#### EDUCATION AND CULTURAL SUBCOMMITTEE

#### June 6, 2022

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South Carolina House of Representatives



#### Legislative Oversight Committee

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

#### Monday, June 6, 2022 10:00am 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

Chair Wm. Weston J. Newton

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Legislative Oversight Committee Monday, June 6, 2022 Upon 10:00am Blatt Room 321

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#### Attendance

The Education and Cultural Affairs Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair Jeffrey
 E. "Jeff" Johnson. Chair Johnson, Representative Kambrell H. Garvin, and Representative
 Michael F. Rivers, Sr., attended the meeting in person.

#### 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.

II. Representative Rivers makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the October 25, 2021, meeting. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Garvins' motion to approve the October 25, 2021, meeting minutes.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Johnson	✓		
Rep. Garvin	✓		
Rep. Rivers	✓		

#### **Discussion of South Carolina State Library**

- I. Chair Johnson reminds Director Leesa Aiken that she remains under oath.
- II. Director Aiken presents an overview of the State Library's programs and services.
- III. Subcommittee members ask questions relating to.
  - a. South Carolina's library development process and how it compares to other states;
  - b. Evolution of library services;
  - c. Utilization of library services;
  - d. Library customers and programs;
  - e. State Library governing board vacancies; and
  - f. Library director performance evaluation.

Director Aiken responds to the members' questions.

#### Adjournment

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.
Today - June 6, 2022	The Subcommittee holds Meeting 4 with the agency to discuss an overview of its mission, history, resources, major programs, successes, challenges, and emerging issues.

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

## **AGENCY SNAPSHOT**

## **South Carolina State Library**

#### 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

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



Resources (FY 18-19)

broadband connectivity.

 Contributing in many areas on a national scale.

Successes

Identified by the agency

statewide equity

issues related to

•Leader in

addressing

 Digitizing state documents.

#### Current:

dentified by the agency

Challenges

Finance

- •Retaining qualified staff.
- Securing adequate funding to procure and sustain necessary resources.
- Limited available parking due to location of building.

## **AGENCY PRESENTATION**



## HOUSE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

**PROGRAM EVALUATION REPORT** 

Agency Overview

FY2017-FY2020



#### LEESA M. AIKEN

#### South Carolina State Library Director (2014-Present)

- Employed by the South Carolina State Library since 2007.
- Aiken has worked at the State Library in other capacities, including:
  - Deputy Director responsible for Human Resources, Finance, Administration, Library Development, and Talking Book Services.
  - Division Director
  - Interim Agency Director

Aiken's fundamental goal is to provide equal and inclusive access to information, which meets the needs of the diverse population in South Carolina.

#### EDUCATION:

- Master of Library and Information Science from the University of South Carolina
- Master of Arts in Organizational Change and Leadership from Columbia College
- Bachelor of Arts degree in Child and Family Studies with an emphasis on Early Care and Education from Columbia College
- Certified Public Manager
- Master Project Manager
- Senior Professional in Human Resources



#### ORGANIZATIONS:

- Chief Officers of State Library Agencies
- International Federation of Library
   Associations and Institutions
- Society for Human Resource Management
- Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce



Aiken with former State Library Director, Jim Johnson

#### **BOARDS:**

- South Carolina State Employee Grievance Committee
- South Carolina First Steps
- Rolling Readers
- International Public Management Association
- South Carolina State Employee Association
- Partnership among South Carolina Academic Libraries
- South Carolina K-12 Technology Board





Students from Baron Dekalb Elementary School were introduced in the balcony to represent the more than 2,500 students from across SC who attended the annual Read In at the State House.

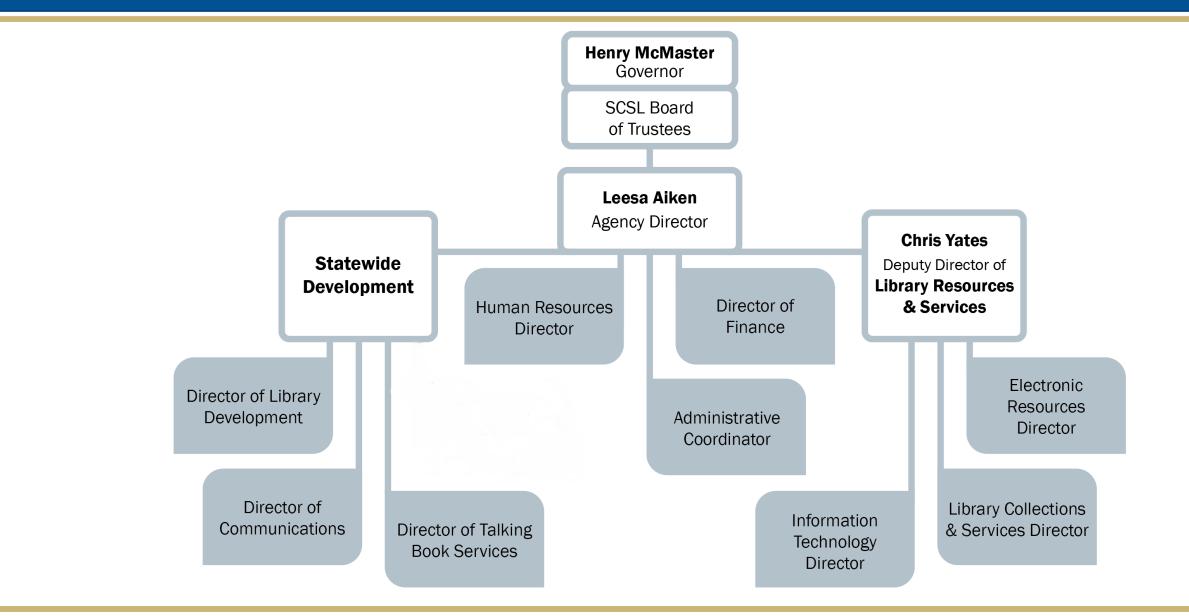


Aiken and civil rights photographer, Cecil J. Williams.

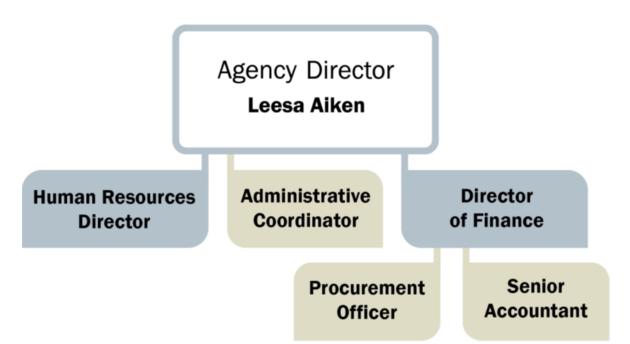


Aiken presenting a Notable State Document Award to the South Carolina Forestry Commission.

## **Organizational Chart**



The Administration Division consists of the Finance, Procurement, Accounting, Human Resources, and Agency Administration.

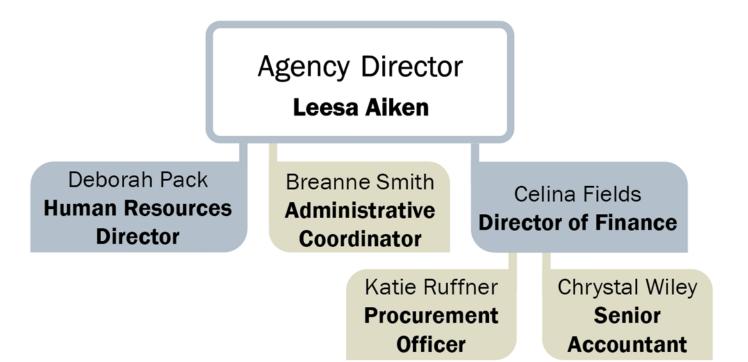




The South Carolina State Library is the primary administrator of federal and state support for the state's libraries. Our persistent goal is to strategically plan, collaboratively approach, and cost-effectively implement state government solutions that result in outstanding library services for every South Carolinian.

# This unit consists of the following positions:

- Agency Director
- Administrative Coordinator
- Human Resources Director
- Finance Director
- Senior Accountant
- Procurement Officer



# The Finance Department oversees the day-to-day operations for the State Library.

- The department manages the agency's funds and property.
- Staff members continuously review the agency's fiscal processes and procedures to ensure that the State Library acts in the most responsible way possible to leverage all funds.
- Staff members assist various departments through special projects, state aid tracking, and lottery documentation tracking.



# The Human Resources Department is responsible for:

- Recruiting
- Hiring
- Employee benefits
- Disciplinary action
- Employee relations
- Employee evaluations





We value providing continuing education and career development opportunities to our staff to foster expertise that meets the needs of our target audiences.

A key factor to our success is the culture of the State Library, which encourages cross-department work to maximize our resources and grow our staff.

