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 *State Library Newsletter*

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Missouri Secretary of State
John R. Ashcroft



Missouri State Library News

FY24 Long Term Grants

The grant dates for the FY24 long-term grants were moved thirty days later in comparison to prior years to minimize the issue of not having a timely annual federal budget, which stops the allocation and distribution of IMLS funding. All future grants continue to be susceptible to this funding allocation. Since the long-term grants come earliest in the Missouri State Library grant cycle, these are most likely the only grants affected. The [grant call schedule](#) lists the application due dates and report due dates of all scheduled grants.

The Digital Imaging Grant (DIG) is currently viewable in the online grant management system. This grant requires a [Letter of Intent](#) be submitted by Jan. 15, 2024 as one of the

eligibility requirements for this grant. If you have any questions on the DIG, please contact Matt at matthew.butler@sos.mo.gov.

Upcoming grant application due dates:

- Spotlight on Literacy application is due Feb. 28, 2024.
- Digital Imaging Grant application is due March 15, 2024.
- Technology Ladder application is due April 1, 2024.

With the exception of the DIG, all other scheduled grant applications open approximately 45 days prior to the due date

Reference Services for YOU: Missouri Digital Heritage

In the [Missouri Digital Heritage](#) collection through the Secretary of State's Office, you will find numerous historic Missouri government documents to share with patrons:

- [Missouri Session Laws, 1824-Present](#)
- [Missouri Constitutions, 1820-1945](#)
- [Official Manual, "Blue Books", 1878-2000](#)
- [Missouri Supreme Court Reports, 1821-1955](#)
- [Missouri State Penitentiary Register, 1836-1931](#)
- [Department of Agriculture Reports, 1867-Present](#)
- [Missouri Conservationist, 1938-2004](#)
- [Bureau of Labor and Statistics Report, 1879-2004](#)

Explore more collections of interest available through the Missouri Digital Heritage Project:

- [Missouri Birth & Death Records Database, pre-1910](#)
- [Missouri Death Certificates, 1910-1972](#)
- [Naturalization Records, 1816-1955](#)
- [Land Records, 1777-1969](#)
- [Soldiers' Records, War of 1812-World War I](#)

Historic print editions are also available at the [Missouri State Archives](#). Patrons can call the State Archives at (573) 751-3280 or send an email to archives@sos.mo.gov.

Questions? Contact Reference Services at (573) 751-3615, libref@sos.mo.gov, or mostate.libguides.com.

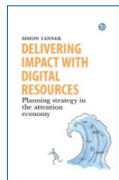
Featured Books from the State Library



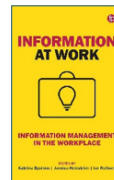
[Demystifying Online Instruction in Libraries](#)



[Constructing Library Buildings That Work](#)



[Delivering Impact with Digital Resources](#)



[Information at Work: Information Management in the Workplace](#)

Discover new Library Professional Development titles as well as recorded webinars, government publications, and more on the [Missouri Library Staff Guide](#).

Directors and branch managers are able to sign up for a State Library card from the guide and are encouraged to borrow items for themselves or any of their library's staff.

Deflect OCLC Loan Requests from Outside the U.S.

OCLC recently announced a new profiled group designed to enable US libraries to deflect loan requests from outside the US. The group was created in response to several requests from OCLC libraries in the US that cannot lend physical loans outside the country, for example, due to prohibitive shipping costs or customs requirements. Similar groups have been formed in other countries and regions for the same reason.

The new OSUS (Libraries outside of US) group includes all OCLC interlibrary loan libraries

physically located outside the US. By using the OSUS group, libraries in the US can now create a straightforward policy to automatically deflect all loan requests from libraries outside the US. If you are interested in setting up this deflection, you can do so in the [OCLC Policies Directory](#) on the **Policies** tab. If you have any questions or would like assistance, please feel free to contact [OCLC Support](#).





Brooklyn Public Library 2023 Library Card Access Survey

The Association for Rural and Small Libraries is partnering with Brooklyn Public Library to distribute an important survey on cardholder signup policies at public libraries across the United States. The survey should take about 25 minutes to complete.

