U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE
LIBRARY SERVICES & CONTENT MANAGEMENT UPDATE
Fall 2020

The following highlights accomplishments and updates from the U.S. Government Publishing Office's (GPO's) Library Services & Content Management (LSCM) business unit for FY 2020.

Library Operating Statuses & FDLP Shipments

COVID-19 continues to impact libraries across the country. In May 2020, depository libraries were asked to keep GPO abreast of their operating status through the use of a form. Questions included whether they were able to accept regular, microfiche, and maps shipments. For libraries indicating that they are able to receive shipments, GPO's Depository Distribution staff resumed shipments to libraries beginning July 6 after halting shipments in March 2020. Older shipments are being processed first and additionally, shipments of microfiche have recently resumed (late August 2020), with materials being processed and mailed by the Depository Distribution staff. Additionally, GPO asked if libraries were open for their staff, affiliates, and members of the public. As of October 1, the form has been filled out by 675 libraries (60% of FDLs), who have varying degrees of 'openness' or ability to receive shipments.

Some key takeaways:
- 57% of libraries are reported as open for staff.
- 32% are open for affiliates.
- 16% are open for members of the public.
- 57% are able to receive regular shipments.
- 55% are able to receive map shipments.
- 55% are able to receive microfiche shipments.

Libraries are encouraged to fill out the Notification Form any time there is a change in services.

COVID-19 Toolkit for Federal Depository Libraries
https://www.fdlp.gov/promotion/covid-19-fdlp-toolkit

In the COVID-19 Tool Kit: Federal Depository Library Program, access:

- Information for Federal depository library staff on FDLP operations during the pandemic.
- Information for libraries in general.
- Reliable U.S. Government information resources for FDLP patrons.
- Downloadable images you can use for your library website to link patrons to your COVID-19 information pages or research guides.
- Infographics to share with patrons.
- Recorded webinars for library staff and patrons.

Since information on the pandemic is constantly changing, LSCM is continuing to update this resource with new information as it becomes available.

COVID-19 Guidance for Libraries
https://www.fdlp.gov/file-repository/preservation/4295-guidance-for-managing-federal-depository-library-collections-safely-during-covid-19

Early reports from China and Europe and emerging research from *The New England Journal of Medicine*[1] and *The Journal of Hospital Infection*[2] showed that the COVID-19 virus could be transferred to library materials when they are used by an infected person. Chemical sanitizers and disinfectants used to clean the virus from hard surfaces and hands are detrimental to library materials. As the FDLP works to reopen libraries and restore services to users, GPO has responded by monitoring developing research on the COVID-19 virus and has produced a guidance document containing the latest information regarding a recommended quarantine time for library materials.

The guidance document, *GUIDANCE FOR MANAGING FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY COLLECTIONS SAFELY DURING COVID-19*, will be updated as the phased results of the multi-part REALM (Reopening Archives, Libraries, and Museums) study, funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services; OCLC; and Battelle, become available.[3] GPO will continue to monitor the REALM project and update the guidance documentation as necessary until the REALM grant concludes in September of 2021. GPO will continue to monitor the literature for new and updated studies.

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[1] Doremalen, N., Bushmaker, T., Morris, D. (2020). Aerosol and Surface Stability of SARS-CoV-2 as Compared with SARS-CoV-1. *New England Journal of Medicine,* March 17, 2020. https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMc2004973

[2] Kampf, G., Todt, D., Pfaender, S., Steinmann, E. (2020). Persistence of coronaviruses on inanimate surfaces and their inactivation with biocidal agents. *Journal of Hospital Infection,* Volume 104 (3), P246-251, March 1, 2020. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhin.2020.01.022

[3] Reopening Archives, Libraries, and Museums Project: https://www.webjunction.org/explore-topics/COVID-19-research-project.html

The Guidance document may be found under the [Preservation tab](#) and as a part of the [COVID-19 Toolkit](#) on FDLP.gov.

New FDLP Library

In July 2020, GPO welcomed Lake Pleasant Public Library, which is located amongst the Adirondack Mountains, as a new member of the FDLP. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) designated the library to be part of the program. The library is the only depository library in Hamilton County in northern New York. The library provides the local Lake Pleasant community with no-cost access to both digital and tangible Federal Government information. The candidacy of the Lake Pleasant Public Library for the program was endorsed by the State Library, which is also New York's regional Federal depository library.