This division is responsible for library consulting and a multitude of statewide projects. It includes: STATEWIDE DEVELOPMENT LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT TALKING BOOK SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS

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#### STATEWIDE DEVELOPMENT

- Statewide Initiatives Coordinator
- Statewide Programs Coordinator (2)

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT TALKING BOOK SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS

This division is responsible for library consulting and a multitude of statewide projects. It includes:



#### STATEWIDE DEVELOPMENT

#### LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

- Director of Library Development
  - Grants Administrator
  - General Library Consultant
  - Youth Services Consultant
  - Inclusive Services Consultant
  - Continuing Education Consultant
  - State Data Coordinator

# TALKING BOOK SERVICES

This division is responsible for library consulting and a multitude of statewide projects. It includes:



STATEWIDE DEVELOPMENT

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

#### TALKING BOOK SERVICES

- Director of Talking Book Services
  - Studio Manager
  - Digital Duplication and Studio Assistant
  - Library Technical Assistant (2)
  - Reader Advisors (4)
  - Reader Advisory Assistant

#### COMMUNICATIONS

This division is responsible for library consulting and a multitude of statewide projects. It includes:



STATEWIDE DEVELOPMENT LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT TALKING BOOK SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS

- Director of Communications
  - Graphic Designer
  - Public Information Coordinator
  - Web Developer

#### SCSL > Statewide Development

#### The Statewide Development Department:

- Focuses on statewide programming that supports the literary arts and literacy projects.
- Supporting literacy initiatives to expand services to the underserved, such as lowliterate adults, families with young children, and the incarcerated



## SCSL > Statewide Development > Library Development

The Library Development department offers assistance to librarians, library staff, and trustees.

#### Consultants have expertise in:

- Services to children and young adults
- Library management and administration
- Advocacy
- Public relations and marketing
- Facilities and planning
- Equity, diversity, inclusion, and outreach services best practices
- Developing and presenting workshops and webinars on a variety of topics designed to build skills and inform library staff



The State Library helps local libraries become better equipped to encourage family literacy engagement and to combat low literacy with face-to-face services, print materials, and technology tools designed to meet developmental needs at every level.







The State Library offers circulating STEM programming kits on robotics and virtual reality to facilitate the growth of 21st-century skills.





The State Library made funds available for developing play/learning spaces for children aged 0-5 and their caregivers.



The State Library administers the statewide Summer Reading Program. READsquared is the online tracking program for libraries to use to monitor local summer reading.



# South Carolina Talking Book ::::Services

The State Library's Talking Book Services (TBS) program is a service that serves patrons who are unable to read a book in a traditional manner due to blindness, a visual difference, or a physical limitation.

This program brings reading materials in digital, audio and Braille formats straight to the homes of patrons ranging from preschoolers to centenarians.

Items are sent to patrons via the U.S.P.S. at no cost to users. People who enroll in the program also have the option of downloading books and magazines over the Internet through the BARD online system in audio and/or Braille format.



#### TBS Stats and Facts:

- Our four reader advisors take on average 1,400 calls a month, providing individual reader advisory assistance to patrons.
- We have nearly 6,000 TBS patrons.
- In FY20 we circulated over 170,000 items including digital books, large print books and descriptive DVDs. Our patrons downloaded an additional 63,000 items from our system.



#### TBS Hosts:

- Monthly book club
- Summer and Winter Reading Programs
- Annual Art Competition



#### **Telephone Tales**

- We created the Telephone Tales storyline which brings stories to families with children. It encourages reading even when we can't visit in person.
- Katie, our reading ambassador and therapy dog, assists with promotion of reading in a safe and accessible way. The storyline instantly connects callers to narrated readings of children's books.



# TEEPHONE TALES

#### **Recording Booth**

- We are one of a small number of state libraries that possess a recording booth to record books onsite.
- Our recording booth captures audio versions of a variety of South Carolina materials read by talented local volunteers books for download

#### The National Library Service offers 121 of our locally recorded Mobile Recording Studio Kit

• We created a mobile recording studio kit which allows our volunteer narrators to record offsite.





#### Volunteers

• We have a reliable group of volunteers who worked 2,050 hours on average each year.





#### **Donations**

• Our generous patrons and their families donated \$26,220 last year to the TBS program.

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Wonderful Service!

MERRYCHRISTMAS to All YUUSOOD folks. Thank you Somuch for YUOR SEDUICC. Sie

## SCSL > Statewide Development > Communications

#### **Communications Department**

- Manages editing documents and reports for the agency
- Coordinates social media (including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn)
- Assists with advertising and marketing.



## SCSL > Statewide Development > Communications

#### **Communications Staff**

- Produce the library's podcast (LibraryVoicesSC)
- Provide signage audits to public and academic libraries statewide
- Provide weekly and monthly email communication
- Manage nine statewide websites and an intranet
- Provide graphic design for all departments



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#### LIBRARY COLLECTIONS & SERVICES

- Director of Library Collections & Services
  - Digital Projects Coordinator
  - Government Documents Librarian
  - Cataloging and Metadata Librarian
  - Technical Services Librarian-Cataloging
  - Public Services Librarians (3)
  - Reference Librarian

INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY ELECTRONIC RESOURCES SCLENDS

This division is responsible for providing resources, materials, and research assistance in both print and digital formats. It includes:



#### LIBRARY COLLECTIONS & SERVICES

#### INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY

- Information Technology Director
  - Help Desk Coordinator
  - Information Systems Administrator

#### ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

#### SCLENDS

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LIBRARY COLLECTIONS & SERVICES INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

- Electronic Resources Director
  - Electronic Resources Training & Outreach Coordinator
  - Electronic Resources Customer Support Specialist

#### **SCLENDS**

## The Library Collections and Services department is responsible for:

- Cataloging items
- Digitization
- Collection management
- Public services including reference and circulation, Interlibrary Loans, and government documents.
- All state publications and the Federal depository collection.





The department provides online access to historic documents, books, and images, and cultivates partnerships to make historical and cultural materials easily available online.



The South Carolina State Library provides in-person and online trainings developed for state employees on topics such as:

- Grant research
- Legislation
- Employment and commerce
- Social media use
- Safety and emergency preparation









#### NOTABLE STATE DOCUMENTS AWARDS

Each year the State Library selects ten notable publications created by state agencies for the South Carolina State Documents Depository: Notable State Documents Awards Program. This program acknowledges quality publications that are useful and represent South Carolina state government well.







In addition to managing the agency's information and technology needs, the Information Technology Department provides technical assistance to public libraries in South Carolina.

Assistance provided to public libraries ranges from technology infrastructure assessments to onsite implementation.

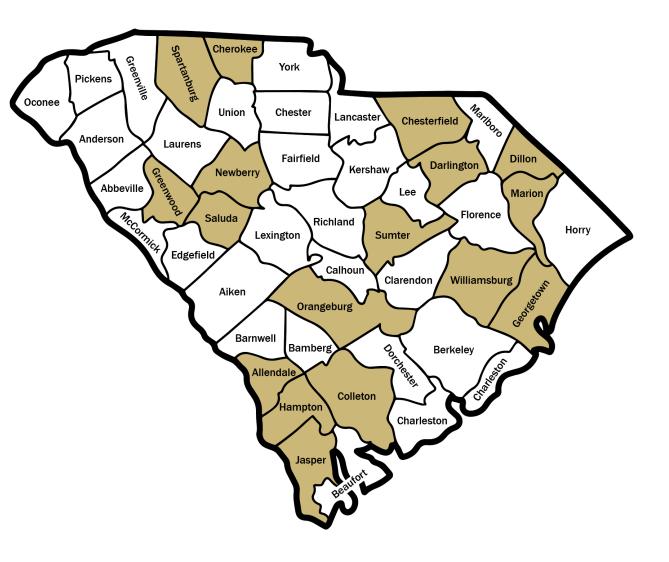
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## SCSL > Library Resources & Services > Information Technology

## The IT department provided hands-on assistance to the following library systems:

- AHJ
- Cherokee
- Chesterfield
- Colleton
- Darlington
- Dillon
- Georgetown
- Greenwood

- Marion
- Newberry
- Orangeburg
- Saluda
- Spartanburg
- Sumter
- Williamsburg



#### NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

A major point of focus has been assisting public libraries with implementing network infrastructure projects funded through the Federal E-Rate Program, in an effort to increase the broadband connection.

• The implementation of this infrastructure resulted in over \$1M in savings to libraries.



#### PUBLIC LIBRARY BANDWIDTH UPGRADES

The department collaborated with the South Carolina E-Rate Consortium to upgrade the minimum bandwidth at 87 public library branch locations statewide.

- We met our goal to have every library functioning at 100Mbps for broadband internet speed.
- We partnered with the Department of Administration, local economic development offices, Segra, and AT&T to achieve this ambitious goal.

