lacking funding to procure and sustain necessary resources
- Lacking proper parking in the surrounding capital complex area

Emerging:

- · Lacking authorization to hire staff
- · Lacking appropriate parking
- · Digitizing documents

dentified by the agency Challenges

AGENCY PRESENTATION



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PROGRAM EVALUATION REPORT

<u>Agency Deliverables - Participation</u>

Deliverable Group 3

Strategic Direction III: Participation

The South Carolina State Library provides equitable access to information.

Departments Involved:

- Communications
- Electronic Resources
- Library Development
- Library Resources and Services
- Statewide Development
- Talking Book Services





State Legislator Resources

District Profiles created with specific information:

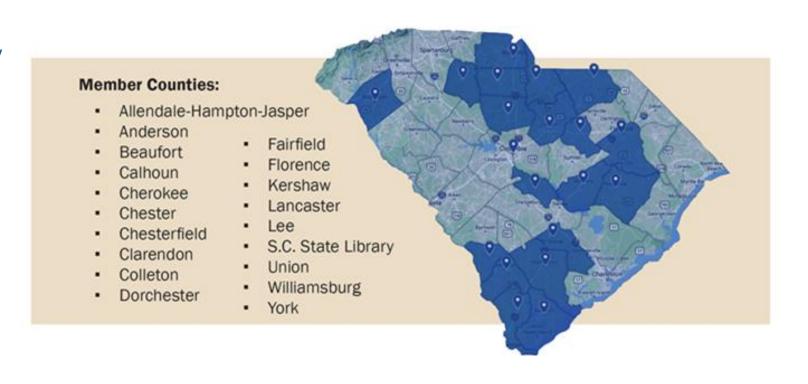
- Demographics
- Education
- Health
- Crime
- Taxes and Revenue
- Voter Registrations
- Commerce and Workforce





SCLENDS: Purpose and Partnership

- 20 libraries participate
- 2.63 Million items = shared holdings of 20 libraries
- Available to 1.5 Million Users
- 755,131 Active SCLENDS Cardholders
- 2.84 Million Items Borrowed
- State Library Pays \$36,000 Annually







- Subscription databases provided for homework and informational purposes
- Content curated from vetted resources
- Read-aloud text and language translation available
- Closed captioning for movies and videos
- Annual cost \$2,500,000
- Over \$54,000,000 in cost avoidance every year by leveraging State's funds
- 2016 2019, Accessed **52,291,165**





Discovery Service

Discus

- Google-like search engine searches multiple databases
- Ad-free full text articles, eBooks, biographies, tests, images, and videos
 - SmartSearch Kids for young students and only searches four
 Discus databases to return a manageable number of results
 - SmartSearch for older students and searches approximately 40
 Discus databases and AP videos
 - SmartSearch Plus for State Library cardholders and the general public and searches 45 Discus and State Library resources





3K-Kindergarten

Resources include:

- Animated movies
- Videos
- eBooks
- Interactive quizzes
- Games
- Activities



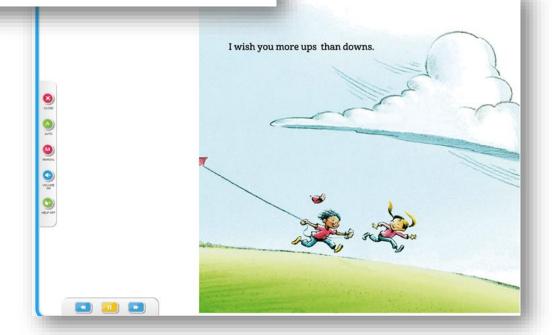




Holiday Kids: All about St. Patrick's Day

Full Video







Grades 1-5

Databases used by Grades 1-5:

- Animal Kingdom
- Biography in Context
- Britannica Elementary
- CultureGrams
- Escolar for young Spanish speakers
- Magic School Bus
- PebbleGo Next Biographies
- TumbleBooks
- World Almanac for Kids Elementary

Resources include:

- Animated movies
- Videos
- Interactive quizzes
- Games and activities
- Encyclopedia articles
- Images
- News articles







Berkeley County Schools practicing research skills with The World Almanac for Kids and Discus.



Grades 6-8

Discus

Resources include:

- Full-text journal and magazine articles
- Videos
- Interactive quizzes
- Games and activities
- Encyclopedia and news articles



Twenty-Five Databases Offered including:

- Biography in Context
- Britannica Middle School
- CultureGrams
- DK Eyewitness eBooks
- Escolar for young Spanish speakers
- Learn360

- LearningExpress Library
- Magic School Bus
- Opposing Viewpoints in Context
- Peterson's Career Prep
- Teen BookCloud
- World Almanac for Kids Intermediate



Grades 9-12



Databases include:

- Auto Repair Source
- Biography in Context
- Bloom's Literature
- Britannica High School
- Credo Reference
- CultureGrams
- Encyclopedia
 Moderna for older
 Spanish speakers

- Opposing Viewpoints in Context
- Peterson's Career Prep
- Points of View Reference Center
- Science Reference Center

Resources include:

- Full text journal and magazine articles
- Videos
- eBooks & images
- Science experiments
- Encyclopedia and news articles









Homeschools

Provide a safe learning environment utilizing online, interactive subscription databases for Pre K-12 students to assist with all content areas:

- English language arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social studies
- Health
- Visual and performing arts
- STEM and STEAM

By Subject

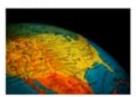
Best Bets



Education



Geography



Jobs & Career Resources



Science & Technology

Business, Economics, & Legal



Facts & General Reference



Health & Medical



Literature & Language Arts



Social Studies

Current Issues



Famous People



History



News



South Carolina



Families



Popular family resources include:

- Alt HealthWatch
- Auto Repair Source
- Small Business Reference Center
- Consumer Health Complete
- Newspaper Source Plus
- Peterson's Career Prep







Educators

Databases are used by:

- Teachers
- Guidance counselors
- Media specialists
- Career specialists



Victoria Inskeep with Liberty Hill Academy learns about using Discus resources to motivate her students.

Interactive databases have:

- Lessons Plans
- Science Experiments
- Practice Tests
- Interactive Career Tests
- Ebooks
- Videos
- Activities
- Maps
- Timelines



Educators



All content areas include:

- English language arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social studies
- Health
- Visual and performing arts
- STEM and STEAM



Mr. Reaves, math teacher at Palmetto Middle School uses the printable handouts in World Almanac for Kids - Intermediate with his afternoon class!