New Shared Regionals

The University of Georgia Libraries (UGA) and the University of Florida's George A. Smathers Libraries (UF) are the FDLP's newest shared regionals. Senator Kelly Loeffler of Georgia and Senator Marco Rubio of Florida approved the arrangement and made the shared regional designations. The Memorandum of Understanding that established the shared regional was signed and became effective July 1, 2020. GPO thanks Regional Depository Coordinators Valerie Glenn (UGA) and Sarah Erekson (UF) for their interest and willingness to work together to better serve their communities' Government information needs.

There are several models for shared arrangements for regional depository libraries. For more information about shared regionals, see the Superintendent of Documents Depository Guidance Document (SOD-DGD) 2018-1, [Guidelines for Establishing Shared Regional Depository Libraries](#).

If you are interested in exploring a shared model or if you have any questions, email [FDLPOutreach@gpo.gov.](mailto:FDLPOutreach@gpo.gov)

FDLP National Collection Strategy Framework
https://www.fdlp.gov/about-the-fdlp/the-national-collection

The *National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information: A Strategy Framework Document* provides a long-term foundation and high-level structure to guide and inform the development of more detailed short-term strategic action plans for the Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents, replacing the *National Plan for Access to U.S. Government Information.*

The broader strategic themes that will help us achieve our vision of providing Government information when and where it is needed are:

ENRICH   [The National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information](#)

EXPAND   Access to Government Information, Services to Depository
          Libraries, Partnerships/Collaborations

ENGAGE   With Depository Libraries, Federal Agencies, the General
          Public, and Other Stakeholders

The table below conveys how fiscal year 2020 LSCM priority goals and objectives mapped in the strategic framework. The priority project objectives for a fiscal year will fall under at least one of these three themes.

FY 2020 GOALS	ENRICH	EXPAND	ENGAGE
Build and Maintain the National Collection	Undergo Trustworthy Digital Repository (TDR) surveillance audit	Increase the number of Preservation Stewards	Develop an outreach plan to Federal agencies
Enhance Cataloging and Metadata Services	Add Preservation Steward holdings to the CGP	Increase the number of depositories in the Cataloging Record Distribution Program	Provide focused cataloging record sets on GitHub
Enhance FDLP Tools and Services	Continue digitization of the historical collection of Government documents	Implement new askGPO platform	Increase the number of Community LibGuides

ISO 16363:2012 Trustworthy Digital Repository Audit and Certification of FDsys/govinfo
https://www.fdlp.gov/preservation/trusted-digital-repository-iso-16363-2012-audit-and-certification

On December 28, 2018, GPO made history by becoming the first organization in the United States and second organization in the world to achieve ISO 16363:2012 Certification. The Primary Trustworthy Digital Repository (TDR) Authorisation Body Ltd. awarded GPO ISO 16363:2012 for **govinfo** and publically announced the certificate on their website. Certification of **govinfo** from an accredited certifying body validates GPO's commitment to standards-based digital preservation practices and activities across 109 criteria in the areas of Organizational Governance, Digital Object Management, and Infrastructure and Security Management. TDR certification has been a key GPO strategic initiative and a joint effort of GPO's LSCM and Programs, Strategy, and Technology (PST) business units since 2015. Certification under ISO 16363 provides assurance to GPO stakeholders, including the FDLP community, that **govinfo** is a standards-

compliant digital archive in which Government information shall be preserved, accessible, and usable well into the future.

As of September 2020, GPO is currently the only institution in the world to hold ISO 16363 Trustworthy Repository Certification. GPO is currently undergoing a second surveillance audit to maintain certification.

Superintendent of Documents Public Policies

Since our annual conference last year, two Superintendent of Documents Public Policy Statements (SOD-PPS) were reviewed, revised, and released:

- [Government Publications Authorized for Discard by Regional Depository Libraries](#) (SOD-PPS-2020-1).

  The goal of **SOD-PPS-2020-1** is to give regional depository libraries more flexibility to manage their depository collections through the ability to discard depository materials. The major changes in the policy are the reduction to five years for which a title has to be held by the regional and the expansion of where the digital equivalent can reside beyond **govinfo**—to digital preservation stewards and to Federal agency partners. Please consult the policy for all the details and requirements.