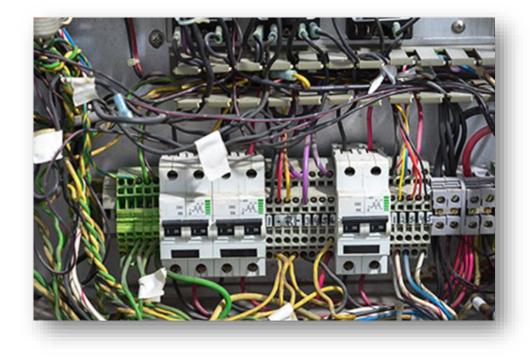


THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT of ADMINISTRATION Marcia S. Adams, Executive Director



#### NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

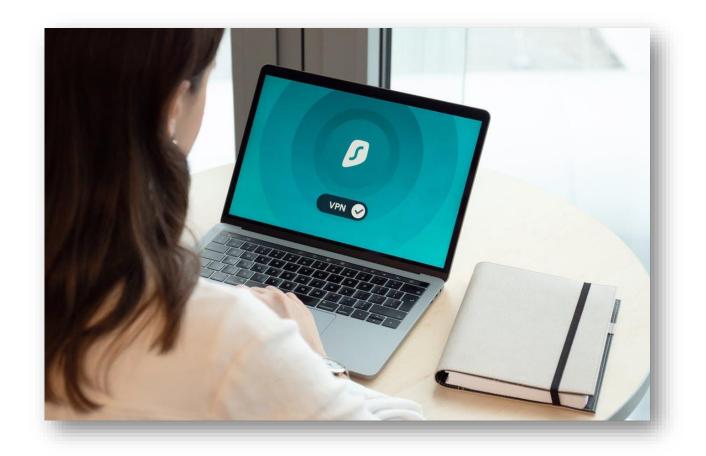
In the last two years, we have successfully assisted 30 county public libraries by physically rewiring, reconstructing, and creating, in many instances, infrastructure to support broadband.



#### INTERNAL SECURITY

Our security policies and practices are updated and in compliance with state rules and regulations.

We have had zero security incidents.



#### SCSL > Library Resources & Services > Electronic Resources



The Electronic Resources Department administers Discus – South Carolina's Virtual Library, as well as select online resources for State Library cardholders.

The Discus collection of more than 50 subscription databases supports K-12 schools, public libraries, and academic institutions.

Discus is available 24/7 from home, school, the public library, or on a mobile device.

All K-12 schools use Discus extensively for research, learning, and programming. This includes:

- Charter schools
- Virtual schooling
- Public schools
- Home schooling
- Private schools







## SCSL > Library Resources & Services > Electronic Resources

- Discus has over 50 subscription databases, all accurate and appropriately vetted.
- Discus is advertisement free.
- Discus materials can be integrated into individual teacher Learning Management Systems.
- During 2020, the Discus collection had 14,602,661 retrievals of online books, academic journals, primary sources, and videos.



## DISCUS RESOURCES ADDED OVER THE LAST 2 YEARS INCLUDE:

- Tutor.com
- TumbleMath
- African American History
- World Almanac for Kids Elementary
- World Almanac for Kids Intermediate
- Writer's Reference Center
- Teaching Books
- Poetry for Students
- Short Stories for Students















### SCSL > Library Resources & Services > Electronic Resources

#### E-LEARNING PILOT PROGRAM

• Discus staff assisted with the Year 2 eLearning Pilot program in partnership with the Department of Education.





Back to school, virtually or in person, think Discus – South Carolina's Virtual Library.

The South Carolina State Library saves the State over \$32M in cost avoidance each year by negotiating and purchasing the electronic resources available in Discus and making them available to all South Carolinians.

 This conservative estimate assumes library systems and school districts have the technical infrastructure such as hardware, software, and digital bandwidth for videos, animated books, and download features.



#### SCSL > Library Resources & Services > SCLENDS



- SCLENDS South Carolina Library Evergreen Network Delivery System is a collaborative consortium of 20 county libraries and the State Library.
- Consortium members share a catalog of books, audio, and video materials, and membership remains open to interested libraries.

#### SCSL > Library Resources & Services > SCLENDS

- SCLENDS currently serves almost one-half of the state's population.
- Approximately 73% of the residents in member counties have a SCLENDS library card.
- The SCLENDS online catalog is available 24/7 to search and request books, audio materials, and DVDs, using any browser, from any electronic device.
- Member libraries save the costs of purchasing and processing shared library materials.



The South Carolina State Library strives to recruit, retain, and develop a diverse workforce that reflects our citizens and promotes collaboration and innovative ideas from all corners.



## **Employee Retention Strategies**

## To encourage employee retention, our work culture includes:

- Value and support all employees
- Include employees in decision-making
- Offer professional development
- Provide tuition assistance
- Professional memberships







Congratulations to Desire'e Thomas as a recipient of the prestigious South Carolina Library Association's annual Scholarship for Diversity in Librarianship. @sclanews



12:20 PM · Jun 23, 2020 · Twitter Web App

## **Employee Retention Strategies**

To encourage employee retention, our work culture includes:

- Award Employee of the Quarter
- Acknowledge performance; PAWS on the Back
- Hold monthly staff meetings and department meetings
- Welcome feedback from employees
- Cross-departmental internal committees and teams
- Cross-train staff in areas of interest



South Carolina State Library							
Position Distribution-FY2022							
DEPARTMENTS	Federal Current	Federal Vacant	State Current	State Vacant	Total		
Administration	0	0	6	1	7		
Talking Book Services	0	0	6	3	9		
Library Resources	9	0	8	4	21		
Statewide Development	7	4	3	2	16		
TOTALS	16	4	23	10	53		

## Appropriations

\$25,000,000

#### SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY APPROPRIATIONS

\$19,135,346.00 \$20,000,000 \$18,330,433.00 \$18,330,433.00 \$16,231,167 \$16,167,200.00 \$15,712,360 \$15,362,287.00 \$15,362,287.00 \$15,000,000 \$13,840,961 \$13,188,635 \$10,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$0 2017-2018 2018-2019 2019-2020 2020-2021 2021-2022

General Funds Total

#### **Records Management**



#### POLICY

The South Carolina State Library follows the records management and retention policy set forth by the South Carolina Department for Archives and History for state records and the policy set forth by the National Archives and Records Administration.

#### **RECORDS RETENTION OFFICER**

The designated Records Officer for the South Carolina State Library is the Deputy Director of Library Services and Resources.

The South Carolina State Library is actively compliant and regularly submits destruction forms and transfers records both in print and electronically to State Archives for permanent retention.



Chris Yates, Deputy Director of Library Resources and Services

# Audit and Risk Mitigation Practices

# The South Carolina State Library is routinely audited by the following agencies:

- Division of State Human Resources
- Office of State Auditor
- Division of Information Technology
- Institute of Museum and Library Services



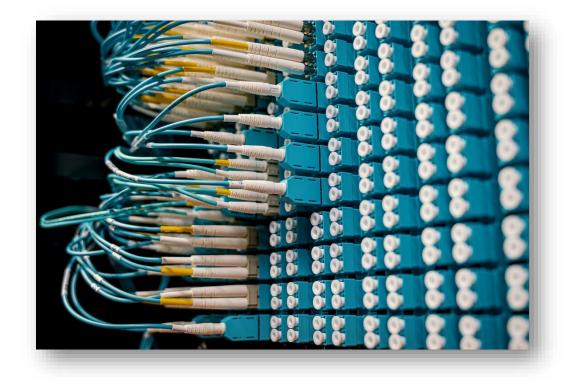
## **Audit and Risk Mitigation Practices**



Mitigation strategies and separation of duties processes have been established for human resources and finance based on guidance from the Division of State Human Resources, South Carolina Budget Office, South Carolina Comptroller General's Office, and SCEIS Team.

#### BROADBAND

- The South Carolina State Library has been working on broadband access for almost four years.
- State Library staff visited 30 of our 46 counties to assist with technology needs and infrastructure.
- We increased all Wi-Fi access to 100 Mbps in every county. Dillon and Greenville Counties were both operating at 20 Mbps and Darlington was operating at 10 Mbps, which is equivalent to dial-up.



#### INTERNET ACCESS

- We also helped libraries apply for federal e-Rate funds so that they could recoup \$2M spent.
- In FY20, we received \$465,000 in CARES Act funds – We purchased 500 homework hotspots and service, laptops, Chromebooks, and 22 smart bus devices to be used in rural, underprivileged areas.

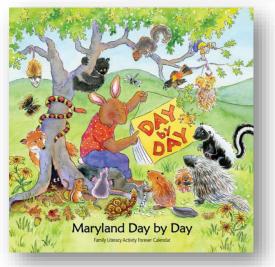


#### NATIONAL OUTREACH

- Our Day by Day literacy calendar has been replicated in ten other states.
- We are a pilot program for the Talking Books Services smart devices.
- Our locally recorded audio books are uploaded to the Library of Congress National Library Service.
- State Library is working with the Fields of Honor Foundation, providing information on nearly 10,000 World War II soldiers buried in the Margraten cemetery in the Netherlands.