Resources are content-rich and include:

- Biographies
- World cultures
- Financial literacy
- Career assessments
- Test preparation
- Many other subjects that prepare students for graduation



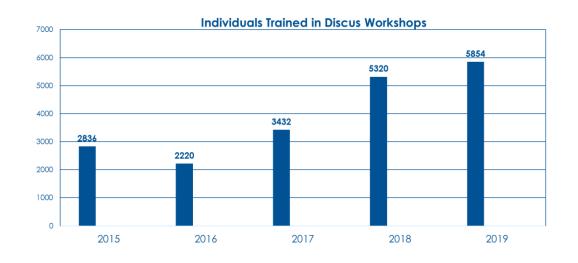
Discus Training

- Statewide conferences: Early Childhood Literacy, SC EdTech, Education & Business Summit, LIBRIS, SCASL, and more
- Sessions provided statewide: face-to-face workshops and online training
- Onsite live workshop for educators, media specialists, and librarians
- Provided training to the Department of Social Services for their statewide foster family and group home program
- Partnering with the Department of Education on a Learning Object Repository











Discus Homeschool Training



eLearning Pilot

Partnered with the Education Oversight Committee and SC ETV to implement Proviso 1A.86 of the 2018-19 General Appropriation Act

- Pilot districts were:
 - Anderson 5
 - Kershaw
 - Pickens
 - Spartanburg 1
 - Spartanburg 7
- The SC State Library provided:
 - Face to face trainings
 - Handouts by resource and age
 - Learning Management System integration instructions
 - A series of videos targeted specifically to the eLearning districts







Tips for Creating eLearning Lessons

- Utilize your Learning Management System (LMS) to effectively
 communicate with your students. Make sure your instructions are clear and
 precise. You can place links to resources to be used along with any rubrics or
 other materials needed for the lesson.
- Create instructional videos so that instructions are clear to your students.
 Simply posting written instructions in your Learning Management System (LMS) may not be enough for your students to understand your instructions and expectations for an assignment. Create a screencast (using tools like <u>Screencastify, Screencast-O-Matic</u>, etc.) so students can see and hear the instructions. You could also use tools like <u>jorad</u> to create tutorial documents.
- Use online assessment tools to assess understanding of the lesson. There
 are many online assessment tools available that allow you get immediate
 feedback so you can monitor and evaluate learning
 (Quizizz, Socrative, Formative, Google Forms, etc.). Most of these tools have
 teacher-created assessments that are already created and allow editing if
- Keep in mind the amount of time needed to complete the assigned work.

 Lessons do not need to be the length of time of the actual class.
- Make sure your students understand the district's procedures for working
 offline and/or downloading resources. Students that do not have internet
 access at home will need to download materials and make sure their devices are
 set to work offline.

Need more help?

TUTORIALS FOR PBS LEARNING MEDIA

- PBS Learning Media 101
- PBS Learning Media Help



DOWNLOAD THE SCETV APP

PBS FCC Subscribe





PASCAL Users

- PASCAL Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries, a consortium of South Carolina's academic libraries
- Partnership allows the State Library and PASCAL to combine funding to negotiate and purchase subscription academic resources for students at SC colleges of higher education to use in research and career preparation.

PASCAL E-Resources



Core Electronic Resources

Databases

PASCAL provides access to the following databases for all member libraries. In general, patrons a

- Academic Search Premier
- Literature Resource Center
- · Institute of Physics Archives
- 3D Human Anatomy & Physiology
- Nature Journal Archives (1950-2011)
- Scientific American Journal Archives (1948-2011)

E-Books

PASCAL provides member institutions over 300,000 unique e-book titles through three platforms:

- ProQuest Ebook Central Subscription & Demand Driven Acquisition (DDA)
- · EBSCO Academic Collection Subscription package
- · Oxford UPSO Psychology Perpetual access





Unemployed & Underemployed Citizens

Provide resources to assist persons:

- Researching careers
- Career test preparation
- GED
- Citizenship practice tests
- Videos
- eBooks

Peterson's Career Prep includes:

- Interactive career assessment tool
- Resume builder
- Cover letter creator
- Ability to search and apply for jobs

LearningExpress Library includes:

- Practice tests for WorkKeys and GED preparation
- eBooks about job and career goals, focusing on workplace skills such as resume building, interviewing, job search and assessment, and business writing
- Core computer skills tests and practice activities in LearningExpress Library



Non English Speakers

educational tools for:

- Provide electronic resources that assist non English speakers with
 - Research
 - News updates
 - Language assistance
 - Literacy
- TumbleBooks Library contains read aloud books in Spanish and French for young learners







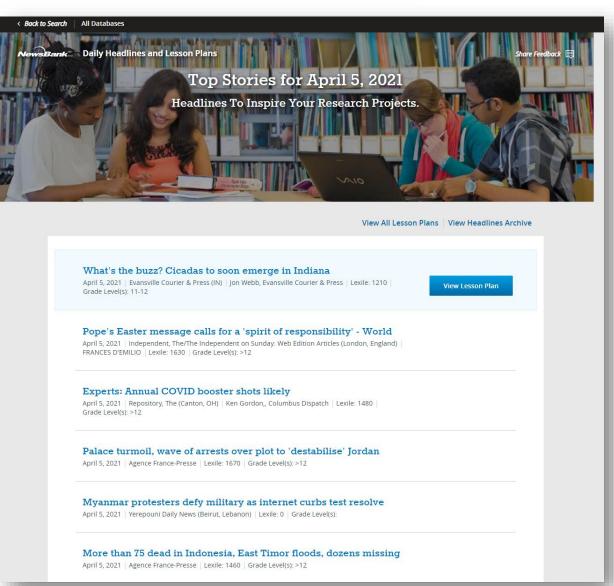




General Public

Access to electronic newspaper subscriptions:

- Provides over 1,000 full-text US
 newspapers of major titles including
 USA Today, Christian Science Monitor,
 The Washington Post, and others
- Provides articles from over 600
 additional U.S. newspapers and over
 100 historical and current S.C.
 newspapers, including The State from
 1891 current



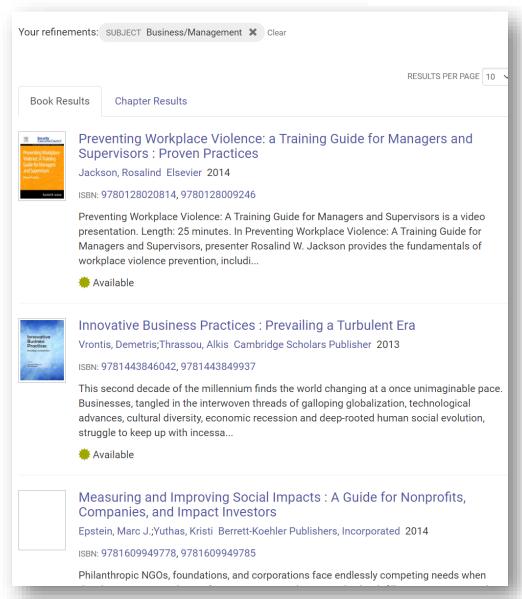




State Library eBook subscriptions provide access to a custom online library of 5,357 eBook titles on:

- Business
- Desktop and web applications
- Digital media, engineering
- Information technology and software development
- Math and science
- Personal and professional development







Summer Reading Program Coordination

Materials include:

- Program manuals for each library system
- Promotional materials
- Consultation
- Computer software
- Read throughout the summer
- Summer Slide skills lost
- Encourage lifelong learners

- \$1,000 Grants to library systems
- Offer programs:
 - Locally interesting
 - Meet local needs
 - Promote reading for enjoyment
 - Bring children and families to the library
- Example: In 2019, the Colleton County Public Library hosted more than 27 programs







Read To Succeed Summer Camps Book Awards to Public Libraries

Read to Succeed legislation, Act 284 enacted by Legislature in 2014

- Mandated for children not reading at grade level
- Pilot Program to 10 Read to Succeed Summer Camps through partnership with public libraries
- Opportunity to build a stronger collaboration with the Department of Education and libraries
- Provided book collections to ten libraries
- Put books into the hands of students
- Increase literacy and ability
- Influence family reading habits
- 2,400 Children served





Union County Library Summer Reading Program

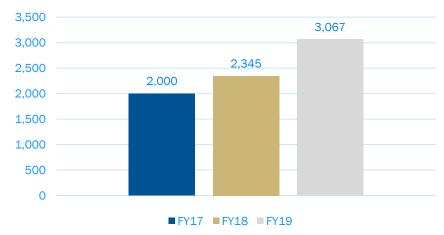


ReadSC Projects: Read-In

- Encourage Literacy!
- Kids Who Read Succeed
- Event:
 - Parade
 - State House Program
 - Reading on the State House lawn
- Partner Organizations:
 - South Carolina Association of School Librarians
 - First Steps
 - University of South Carolina Cocky's Reading Express
 - Department of Education
 - Columbia Fireflies







*FY19 event canceled due to weather; 3,067 registered

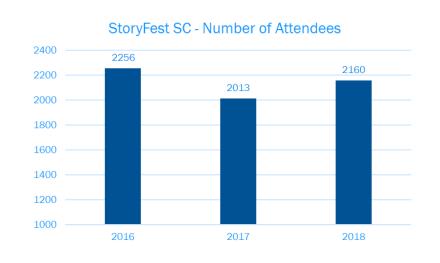


StoryfestSC

- Kickoff for summer reading
- Literacy-focused event:
 - Two Authors
 - Storytelling
 - Reading
 - Signed books
 - Full day at State Museum
 - Readers theatre
 - Music
- Multicultural celebration



Storyfest 2016



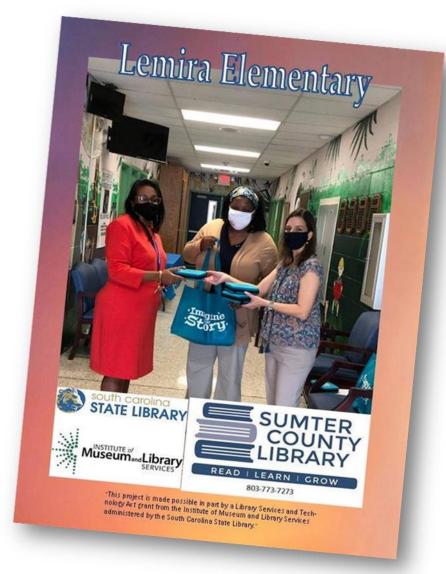


Storyfest 2017



Homework Help Center and Broadband Expansion Project Program

- Pilot program
- Create program to serve students:
 - Complete school assignments
 - Provide afterschool assistance
 - Expand internet connectivity
- 745 devices deployed





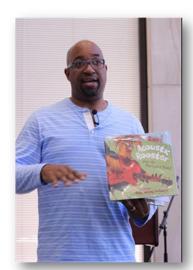


Young Minds Dreaming Poetry Contest

- More than 600 students
- Open to students in grades 3rd through 12th, including homeschoolers
- Encourages young writers to capture the power of their words
- Nationally recognized award-winning Poets
- Students read their poems aloud at a celebration filmed by South Carolina ETV







2018 – Kwame Alexander - Newbery medal winner and New York Times bestselling author and poet STATE LIBRARY



2019 – Juan Felipe Herrera - US Poet Laureate, Mexican-American poet and author



2017 - Jacqueline Woodson - Award-winning author-poet and former National Ambassador for Young People's Literature

ReadSC: Letters About Literature



- Reading-writing contest
- Personal letter to an author, living or dead, from any genre, explaining how that author's work changed their way of thinking about the world
- Three competition levels with three winners at each level: elementary, middle, and high school

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Letters About Literature Participants







2019

SC Plants the Seed

- Promote early literacy
- Provide education on nutrition
- Provide access to healthier foods
- Provide education about safe food preparation
- Food desert
- Target low-income and rural populations
- Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) Benefits
- \$5.00 = \$10.00 of SNAP Healthy Bucks
- Local farmers Fresh Produce
- Free books and fresh produce
- Partnership between:
 - Department of Social Services
 - Department of Health and Environmental Control
 - Public libraries
 - Certified South Carolina Farmers











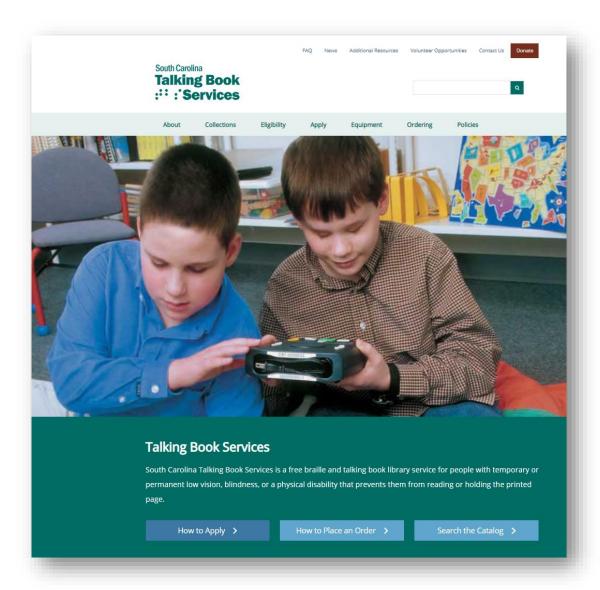






Talking Book Services

- Program is a free braille and talking book library service for people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding the printed page
- The rate of vision loss is expected to double by 2030 as the baby boom generation ages
- Any South Carolina resident who is unable to read or use standard print materials as a result of:
 - Temporary or permanent visual or physical limitations
 - Low vision due to problems such as macular degeneration
 - Blindness
 - Physical conditions such as paralysis, missing arms or hands, lack of muscle coordination, or prolonged weakness that prevents a person from holding a book or turning pages
 - Reading disabilities such as dyslexia
 - Institutions serving people with qualifying conditions