Purpose: By responding to this survey, you are contributing to the first known sampling of public library card access trends across the United States. The survey collects data about your

library's cardholder signup process for adults and children/teenagers, as well as how these policies and procedures are revised. Brooklyn Public Library will share findings in a report issued to the field in spring 2024; and will convene a working group next summer to publish a framework for library leaders of best practices around cardholder access.

Ensure **YOUR** library is represented! Access the survey [here](#).

Grant Opportunities

[Educational Presenter Grant](#) • **Deadline: Ongoing**

This open-call grant is a combination of the previously offered Author Visit Grant and the Bicentennial Programs Grant, and will replace the two separate grants. Libraries can apply to bring an author or educational presentation to their community. This application is open

to Missouri public libraries certified to receive FY23 state aid, Missouri school libraries publicly supported and publicly controlled, and Missouri academic libraries supported publicly or privately.

[Penguin Random House Grants for Small Libraries](#)

Through the generosity of Penguin Random House, a new grant opportunity for small, rural libraries is available nationwide! This grant is available to libraries that meet both the IMLS definition for small libraries (a service population of 25,000 or fewer) and the definition for rural libraries (libraries located 5 or more miles from the nearest town of 25k or more).

Applicants may request:

- One (1) monetary grant in support of a community-oriented project for up to \$1,000
- OR**
- An in-kind grant donation of up to \$1,000 in equivalent value to support a circulating collection in your library.

The program will award grants to libraries that demonstrate a true need. First-time recipients

will receive priority when reviewing the applications. Monetary grants are not limited to literacy and may be used for everything from library programming and books to resources like hotspots that help community members access important information. Libraries seeking support for digital collections should request a monetary grant. Applications may be submitted beginning Dec. 4. Access the application [here](#) when it opens. Deadline to submit applications is Dec. 15.

Notifications of funding decision will be sent to applicants by March 8, 2024.

Funded projects must be completed by Dec. 31, 2024.

Project reports must be submitted by Feb. 1, 2025.

Professional Development Offerings

Amigos Library Services

December trainings include:

- Know & Go: Storytelling and Data Visualization with Qualitative Data, Dec. 11, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
- The Usable and Accessible Library Space, Dec. 12 & 14, 2 – 4 p.m.

- Introduction to Emergency Management for Libraries, Dec. 13, 1 – 3 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit the [Amigos Continuing Education Services Schedule](#).

CLiC Virtual Winter Workshop

The Colorado Library Consortium is holding their Virtual Winter Workshop on Thursday, Feb. 1, 2024, 1 – 3:30 p.m. and Friday, Feb. 2, 2024, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. The hallmark of CLiC Virtual Winter Workshop is practical content geared

for rural communities. [Registration](#) is open now. Convenience and great content for \$25 *including* access to recordings for one year. Registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 26, 2024.

MALA

The December webinar is:

- Thinking of a Master's in Library Science? Dec. 5, 10 – 11 a.m.

For the complete webinar list, visit the [MALAPro Professional Development Schedule](#).

Northeast Document Conservation Center

December trainings include:

- Storing Audiovisual Collections, Dec. 7, 1 – 3 p.m.
- Strategies for Oversized Collections, Dec. 12, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit the [NEDCC Current Training Programs](#).



WebJunction

December and January trainings include:

- Tools for Reimagining School Readiness, Dec. 5, 2 – 3 p.m.
- Stronger Together: Collective Impact and Climate Action Programming, Dec. 13, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

- Libraries Foster Social Connection: Responding to the Epidemic of Loneliness and Isolation, Jan. 4, 2 – 3 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit the [WebJunction Webinar Calendar](#). Create a free account to access webinar archives and training in the [WebJunction Course Catalog](#).



Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft

John R. (Jay) Ashcroft is Missouri's 40th secretary of state. Each year Secretary Ashcroft travels to all of Missouri's 114 counties to talk with local officials, students, library executives, and business owners to promote Missouri and learn how he can help make Missouri even better.

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