De Gezichten van Margraten @dgvmargraten · Feb 6 ···· Thanks to the staff of @scstatelibrary, about a dozen of soldiers from South Carolina remembered in #Margraten now finally have a face. Among them is James C. Finley, who left behind his two-year-old son Johnny





#### STATE DOCUMENTS DEPOSITORY

- We have worked diligently to digitize state documents. The South Carolina State Documents Depository currently provides access to over 40,000 items available online.
- During the FY19, these collections had 284,111 page views, a 45% increase from FY18.
- The State Library collaborates with many state agencies to digitize items of interest or request.



#### ORGANIZATIONAL COMPLIANCE

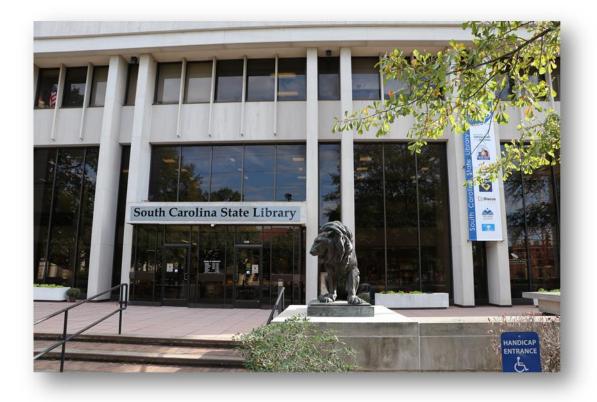
• The South Carolina State Library's mission, vision, strategic directions, and goals are in alignment with our financial budget structure, planned projects, and agency objectives.



# **Agency Challenges**

#### PERSONNEL

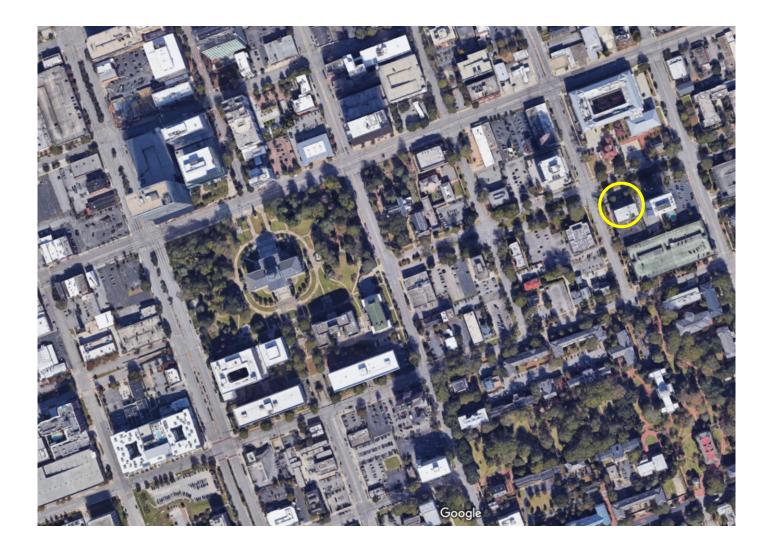
- We are finding it increasingly difficult to compete and retain qualified staff, due in large part to the increasing costs associated with employee benefits and retirement contribution.
- The lack of funding available for increases to salary makes it more challenging to hire qualified personnel at a competitive rate.
- As a small agency, we find it a challenge to compete with larger state agencies with bigger budgets.
- Due to the lack of diversity in the librarianship field, building and maintaining a diverse staff is a challenge.



# **Agency Challenges**

#### PARKING

- The State Library has limited parking. There are limited options for parking in the surrounding area.
- Research and procurement by the Department of Administration would be helpful in addressing this issue.



#### LIBRARY ORGANIZATIONS

- Association of Public Library Administrators (South Carolina)
- Carolina Cooperative Library Services
- Friends of South Carolina Libraries
- National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM)
- Palmetto Archives, Libraries, and Museums Council on Preservation (PALMCOP)
- Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries (PASCAL)



#### LIBRARY ORGANIZATIONS

- Reach Out and Read South Carolina
- South Carolina Center for Community Literacy
- South Carolina Library Evergreen Delivery System (SCLENDS)
- South Carolina Library Association
- South Carolina Association of School Librarians
- Special Libraries Association/South Carolina Chapter
- United for Libraries
- University of South Carolina School of Library and Information Science



# United for Libraries \*

Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA School of Library and Information Science

### EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

- SC Center for the Book
- South Carolina Department of Education
- South Carolina Educational Television (SCETV)
- First Steps to School Readiness
- South Carolina Humanities Council
- Reach Out and Read South Carolina
- South Carolina Center for Community Literacy



#### EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

- University of South Carolina College of Education Research, Evaluation, and Measurement Center (REM)
- South Carolina Independent School Association
- South Carolina Educational Oversight Committee

# RESEARCH, EVALUATION AND MEASUREMENT CENTER AT UOFSC





### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- South Carolina Center for Community Literacy
- South Carolina Center for Fathers & Families
- South Carolina Child Care Resource & Referral Network
- Parenting Center (Lexington School District 1)
- Carolina Family Engagement Center
- Able South Carolina









Equity, Opportunity & Excellence in Education



### TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIPS

- Access South Carolina IT (ASCIT)
- K-12 Technology Committee
- Office of Technology and Information Service
- Division of Information Security
- Enterprise Privacy Office





### DIGITIZATION PARTNERSHIPS

- South Carolina Digital Library
- Palmetto Archives, Libraries, and Museums Council on Preservation (PALMCOP)
- USC School of Library and Information Science
- South Carolina Department of Archives & History
- Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries (PASCAL)





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#### TALKING BOOKS SERVICES PARTNERSHIPS

- South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind
- Vision Institute of South Carolina
- South Carolina Commission for the Blind
- South Carolina Assistive Technology Exchange Program (SCATP)







#### South Carolina Assistive Technology Program

CENTER FOR DISABILITY RESOURCES SCHOOL OF MEDICINE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### EMPLOYMENT PARTNERSHIPS

- Internal Revenue Service, Small Business/Self-Employed Division
- South Carolina Business One Stop
- South Carolina Department of Education – Adult Education
- South Carolina Council on Competitiveness









# Questions?



# HOUSE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

#### PROGRAM EVALUATION REPORT

Agency Deliverables

FY2017-FY2019

#### **Deliverable Group 2**

# STRATEGIC DIRECTION II: COLLABORATION

The South Carolina State Library sustains and enhances its relationships with partners and those we serve.





# DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED IN DELIVERABLE GROUP 2:

- Library Resources and Services
- Statewide Development
- Communications





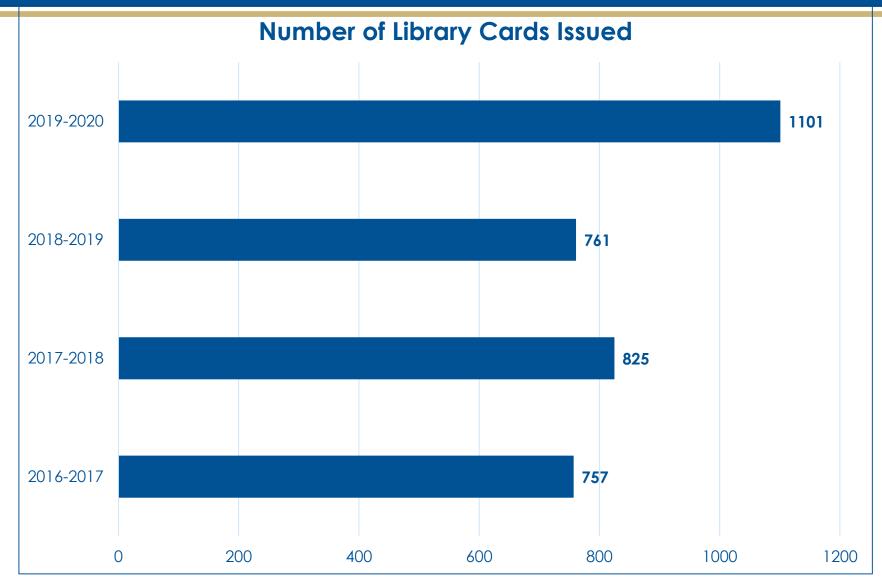
#### LIBRARY CARDS

- South Carolina residents over 18 eligible
- Card holders may:
  - Borrow circulating materials
  - Access electronic resources eBooks & newspaper databases
  - Access to over 2.75 M items in the shared catalog of 20 SCLENDS member library systems
  - Access to an extensive print collection of materials published about South Carolina





#### LIBRARY CARDS





#### RESEARCH AND REFERENCE ASSISTANCE

- Research assistance provided:
  - In-person
  - Via phone, email, or instant messaging
  - Monday through Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm
- Patrons may also schedule individual sessions for in-depth assistance