Talking Book Services Collection

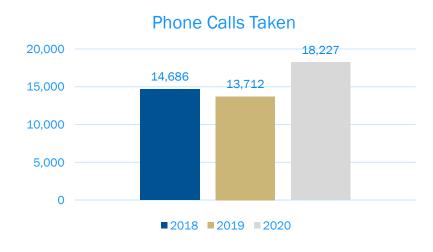
- Playback Equipment and books on digital cartridges are mailed to patrons
- Implementation of Duplication On Demand has streamlined distribution with the ability load multiple book titles on a single cartridge
- BARD is a web-based, password-protected service that provides online access to thousands of audio and braille books, magazines, and music scores
- Allows patrons to download titles to their computer, tablet or smartphone
- Large print books
- Descriptive DVDs provide enhanced and additional commentary to feature films
- Provide specialized circulation and reader advisor services

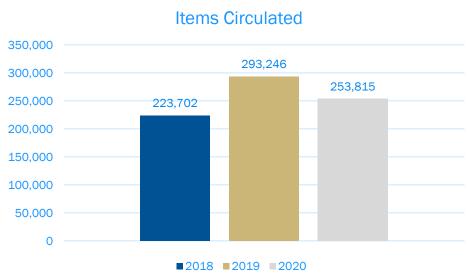


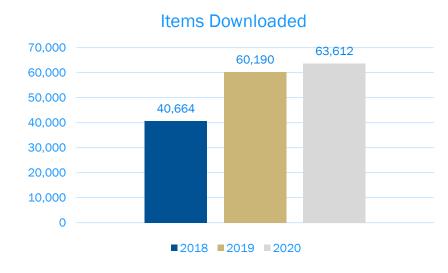


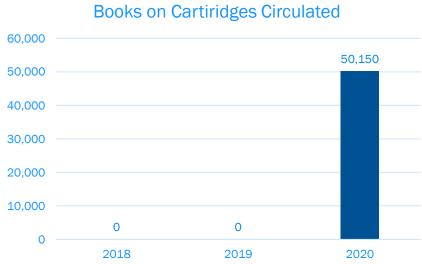


Talking Book Services Patron Stats









Talking Book Services Vision Education Partnership Participation

The group meets regularly to collaborate for services related to blind and visually-disabled

- Member agencies include:
 - South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind.
 - South Carolina State Department of Education Office of Special Education Services.
 - USC Upstate Visual Impairment Education Program.
 - South Carolina State University Orientation & Mobility Program.
 - Medical University of South Carolina Storm Eye Institute. South Carolina Commission for the Blind
 - National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina.
 - Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind & Visually Impaired (SC Chapter).
 - The Vision Institute of South Carolina

















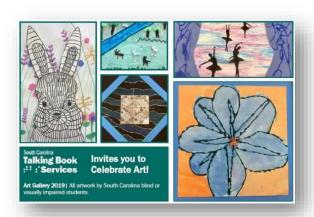


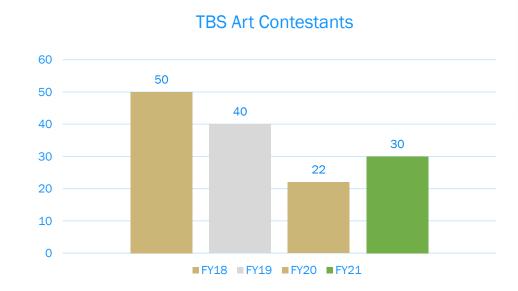




Talking Book Services Annual Student Art Contest

- Annual student art exhibit features artwork created by blind or visually impaired students
- Exhibit highlights the artistic abilities of elementary, middle, high, and homeschooled students











Talking Book Services: Annual Signature Public Program, Led By Love

- TBS hosted an author talk by Michael Hingson for Blindness Awareness Month
- Hingson, a blind survivor of the 9/11 attack on the World Trade Center, told his life story and detailed how he and his guide dog made it out of the Twin Towers alive









Talking Book Services: Collaborations

- Staff conduct training for collaborative agencies through conferences, taskforces and special committees
- National Federation of the Blind (NFB), South Carolina Commission for the Blind and South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind (SCSDB)
- Patrons who are incarcerated but have a qualifying condition receive service





Rocky Bottom Children's Camp of the Blind



South Carolina

Talking Book Services Volunteer Program

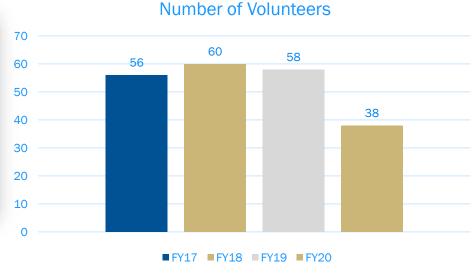
South Carolina **Talking Book ::: : Services**

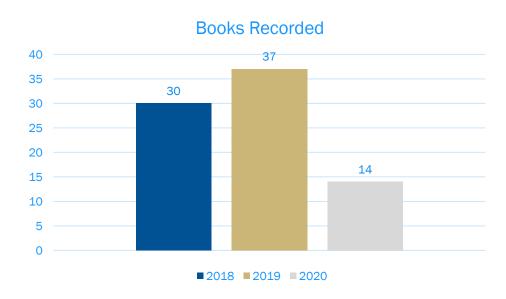
- Trained to read and record books
 - Specific to South Carolina traditions and culture
 - Uploaded to the National Library
 Service for the Blind for nationwide use
- Mobile Recording Studio
- Machine Repair















RECOMMENDED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Summary Recommendations

Summary of Change

Update language to current best practices.

Impacted Sections:

- Section 60-1-80
- Section 60-1-120
- Section 60-1-170

Recommended Change

Change Language:

- "Elderly" to "people who are elderly"
- "Physically handicapped" to "people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding a printed page"
- "Poor" to "people with low income"
- "Physically handicapped" to "Print Disabled"

Recommendations

• SECTION 60-1-80. State Library to provide to provide assistance to public libraries and county governments.

"...(e) plan and coordinate the provision of library services to groups with special needs, including but not limited to the elderly, the physically handicapped, people who are elderly, people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding a printed page, the unemployed, the underemployed, the poor, people with low income, the functionally illiterate, and those persons people ..."

• SECTION 60-1-120. Library services to be rendered to blind and physically handicapped print disabled readers

Library services to be rendered to blind and physically handicapped readers—people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding a printed page. The South Carolina State Library shall provide library service to the blind and physically handicapped readers people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding a printed page in cooperation with the United States Library of Congress. The State Library shall provide books and other reading matter in recorded form, in braille, in large type, or any other medium of reading used by the blind and physically handicapped—people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding a printed page. To this end, the State Library is authorized to contract with the appropriate federal agency or any library for the blind and physically handicapped—people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or holding a printed page. Services must be rendered in accordance with applicable federal regulations and consistent with the current standards and guidelines for service for the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Print Disabled.

• SECTION 60-1-170. Authority of director to cooperate with United States Department of Education and other agencies in the administration of funds.

"... and for library services to the blind and physically handicapped print disabled."

Summary Recommendations

Summary of Change

Eliminate or update out of date language from 1985 regarding technology and services. Language related to contracts does not follow current procurement code. Language related to qualifications of library staff at state institutions is not enforceable by the State Library.

Impacted Sections:

Section 60-1-110

Section 60-1-140

Section 60-1-150

Recommended Change

Eliminate Language:

- · Related to qualifications of library staff of state institutions.
- Related to entering into contracts.

Change Language:

- "Network Computer system and telecommunication systems" to "electronic resources."
- "Create computer programs and data bases" to "electronic resources."

Recommendations

- SECTION 60-1-110. State Library to assist libraries of state institutions.
 - "... (c)... institution, <u>and</u> the availability of library services to the institutional population, the qualification of personnel for staffing of a library, and the institution's commitment to annual budgetary support for library services."
- **SECTION 60-1-140**. State Library to establish statewide library network.
 - "... (d) ... establish and operate a network computer system and telecommunication systems which will expedite for interlibrary loan, reference, and referral; (e) acquire or create computer programs and data bases electronic resources and make them available to libraries of the network;"
- SECTION 60-1-150. Authority of public libraries to participate in statewide library network; authority of director to allow participation.
 - "The director of the State Library, subject to the approval of the State Library Board, has the power to enter into agreements with any library located in the State, including private and federal libraries. to allow participation in the state resource sharing network and for coordination of the state library program with any library.

Summary Recommendations

Summary of Change

Update out of date language from 1985 to correspond with legislative changes made in 2000.

Impacted Sections:

Section 60-1-90

Chapter 75-1

Recommended Change

Update to Corresponding Language:

- Local funding cannot be less than provided in the two preceding years. (Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 60-1-80, Code of Regulations Chapter 75-1, 7c)
- Legislation applies to all libraries regardless of population size

Change Language:

- "Data bases" to "electronic resources"
- Outdated budget percentages to "balanced budget"

Recommendations

• **SECTION 60-1-90.** Administration of state and federal grants to public libraries;

"...In order to qualify for grants, <u>local funding cannot be less than provided in the two preceding years</u>. libraries shall meet maintenance of effort requirements set by the State Library Board in accord with state and federal regulations."

• Code of Regulations 75-1. Use of State Aid Funds.

"...A...(1) Each public library serving a population of 10,000 or more ..."

"...D...(2) Provide remote access to statewide databases electronic resources coordinated by the South Carolina State Library...(4) Adopt an a balanced annual budget with balanced proportions among personnel (65% - 70%), information resources (15% - 20%), and maintenance (10% - 20%)...

Summary Recommendations

Summary of Change

Add language regarding blindness or low vision. Eliminate or update out of date language from 1962 and 1985 to current practices. Two changes relate to requirements pertaining to entering into procurement contracts. Language related to contracts does not follow current procurement code.

Impacted Sections:

Section 60-1-10

Section 60-1-20

Section 60-1-40

Recommended Change

Add Language:

• Two Board Members who are blind or have low vision.

Change Language:

"Secretary" to "South Carolina State Library Director"

Eliminate Language:

Related to the authority to enter into contracts for the state

Recommendations

- SECTION 60-1-10. "... Establishment of South Carolina State Library Board;..."
 - "...The State Library Board shall consist of seven members, one from each of the seven Congressional Districts, of whom two shall meet the legal definition of blindness as defined in Section 43-25-20 or have permanent low vision."

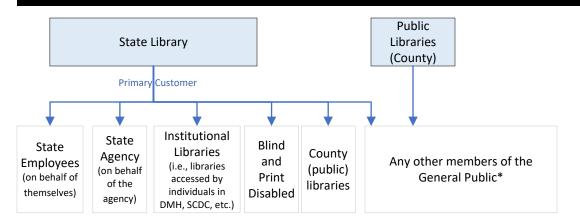
- SECTION 60-1-20. Chairman and vice-chairman of board: other officers; board meetings; compensation of members.
 - "...The secretary South Carolina State Library Director shall attend board meetings but may not vote on any matter before the board."

- SECTION 60-1-40. Duties and authority of board.
 - "...c) shall prescribe standards of service for South Carolina libraries as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter; (d) shall administer and distribute state and federal funds or grants from public and private sources in accordance with law and board regulations to county, state institutional, and other libraries in the State:"
 - "...(f) is authorized to enter into contracts with any person or governmental entity to provide, extend, improve, or coordinate library services or to demonstrate appropriate programs of library services; (g) is authorized to enter into interstate library compacts on behalf of the State for the purpose of improving library services to the citizens of the State;



INTERNAL OPERATIONS: FLOWCHARTS

Who do libraries serve?



4 year College Libraries
(public and private)

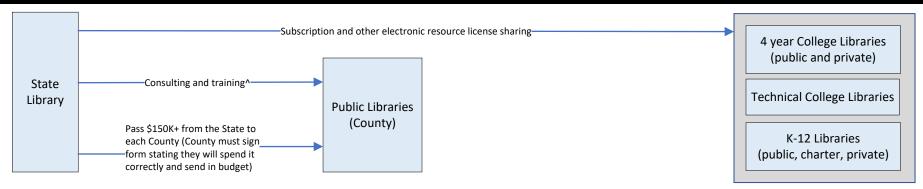
Technical College Libraries

K-12 Libraries
(public, charter, private)

Students and faculty of the applicable school*

*Note: Some technical colleges allow the general public to use their libraries

What role does State Library play with other libraries in the state?