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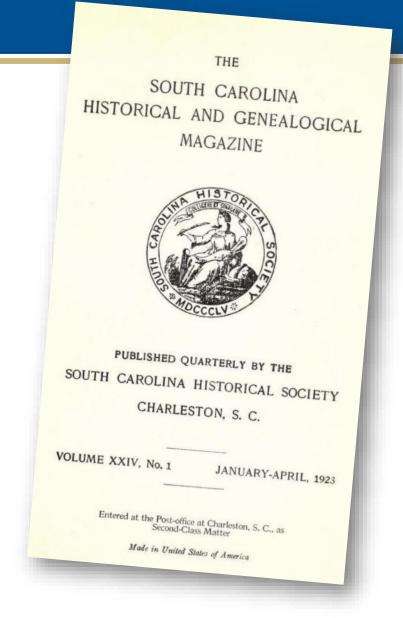




#### Number of Reference Transactions by Fiscal Year

#### **GENEALOGY RESOURCES**

- The State Library has an extensive collection of published works on South Carolina including:
  - County histories
  - City directories
  - Memoirs
  - Biographies
  - Works on SC genealogy
  - Military rosters
  - Digitized newspapers





#### **GENEALOGY RESOURCES**

- Some highlights of the collection include:
  - Newsbank: Historic American Newspapers
  - ProQuest Historical Black Newspaper collection
  - Official roster of South Carolina soldiers, sailors, and marines in the World War, 1917-1918
  - Roster of South Carolina patriots in the American Revolution
  - Accounts audited of revolutionary claims against South Carolina
  - South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine

The following changes have been found necessary since the publication of this volume. Additional service records and amendments furnished by the Adjutant General of the Army.

ALLEN, JACKSON L. Amended to read under remarks: Under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved Mch 2/23, (Pub 360-70 Congress), in the administration of any laws conferring rights, privileges or benefits, upon honorably discharged oxidiers, their widows and dependent children, the above named solidier shall hereafter be heid and considered to have been honorably discharged Nov 9/37.

ARD, DELOY (Correct name ARD, DELOYD) Amended to read: Co H 6 Inf to Dec. 15/17; Co C 5 Am Tn to disch.

ARTHUR, HARRY M. 2589411 Res Union SC NA Union SC Oct 28/18, Br Union SC Sept 8/99. SATC unit Charleston SC to disch. Pvt. Hon disch Dec 21/18.

ASHLEY, DEWEY A. Amended to read AEF June 14/17 to July 26/17; Under remarks: Under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved Mch 2/28, (Pub 500-70 Congress), in the administration of any laws conferring rights, privileges or benefits, upon honorably discharged soldiers, their widows and dependent children, the above named soldiers shall bereafter be held and considered to have been honorably discharged July 27/17.

BAIRD, FRANCIS LEWIS 355983 Res York SC (Correct serial number 3351983.

BAKER, HARRY M. Amended to read under remarks: Under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved Mch 2/29, (Pub 360-70 Congress), in the administration of any laws conferring rights, privileges or benefits, upon honorably discharged soldiers, their widows and dependent children, the above named soldier shall hereafter be held and considered to have been honorably discharged Jan 17/18.

FORTE, JOHN Amended to read: Hon disch Jan 21/18 for convenience of government.

FOSTER, CORDOZA T, 3287552. The corrected service record furnished by the AGO shows this soldier to be colored.

FOWLER, WILLIAM E, S1433. Amended to read under remarks; Under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved Mch 2/2, (Pub 960-70 Congress), in the administration of any laws conferring rights, privileges or benefits, upon honorably discharged soldiers, their widows and dependent children, the above named soldier shall hereafter be held and considered to have been honorably discharged July 19/18.

GIBSON, BRYAN 1891225. Amended to read under remarks: in desertion to Dec 29/29; returned to military control Dec 29/29; in confinement and casual to discharge; honorably discharged May 9/30, on SCD, 100% disabled.

GILBERT, LUTHER 291795. Amended to read: Hon disch July 20/19.

GILLESPIE, JESSE D. 58321. Amended to read: Hon disch Oct 9/20, SCD 75% disabled.

GILLESPIE, WILLIAM H. 1867239 Res Richburg SC NA Chester SC Apr 1/18. Br Richburg SC 30 10/12 yrs. Co F 6 Dep Bn Sig Corps Fort Leavenworth Kans to disch, Pvt. Hon disch June 17/18. SCD 10% disabled.

GUNTER, WILLIAM A. 57477 Res Spartanburg SC NG Spartanburg SC May 20/17. Br Clifton SC 23 9/12 yrs. SC Bn Engrs SCNG to May 20/17; Co C 117 Engrs to disch. Prt Iel Meh 1/19. AEF Oct 18/17 to Apr 28/19. Hon disch May 12/19.



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#### **GRANTS RESEARCH COLLECTION**

- The Grants Research Collection is designed to assist nonprofit organizations and individuals seeking grant funding from private and corporate foundations and government agencies
- The South Carolina State Library is a Funding Information Network partner of the Foundation Center
- The Collection includes:
  - Resources for finding foundation and government grant programs
  - Grant seeking
  - Proposal writing process
  - Nonprofit organization management
  - General fundraising strategies

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#### GRANTS RESEARCH WORKSHOPS/TRAININGS

- Workshops include:
  - Proposal Writing Basics
  - Grants Research: Finding a Funder for Your Nonprofit Organization
  - Grant Writing: Creating a Winning Proposal
  - Engaging Grants Writing

#### Grants Classes for 2021

New! Grant Writing: Creating a Winning Proposal Webinar Wednesday, March 31, 2021 11:00am-noon

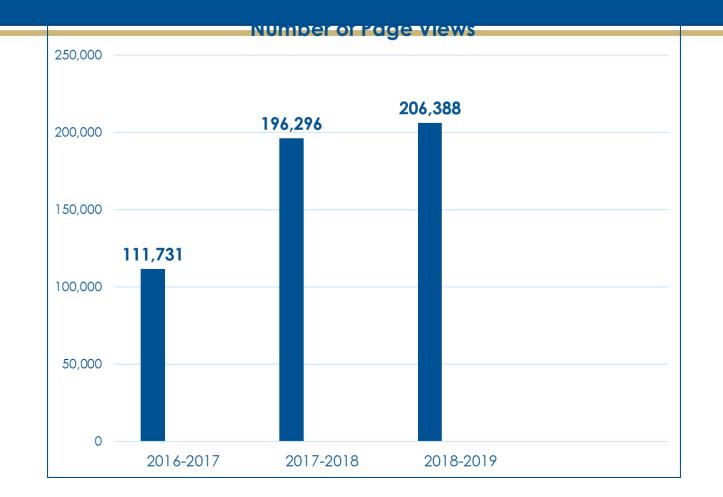
Check out these free webinars and tutorials from Candid Introduction to Finding Grants What is a Foundation? Demystifying the 990-PF Introduction to Proposal Writing Introduction to Project Budgets Is Starting a Nonprofit Right For You? Starting a Nonprofit Organization Introduction to Corporate Giving

Questions? Please email us here



#### **SUBJECT GUIDES**

- Resources and information provided for the library community, state government, and residents
- Resources and information includes:
  - Black History Resources
  - Disaster Preparedness for Libraries
  - Information for Institutional Libraries
  - Self-publishing
  - Workforce Development





#### Literacy Therapy Dog Program

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS PROMOTES READING, LITERACY, AND THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY TO LIBRARIES, SCHOOLS, NURSING HOMES, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

ELLEN DUNN, COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR, ALONG WITH KATIE, HER AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD VISITIED OVER 50 LIBRARIES, SCHOOLS, AND NURSING FACILITIES IN 2018-2019