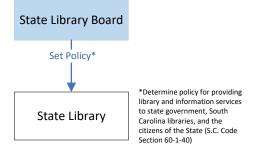


^ For list of individual services see agency Program Evaluation Report

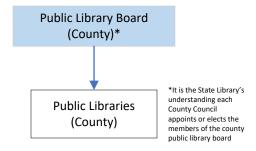
Who has final say on library policy?

Note: Boards determine internal policies and directors manage day to day operations

- The State Library Board
 - sets policy for the State Library
 - does not set policy for public libraries
- State Library policies are not overarching to public libraries.



- State Library staff
 - advise/consult public libraries on their existing policies or creation of new polices, which are approved by individual public library boards.
 - do not advocate for individual libraries, groups, materials, or programs.



Applicable Policy Setting Body**

4 year College Libraries
(public and private)

Technical College Libraries

K-12 Libraries
(public, charter, private)

**It is the State Library's understanding the Board of Education sets policy for K-12 public school libraries

What does the General Assembly require of the State Library?

See, S.C. Code Title 60, Chapter 1

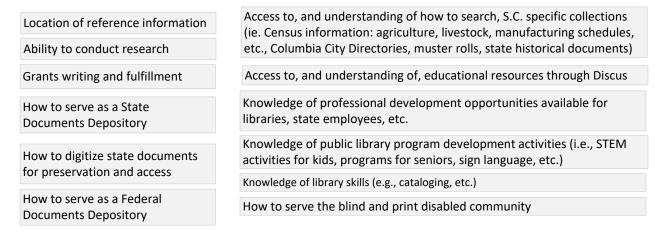
Requirements of the agency include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Provide leadership and guidance for the planning and coordinated development of adequate library service for the people of the State
- Coordinate library services of the State with other educational agencies and services to increase effectiveness and reduce duplication
- Collect, compile, and publish statistics and information concerning the operation of libraries in the State
- Maintain a clearinghouse of information, data, and materials in the field of library and information science
- Increase the proficiency of library personnel through provision of in-service and continuing education programs for library personnel employed in the State
- Maintain appropriate collections of library materials in any format considered necessary to supplement the collections of other libraries in the State and to meet the research and informational needs of the General Assembly, state officers and agencies, and state government employees
- Organize a system of depository libraries for state publications to ensure that the publications are readily accessible to the citizens of the State
- Serve as a depository for federal publications
- Coordinate a state plan for federal documents depository libraries
- Provide for the citizens of the State specialized library services and materials not generally appropriate, economical, or available in other libraries of the State

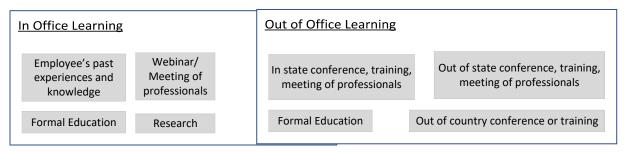
How does the State Library fulfill their responsibilities in law?

What information and skills do State Library personnel need to provide the required services?

(See "What does General Assembly require" to the left for more details)

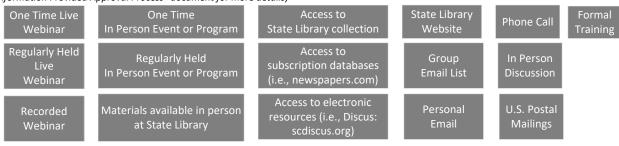


How do State Library personnel obtain the information/training/experience needed to provide services to their customers? (See "Public Development Approval Process" document for more details)

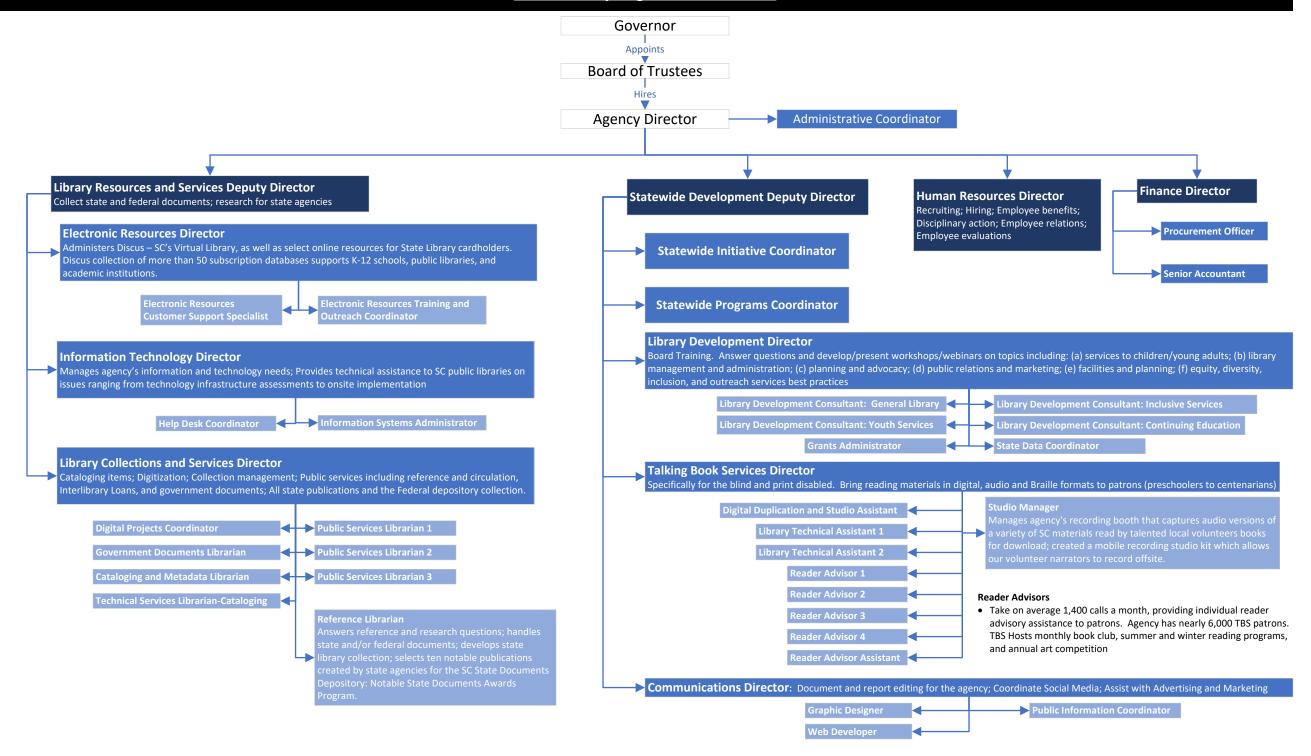


Through what means do State Library staff provide services to their customers?

(See "Information Provided Approval Process" document for more details)



State Library Organizational Chart



Approval Process: Professional Development (PD) for State Library Personnel

(PD includes conferences, webinars, etc. that have fees/costs and those that are free (entered as line item in budget with \$0 cost)

Annual Agency Internal Budget Request

<u>Annual Internal Budget</u>

<u>Request Form</u> Department Director provides the following:

 Regular PD (annual conferences) as part of annual budget process.

Employees

 make requests/discuss ideas with their Department Director

Department Director

· submits internal budget request

Deputy Director

- reviews internal budget requests
- provides recommendations to Director

Director

- reviews original budget requests and Deputy Director recommendations
- determines budget requests to approve

ONLINE

DASHBOARD Requests are completed and approved through the agency's online

dashboard

New/Revised Request during the Year

Employee wants to attend PD that was not included in internal budget request

Employee

 makes request to their Department Director

Department Director

 submits internal "budget adjustment request form"

Deputy Director

- reviews "budget adjustment request form"
- provides recommendation to Director

Director

- reviews original form and Deputy Director recommendation
- determines whether to approve

Employee submits "Professional Development Request" Department Director reviews and approves PD Request Form Employee submits "Travel Documentation" Employee attends PD Training (i.e., conference, etc.) Employee presents at agency "Monthly Conferencing Share Session"

Employee utilizes information learned

<u>Professional Development Request Form</u> Employee provides the following:

- Describe objective/content that will be covered during training;
- Explain what you hope to learn;
- How will attendance benefit the agency, your fellow employees, and agency mission;
- How do you plan to share information learned with your fellow employees;
- How does it tie into EPMS goals (if presenting, must submit in advance for approval by supervisor and agency director)

<u>Travel Documentation</u> Employee provides the following:

- · Agenda for conference;
- Which session the individual employee desires to attend (helps ensure different employees attend as many different sessions as possible)
- Necessary state travel documents

Monthly Conferencing Share Session

- All agency employees invited to attend, some employees specifically requested to attend
- During the session, those that attended a conference in the last month must present

<u>Budget Adjustment</u> <u>Request Form</u>

Department Director provides the following:

- Explanation of why it was not in initial budget request (e.g., rate change that happened during the year or product just became available)
- Necessity of request

<u>Ways Employee Utilizes Information</u> <u>Learned at PD</u>

- Immediately through teaching a class to other libraries, etc. (This accounts for some of the 844 training sessions agency personnel offered to others in person or online in FY16-FY21);
- By directly applying the information to the employee's regular job duties

Approval Process: Events and Programs

Process to propose a new one time event/program/webinar*

*NOTE: Not all ideas for suggested programs, events, or trainings require completing the concept paper process outlined below. The following are considerations for whether a concept paper is required:

- Does it directly address a core job responsibility of an employee? (Example: Providing training on how to use our online resources/databases). If so, concept paper most likely not required.
- Staff time required and Cost If minimal, concept paper most likely not required

Concept Paper Process

Employee provides the following:

- State library strategic goal and objective the idea meets
- IMLS federal purpose the idea meets
- Target audience;
- Summary of project;
- How you determined need for project;
- Budget
- Partnership

Requests are made through the agency's online dashboard

- Requests are completed and approved through the agency's online dashboard
- The system notifies the Deputy Director whenever a submission is entered to ensure a department head cannot unilaterally shut down an employee's ideas
- Independent Project Manager monitoring online dashboard and movement of "concept paper"

Employee

- Comes up with idea for new program
- Submits "concept paper" to explain the idea

Department Head

- reviews concept paper
- approves and sends to Director

Deputy Director

- reviews concept paper
- approves and sends to Director

Director

- reviews original concept paper
- reviews Deputy Director recommendations
- determines whether to approve

Decision to conduct an event, program, or webinar may be determined by the following factors:

First Time Event/Program/Webinar

In response to an **external circumstance/occurrence**. Examples include:

- #SC Stronger (Exhibit containing artwork and literature depicting the historic floods commemorating the disaster of October 2015.)
- Preparing for the Next Wave of Pandemic Fatigued Customers (2part webinar offered training to help organizations and their employees create and maintain safe workplace practices and prepare them to better handle customer conflicts.)

In response to **new/changing library best practices**. Examples include:

In response to **patron/user questions**. Examples include:

 African American Genealogy Webinar: Beginner Strategies for African American Genealogy

To support an existing program or mandate. Examples include:

 Letters about Literature (A reading-writing contest that encourages students to write a personal letter to an author, living or dead, from any genre, explaining how that author's work changed your way of thinking about the world or yourself.)

Whether First Time Event/Program Becomes Ongoing

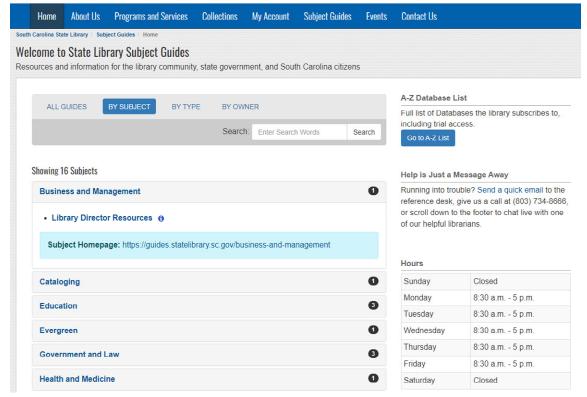
- Attendance and content of the post evaluations submitted by the attendees.
- Feedback/requests from public library staff or State Library patrons/ users on a topic.
- Whether it correlates to a single one-time event (e.g., Eclipse of 2017; 10th anniversary of 9/11)

Approval Process: Website Research Guides

State Library staff create research guides applicable to their subject area of expertise. These guides are then posted online.

Research guides are created on a variety of topics intended for different audiences: libraries, the general public, state employees/state agencies, etc. These resource guides are created because we have received multiple requests for information about a certain topic or the topic is an emerging issue.





What is the process?

Who can come up with the idea for a research guide?

- Any staff member. They may...
 - receive requests from customers (i.e., other libraries in the state, members of state government, general public) for information about certain topics;
 - Determine a particular topic has been frequently asked about; or
 - Identify an emerging issue (e.g., How to preserve items damaged in a flood)

Who approves moving forward with creating one?

 The applicable department manager, based on the proposed topic of the guide

Who has authority to create a research guide?