# LibraryVoicesSC Podcast

Shares information on South Carolina authors and their works

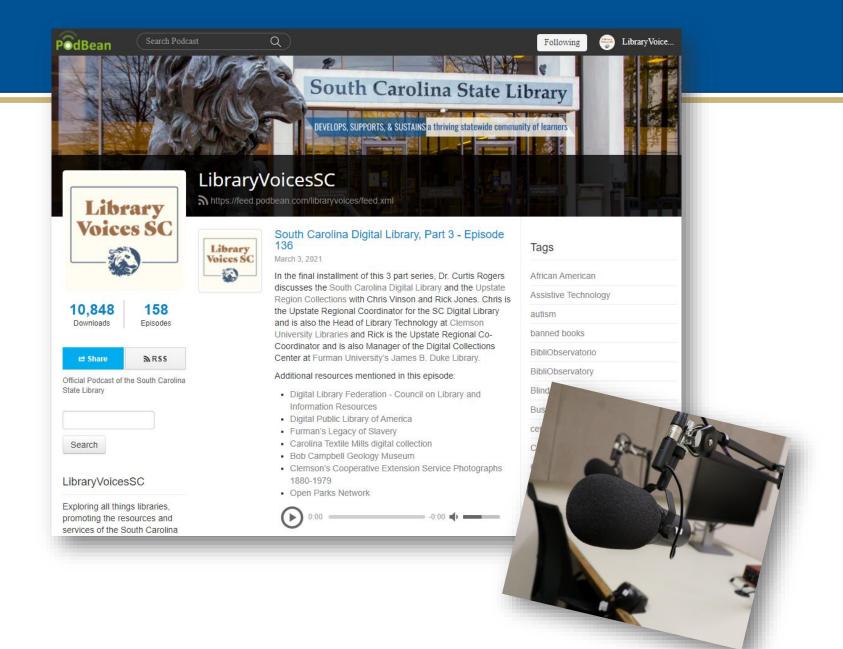
Highlights programs in libraries

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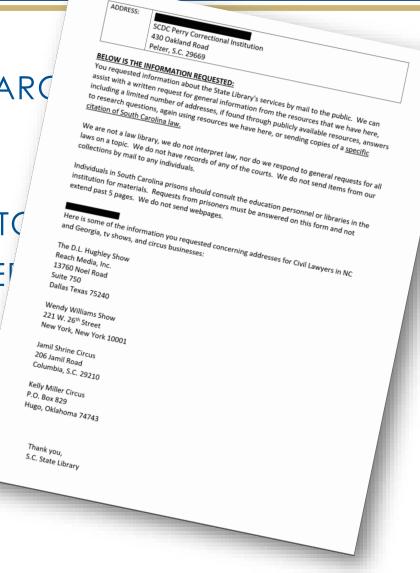
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# Information Requests to South Carolina Inmates

PROVIDE REQUESTED INFORMATION TO INCARC INDIVIDUALS IN SOUTH CAROLINA INFORMATION REQUESTS SENT VIA LETTER RESEARCH COMPLETED AND MAILED BACK TC ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOLLOWS APPROVE/ PROCEDURES AND POLICIES





# FCI Edgefield Prison Library Training

PROVIDED LIBRARY SERVICES TRAINING TO EDUCATIONAL STAFF FROM EDGEFIELD FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION

EDGEFIELD FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION HAS A FEDERAL CERTIFICATION FOR THEIR CORRECTIONAL LIBRARY





## Interlibrary Loan (ILL): Lending and Borrowing

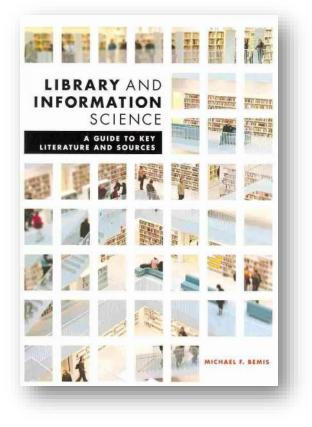
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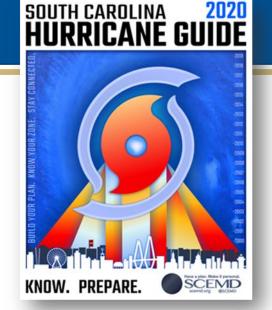
SERVICE ALLOWS FOR ITEMS TO BE SENT FROM ANOTHER

LIBRARY FOR A STATE LIBRARY CARDHOLDER

CARDHOLDERS MAY REQUEST BOOKS, JOURNAL ARTICLES, AND OTHER MATERIALS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND INTERNATIONALLY

LOAN MATERIALS TO OTHER PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS, BOTH PUBLIC AND ACADEMIC







## Acquisitions

#### RESEARCH COLLECTION:

Supports independent study and lifelong learning needs of the general public

Professional information needs of state employees, government officials, and members of the library profession

#### SUBJECT HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

#### Technology

Library Development

Administration/Management

Governance

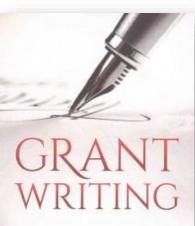
**Grants Research** 

EXTENSIVE SOUTH CAROLINA PRINT COLLECTION

COLLECTION BUDGET APPROXIMATELY \$34,000 A YEAR

COLLECTION IS CURRENTLY OVER 175,000 ITEMS





The Right Way To Write Successful Grant Proposals & Start Raising Funds

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## **First Floor Services**

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC MONDAY-FRIDAY, 8:30AM-5:00PM

#### SERVICES INCLUDE:

Free Wi-Fi

Quiet areas to work or study

**Research assistance** 

Genealogy resources

**Reference materials** 

Access to state documents

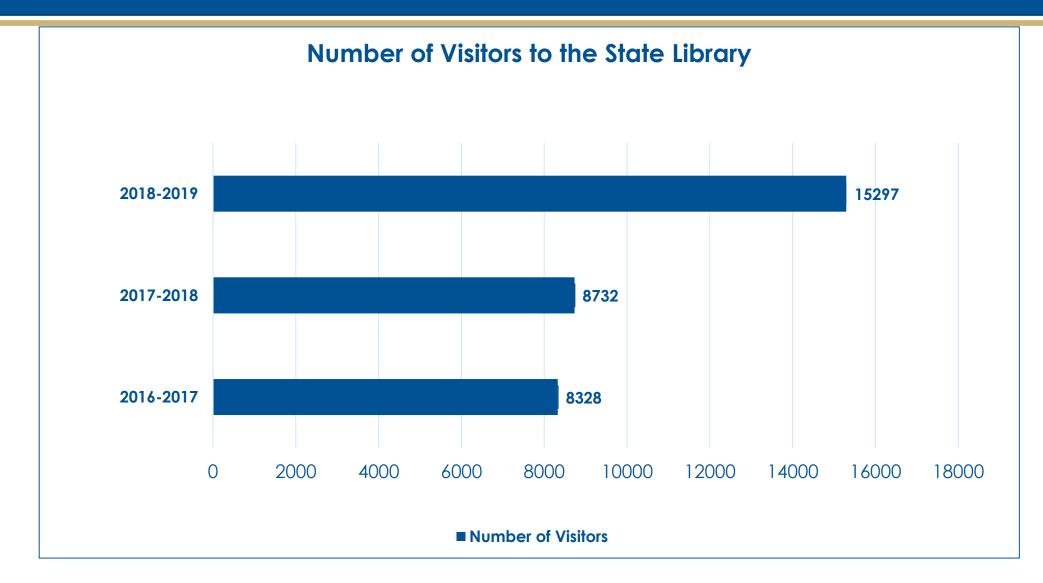
Access to newspapers from across the state

Magazines with a South Carolina focus





## **First Floor Services**





## **Meeting Rooms**

## MEETING SPACE FOR GROUPS

SPACES ARE AVAILABLE TO:

#### Libraries

State government agencies

Library organizations

Non-profit groups











## **Electronic Newsletters/Email Marketing**

#### WEEKLY AND MONTHLY UPDATES PUBLISHED ON:

Collections

**Events** 

**Projects** 

Programs

**Partnerships** 

Public library events and programs

Discus

Library Development

**General resources** 



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Discovery is possible with Checkout SC Backpacks that will soon be available to check out from your local library. Inside each backpack is a magnifying glass, binoculars, a list of book recommendations, and a Statewide Park Passport. The goal is to encourage South Carolinians to experience the health benefits that come from spending time outdoors, learn South Carolina history, and see what state parks have to offer. These backpacks are funded in part through the Library Services and Technology Act provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Special thanks to the SC Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism which helped fund this program.



Access live tutoring, math storybooks, and more through Discus



With school closings around the state due to the COVID-19 situation, Discus has temporarily acquired access to new vendor-provided and state-funded resources. Learn about them all in this issue of our newsletter. Access all three resources from the A-Z List or By Grade Level tabs at www.scdiscus.org-TumbleMath

TeenBookCloud tutor.com

#### New Discus access to tutor.com now through June 30, 2020



#### **Continuing Education**



Stay In and Learn

Public libraries and the State Library are closed, but online learning is still

happening! See the State Library's event calendar for live webinars. PCI Webinars hosts events each Wednesday at 12:30, and other online learning will be available. Our Continuing Education guide has links to other free webinars from sources including Infopeople and Webjunction.

Want to stay in touch while out of the office? Sign up for the online discussion groups on topics including children's and teen services, diversity and inclusion, and continuing education.

Share your feedback on the State Library's professional development calendar by taking the Continuing Education Survey. Your input helps to develop interesting and informative learning events for library staff.

For more continuing education opportunities, visit the State Library's Events page or contact Tiffany Hayes, Continuing Education Consultant

Data & Statistics



### **Certified Public Manager Program Assistance**





THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC MANAGER (CPM) PROGRAM IS AN 18-MONTH MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY THE NATIONAL CPM CONSORTIUM AND HAS BEEN OFFERED THROUGH THE BUDGET & CONTROL BOARD SINCE 1996.

PROVIDE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION SERVICES FOR CERTIFIED PUBLIC MANAGER STUDENTS

CPM PROJECTS ADDED AND INCLUDED IN THE STATE LIBRARY'S COLLECTION

APPROXIMATELY 600 FINAL REPORTS ARE CURRENTLY IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE DOCUMENTS DEPOSITORY



### Subgrants to Fund Local Projects – Impact Grants







FUND PROJECTS AND SERVICES WITH FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE U.S. INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES UNDER THE LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT

IMPACT GRANTS AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES UP TO \$50,000 FOR UNIQUE ONE-YEAR PROJECTS

COMMON PURPOSES TO ENGAGE, INSPIRE, AND EDUCATE

SOME PROJECTS HAVE GONE ON TO RECEIVE NATIONAL ATTENTION FROM THE INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

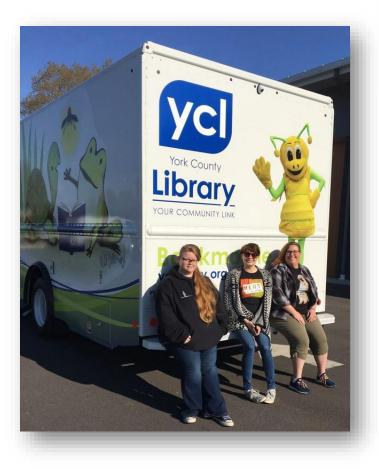
FAMILY LITERACY AND STEM-RELATED PROGRAMMING EXPANDED TO HANDHELD DEVICES AND MULTILINGUAL COLLECTIONS



### Impact Grants: York County

#### \$ 50,000.00 - Bookmobile

- Today, the bookmobile gets 36,000 visitors per year
- Bookmobile goes around the county, schools, daycares, and senior centers
- York County Library has been providing bookmobile and outreach services county-wide since 1990







### Impact Grants: Calhoun County

#### \$ 50,000.00 - Bookmobile

- The bookmobile provides:
  - Improved and expanded service
  - A lift for patrons unable to climb onto the bookmobile
  - Rolling carts that bring the collection directly to patrons
  - Visits to locations with limited access







- The library partnered with the school to aid in the development of 788 elementary school students who test in the 52nd percentile in math and English, and in the 69th percentile in Science.
- The Dorchester library, school, and the Leadership Dorchester Class of 2019 through the Chamber of Commerce are committed to raise the awareness and acumen of students in the STEAM fields and begin to prepare them for 21st Century learning.



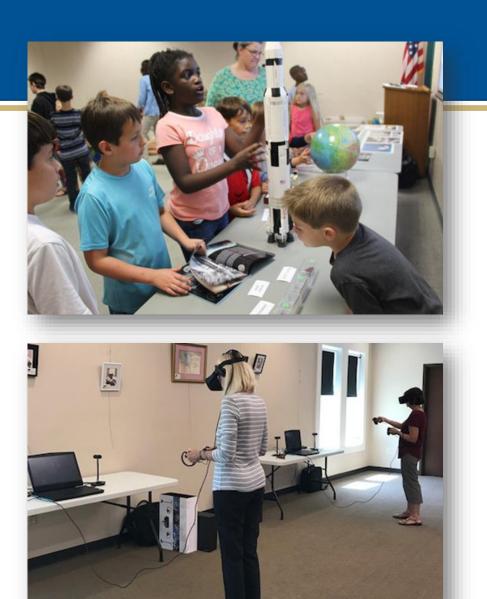
\$25,200.00 - STEAM lab at Summerville Elementary School



## Impact Grants: Georgetown County Library

These six approaches included:

- 1. Intergenerational LEGO Robotics Space Events
- 2. Science and Technology Activities for Inmates
- 3. English as a Second Language Science and Technology Tutoring Interactions
- 4. Assistive Technology Demos to Help Visually Challenged to Access Science and Technology Resources
- 5. Virtual Reality Outer Space Road Show
- 6. Space Science Programs with 3D Printer Activities





\$43,624.00 - "New Literacy Dimensions: Empowering and Expanding ESL and Adult Education in Georgetown County, SC, thru Virtual and Real Approaches to Improved Knowledge"

• The program targeted individuals and families in a rural, southern district where functional illiteracy exceeds 26%.

Percentage Of 3rd Graders Testing Below	State Standards In English/Language Arts-SC RE	ADY Beginning SY2015-16 (Percent)
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Location	Data Type	2015 - 2016	2016 - 2017	2017 - 2018	2018 - 2019
South Carolina	Percent	56.3%	57.9%	54 <b>.9</b> %	50.2%
Georgetown	Percent	63.3%	58.3%	59.1%	51.7%



### Impact Grants: Georgetown County Library

#### \$ 36,000.00 - "Moonrise: Exploring New Phases of Innovation"

• The project in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Moon landing, helped to remedy scientific illiteracy through six distinct and exciting approaches.



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### Impact Grants: Georgetown County Library

#### \$25,000 - Progress Through a Better Prison Library

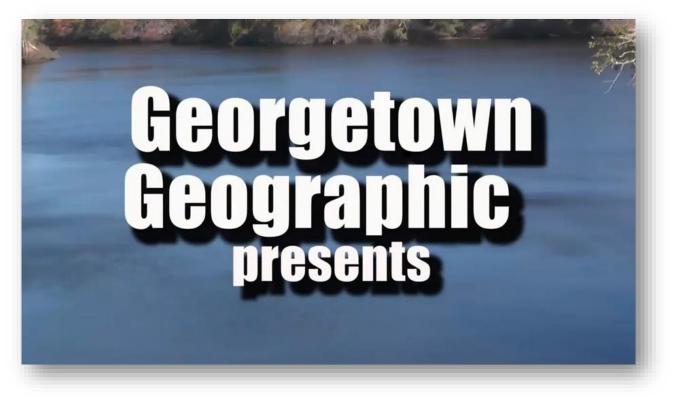
- The Amazing Journey grant:
  - Reestablished a library at the Georgetown County
     Detention Center
  - Provided 212 inmates with new fiction, nonfiction, educational, and self-help books
  - Provided 30 life skills and job search classes for those participating in the Sheriff's Reentry Program (RES)
  - RES was also given books, six laptops, two smart televisions, and AutoCAD software to aid in journeyman certification classes





#### \$28,000 - 21st Century Skills for Eco-Literacy

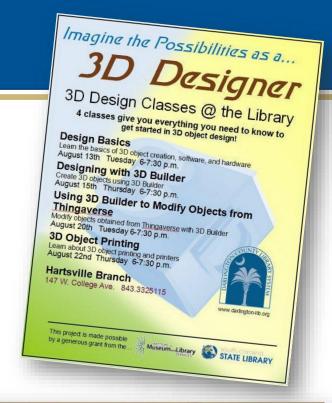
 Project was awarded to stimulate the environmental literacy of local children ages 6 - 18 based on interactive usage of technology and actual site visits involving scientific fieldwork and digital video productions at local environmental education destinations.





#### \$ 10,410.00 - "Imagine the Possibilities as a 3D Designer!"

- Designed to inspire teens, homeschoolers, adults, and the business community to become creators of useful and artistic 3D objects so that they may enrich their lives, their business, and their community.
- Staff created face shields for front line staff at Carolina Pines using their 3D printers during the COVID-19 crisis and PPE shortage.







### Impact Grants: Sumter County

#### \$7,280 – Make Station

- People in the community come together to tinker, collaborate, design, investigate, and create.
- In partnership with the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club, the library hosted Tech Playground programs which allowed children to solve STEM challenges collaboratively.
- The library partnered with the Shepherd's Center of Sumter to offer monthly craft programs for seniors using the Make Station.









### Impact Grants: Sumter County Library

#### \$9,581 STEM Adventures Project

- Offered a wide variety of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) programs to elementary and middle school students through the STEM Adventures LSTA grant.
- The library partnered with the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club to help serve populations typically under-represented in STEM fields.







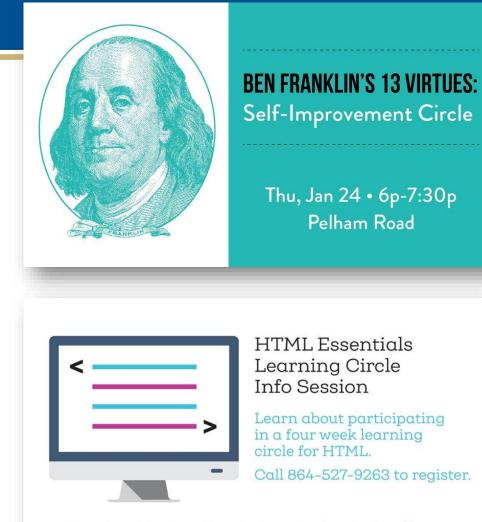




### Impact Grants: Greenville County

#### \$8,650.00 – G Suite Learning Circles

- Using the Learning Circle programming model which combines online learning with lightly facilitated, in-person meetings.
- Library staff conducted a seven-week, offsite technology skills trainings for underserved adults who are unemployed or who have low income.