 Each department determines the appropriate person within the department that will create the guide

Who has access to publish the research guide online?

- Librarians; and
- Webmaster

Genealogy Resources Available in State Government

Below are genealogy resources available at the State Library and the Department of Archives and History with explanation of communication that occurs between the two agencies. S.C. Code Section 60-1-60(h) requires the state library to coordinate library services of the State with other educational agencies and services to increase effectiveness and reduce duplication.

South Carolina State Library (SCSL)

4,692 In-person visitors FY21-22

69 specific genealogy research requests FY21-22

32 WWII (MIA) Soldiers' information provided to Margraten Cemetery and SC Families

(Maintain historical documents, books, and other publications)

Department of Archives and History (DAH)

75% of 2,000 visitors in 2021 visited the agency to research family history

(Maintain original records authors use to produce historical books)

One-on-one in-person research assistance

The SCSL also offers virtual and in-person training (i.e., African American Genealogy Webinar: How I Found My Enslaved Ancestor; Beginner Strategies for African American Genealogy)

Ancestry.com

Collection of online family history records. Patron must come into the State Library, DAH, or ask personnel on site to find the information. Remote access for everyone is cost prohibitive. (State Library pays a subscription fee for the service. DAH sells microfilm to Ancestry.com and Ancestry.com provides DAH free access as part of the agreement.)

Fold3.com

Collection of military records from Revolutionary War to WWII. Patron must come into the State Library, DAH, or ask personnel on site to find the information. Remote access for everyone is cost prohibitive. (Ancestry.com recently purchased fold3.com. State Library pays a subscription fee for the service. DAH receives the service free from Ancestry.com.)

HeritageQuest

Collection of American genealogical primary sources, local and family histories and finding aids

Newspapers.com

Online newspaper archive (1700-2000) used for genealogy and family research.

Historical Black Newspapers Collection

Nine Historical Black Newspapers (1893-2005) of primary source material used for genealogical and historical research

Federal Document Depository

SCSL is a designated Federal Documents Depository (i.e., 1962 Kennedy Presidential Papers, 1890 agriculture, manufacturing data, muster rolls, Library of Congress Journals 1775-2020)

State Agency Documents (Original)

All State Agency documents created for use; frequently used for genealogy and agency research (i.e. Acts & Resolutions (1808-2021), SC Dept of Education Annual Reports 1922-2021, SCDOT Drawings and Road Construction, etc.)

State and County Documents (1785-August 2022)

State Agency documents may include names of families, individuals, occupations, etc. County records include City and County Directories (1895-). Published family documents detailing family history, relationships, land records, etc.

S.C. Electronic Document Archive (1770-present)

Documents that were provided to SCSL in digital format, retrieved by SCSL using a webcrawler, or an image which was digitally created by SCSL staff for public use

SC State Library Online Catalog and Records Index (SCSL Digital Collections) Includes born digital documents and digital images created of original documents – **307,406** page views FY22; **8,002** items added in FY22

Definition of "Document" and "Record"

 DAH records are original documents (e.g., contracts and letters that evidence a film company working in S.C.). SCSL documents are created by State Agencies (e.g., directory of film companies that worked in S.C.).

Colonial Land and Court Records (Original documents)

Land grants from the King of England, plats, etc.

Revolutionary and Civil War Records (Original)

Service and pension records, etc. microfilm DAH purchased from the National Archives

State Agency Records (Original)

Agency records that are frequently used for genealogy research include Department of Education, Department of Corrections, and Department of Mental Health

State and Federal Census records (1790-1950)

Note: Federal government keeps them for 75 years before releasing them

State and County Records (back to 1785-1950/1960)

Estate papers, wills, inventories that list names of families and enslaved individuals; county land records and deeds; equity court records; civil and criminal court records

Online Records Index

Includes approximately 400,000 of DAH's 35 million original records that have been digitized so individuals can search and see documents online. Note, DAH continues to receive new original records on a regular basis.

S.C. Electronic Record Archive (2000-present)

Records that were provided to DAH in digital format

S.C. Archives Online Catalog (SC ArchCat)

Online list of all (original and digital) materials available from DAH

Examples of the agencies working together, include the following:

- The two agencies worked together to create the SC Memory Project (scmemory.org) which provides access to historic materials from over 40 cultural heritage institutions across the state.
- DAH website directs individuals to SCSL for additional genealogical resources
- State Library invites DAH to present during State Library webinars

Concerns: How They Can Be Voiced and How They Are Addressed

(Includes concerns from employees as well as constituents)

Employee Concerns

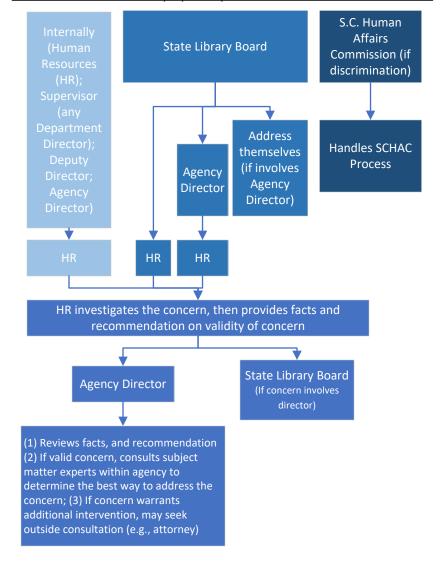
Methods through which the employee can report the concern:

Letter Option to submit anonymously via U.S. mail or Mailboxes in agency mailroom

Email Telephone

In-person

Individuals to whom the employee may share the concern and where it flows:

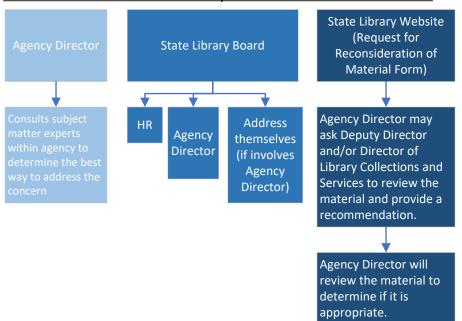


Constituent Concerns

Methods through which the constituent can report the concern:



Individuals to whom the constituent may share the concern and where it flows:



How does individual know their concern was heard?

Employee Concern

- If the report is not anonymous, the employee will be given appropriate information about the outcome of the investigation and decision regarding how it will be addressed.
- If the decision results in disciplinary action of another employee, the reporting employee will not be provided details. There will be a follow up conversation with the reporting employee to ensure the concern has been resolved.

Constituent Concern

The constituent will be contacted and provided information on how their concern was addressed.



THANK YOU

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