Mon, Jun 18 & Jun 25 • 6p-7p • Hughes Main Library

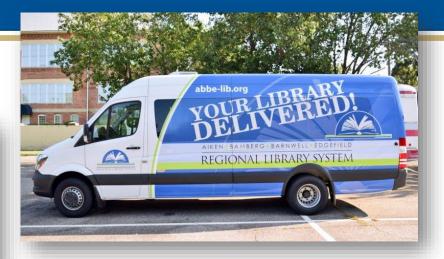


### Impact Grants: ABBE Regional Library System

#### \$40,000 Outreach Vehicle

The ABBE Regional Library System purchased an outreach vehicle that is handicap accessible and Wi-Fi enabled to provide outreach and bookmobile services to homebound seniors and others with mobility issues at assisted living facilities, senior housing complexes, and retirement communities.





#### SCHEDULE





### Impact Grants: Union County Carnegie Library

#### \$11,094 - Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training certification

 Certified staff held MHFA sessions for local residents and organizations, including substance use, depression/anxiety, etc. teaching community members how to recognize a person experiencing a mental health crisis, and take appropriate actions to help.



Union County Carnegie Public Library, SC: City of Union's Police Chief, Union County Director of EMS, Corrections Officers, and First Steps home educators attend a Mental Health First Aid training course led by Assistant Director Taylor Atkinson.



### **Impact Grants: Union County**

#### \$31,625.00 – "Accessing Technology" project

- Focused on serving at-risk youth, providing them with alternative opportunities outside of school, which are not currently available in the community, in order to broaden their options for future success.
- Focused on assisting adults in completing the 2020 Census.





### Impact Grants: Union County Library

#### \$16,605 - Empowering Union County through Community Centered Access

 Consisted of taking library resources beyond the walls of the public library by creating outreach kits for library staff to use in the community to provide programs and services to disabled adults, preschoolers, and families in rural areas who lack the ability or means to get to the public library.





### Impact Grants: Beaufort County Library

#### \$23,194 - Kajeet Smartspot Education Broadband Project

- The Library partnered with Verizon, Kajeet, Beaufort County, and the Beaufort County School District to provide free mobile hotspot coverage to students and their families from middle school through high school in the rural areas of northern Beaufort County.
- Used as a pilot program for the State Library's AccessSC project.



Contact your local library to check out a hotspot.







### Impact Grants: Greenwood County Library

#### \$7,019 - The Ware Shoals Community Library

- The library collaborated with the local high school on a Mi-Fi Education Project to loan students in grades 9-12 a Mi-Fi kit that included a Smartspot<sup>™</sup>, a tablet, and a month's subscription of Internet service.
- Project was implemented to assist students who did not have a computer or internet access at home to help complete homework assignments and projects.



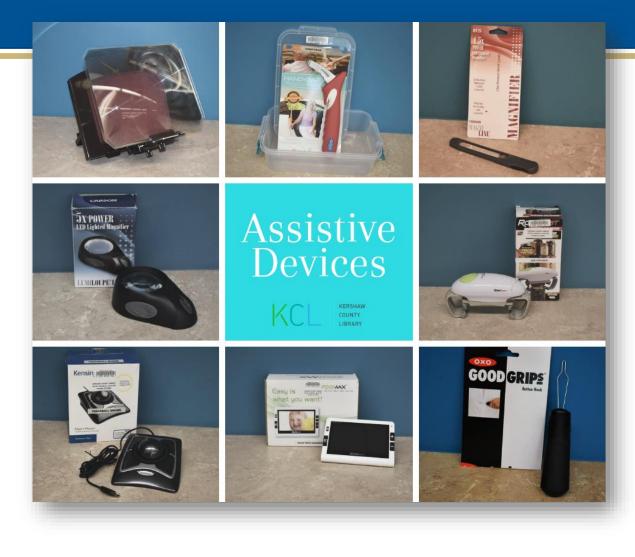


### Impact Grants: Kershaw County Library

# \$12,000 - Bringing Access to Life: Assistive Devices for Anyone

 Project designed to provide assistive technology to improve the functional capabilities and quality of life for patrons with a physical difference which impacts their life.







### Impact Grants: Richland Library

#### \$25,000 - Literacy to Life

- Project sought to improve, expand, and increase access to library services for detainees at the Alvin S Glenn Detention Center.
- Offered instructional sessions on vocational preparedness skill sets and life skills strategies to provide access to individualized social services assistance and resources.





The McCormick County Library in partnership with the SC Governor's School for Agriculture (formerly the John de la Howe School) with funding from the State Library and IMLS creater and IMLS creaters and IMLS creater and IMLS cr

#### \$18,000.00 - John de la Howe School of Agriculture Partnership

- McCormick County Library partnered with the new Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe created a collaborative program focused on plant life and farming in South Carolina.
- A hydroponic system was even installed in the Library!
- This program provided students and library patrons with an opportunity to learn about the entire process of farming from seeding, to harvesting, to packaging lettuce.
- Food grown was used to feed students.
- The Library also hosted author, Sarah Frey to discuss her book: How I built a New Life and Saved an American Farm.









### Impact Grants: University of South Carolina Libraries

#### \$19,578 - South Carolina Historical Newspapers

- Project was a collaboration with the University of South Carolina Libraries and the South Caroliniana Library to:
  - Partner with the Camden Archives
  - Digitize 35 rolls of microfilmed newspapers or approximately 20,000 pages
  - Launch the South Carolina Historical Newspaper site through the installation of the Chronicling America software



Camden Chronicle 1911



#### Check Out SC Backpacks

Project encourages south carolinians to visit south carolina state parks by checking out a SC backpack

The statewide park passport allows families free day-entry into state parks

#### BACKPACK ITEMS INCLUDE:

Statewide park passport

Magnifying glass

**Binoculars** 

**Book recommendations** 







### Planning Grants to Public Libraries

SERVICES TO:

- Perform community needs assessments
- Project-based strategic planning
- Preparatory planning or research in support of future library projects
- IMPROVE THE LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES FOR FUTURE PROJECTS

#### PLANNING GRANTS AWARDED TO:

Calhoun

Lancaster

Orangeburg

Oconee

York



Planning workshop



### Minigrants to Public Libraries: Family Place

#### FAMILY PLACE LIBRARIES<sup>™</sup> ARE:

A nationwide network of libraries

**Currently in 32 states** 

Focused on creating centers for early literacy & learning, parent education and engagement, family support, and community connectivity

Ensure all children enter school ready and able to learn

#### FAMILY PLACE PROJECTS PROVIDED TO:

Marian Wright Edelman Memorial Library in Marlboro County

**Charleston County Public Library** 

Projects provide training, implementation, and materials to offer family place certified programs





### Minigrants to Public Libraries: Family Place

Programs were implemented at each location to serve children ages 0-5, their families, and incorporate a community partner that would help expose caregivers to available resources.











### Minigrants to Public Libraries: SC Plants the Seed project

SOUTH CAROLINA

PLANTS THE SEED

Partnered with SC DSS, SCDHEC, and local farmers to provide nutritional education events to promote food literacy and healthy eating

#### SC PLANTS THE SEED:

**Promotes early literacy** 

Lifelong learning

Increases awareness of locally farmed produce

Provides lower income residents of South Carolina an opportunity to purchase healthy fresh produce using SNAP benefits

SCDHEC provided a speaker to provide examples of healthy meals prepared using local produce









## South Carolina K-12 School Technology Initiative

- Formed to address technology infrastructure, connectivity, and education in schools and libraries throughout the State
- The Initiative guides the distribution of funds appropriated by the Governor and General Assembly
- These funds collectively help to meet the state's schools need for:
  - Software
  - Hardware
  - Connectivity
  - Digital content
  - Instructional technologies
  - Professional development





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Who makes up the Initiative?

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA





Statewide organization to help foster, create, and support local friends of the library groups

Provides networking opportunities for groups to work together for the support of library services

Activities include:

Helping new Friends groups get started

Sponsoring programs

Hosting legislative gatherings

Maintain a website of grant and award opportunities



#### **FOSCL'S Mission:**

- To help foster, create, and support local Friends of the library groups, and to provide a means for these groups to work together for the betterment of library service in South Carolina.
- To serve as a resource for local Friends groups
- To promote wider knowledge and use of libraries as cultural and information centers for individuals and groups
- To support improved library education in South Carolina
- To support the Library Bill of Rights



### Library Jobs in South Carolina

Job page listing available library jobs

Free for any library to advertise available jobs

Provides equal access to library job information

Assists smaller libraries with promoting job openings

### Library Jobs in SC

Statewide Program Coordinator South Carolina State Library Columbia, South Carolina Posted: 02-10-21

Health Sciences Librarian Clemson University Clemson, SC Posted: 03-08-21

Library Technical Assistant, Technical Services Department The Miller F. Whittaker Library, South Carolina State University Orangeburg, SC Posted: 02-26-21

Systems & Technology Librarian Colleton County Memorial Library Walterboro, SC Posted: 02-25-21





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