- [Authentication of Publications in GPO's System of Online Access](#) (SOD-PPS-2020-2).

  The purpose of this policy is to ensure the integrity and authenticity of the digital content in GPO's system of online access, **govinfo**, through various actions. Further evidence of this will be provided to our designated community of stakeholders and information consumers, so they can trust that what they are seeing is in fact the official document, and trust that no unauthorized changes have been made to it. The internal policy was revised to remove procedures and to include maintaining certification as a trusted digital repository. Please consult the policy for the details.

In addition to policies, the Superintendent of Documents also issued a Depository Guidance Document, [Federal Depository Libraries Relinquishing Their Designation | Strategic Disposition of Depository Materials for Keeping America Informed](#) (SOD-DGD-2020-1), which became effective June 15, 2020.

Building and preserving the National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information is a strategic priority of both the Superintendent of Documents and GPO. In order to accomplish this, GPO must have a more active role in the workflow for the disposition of materials from Federal depository libraries when the library is relinquishing its depository designation. SOD-DGD-2020-1 provides a framework for this. Please see the guidance document for more details.

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askGPO Salesforce
https://ask.gpo.gov/s/

LSCM's new askGPO Salesforce platform went live August 10, retiring the 17+ year old RightNow system. The new askGPO will strengthen our customer interaction with FDLs, Federal agencies, and the public. The new customer platform provides a hub for current and historical inquiries, contact and library information and program management, such as the CRDP, anniversary requests, and individual needs of the libraries. Libraries and Federal agencies are now, through an individual login, able to access documents, previously submitted inquiries, and forms. This allows for a more easily-accessible, readily-available resource for both LSCM and the FDLs, Federal agencies, and public users. Implementation of the system is completed, and we moved into the sustainability and enhancement phase as of October 1, 2020. Some additional data migration activities, which will provide more content from GPO's recently scanned FDLP library files, is scheduled to take place in FY21.

As a reminder, the full set of hour-long training sessions and quick reference how-to modules are available on fdlp.gov.

Enhancing Content in govinfo
https://www.govinfo.gov

GPO continues to increase access to current and historic content in **govinfo**.

Notable additions in FY20 include:

- Digitized volumes of the U.S. Government Manual (1935 – 1994)
- New submissions from Digital Content Contributors:
  - Washington State Library
  - Boise State University
  - University of Washington
- Publications related to FY21 Federal Appropriations
- Volume 2 of the Precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives (2017 series)
- Railroad Retirement Board publications
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) publications

GPO is actively digitizing, and current needs are posted to the GPO Digitization: GPO Needs Lists LibGuide. Offering weeded depository material to GPO supports the *National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information* and increases public access to Government publications.

Another way to support the *National Collection* is to contribute digitized content to **govinfo**. If you are interested in becoming a Digital Content Contributor, please contact us at PreserveFedInfo@gpo.gov.

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Digitization of the U.S. Congressional Serial Set Back to 1817

GPO is continuing its collaboration with the Law Library of Congress to digitize and make accessible volumes of the Serial Set. The Law Library of Congress is inventorying and digitizing the Serial Set, while GPO is focused on metadata, the development of a new **govinfo** collection, and seeking any replacement volumes needed by the Law Library.

Digitization began in fall 2019 and will continue for some time. GPO received the first delivery of digitized content, 445 volumes, from the Law Library over the summer. The team is using this content to develop workflows and processes that will be used to process deliveries going forward. The team is ensuring data integrity throughout the processes, gathering and producing metadata for the serial set volumes and documents, and compiling requirements to design the Serial Set collection in **govinfo**.

As the digitization continues, the list of needed volumes will grow, so please regularly check the Serial Set needs list on FDLP LibGuides and FDLP eXchange. LSCM needs your help to ensure all volumes are digitized.

LSCM staff are also working to gather bibliographic metadata about each volume and the individual reports and documents contained within the volumes. If you know of any community-produced Serial Set metadata resources, please reach out to PreserveFedInfo@gpo.gov.

GPO Partnerships
https://www.fdlp.gov/about-the-fdlp/partnerships

Since 1997, GPO has developed strategic partnerships with Federal depository libraries and other Federal agencies to increase access to electronic Federal information.

LSCM has official partnership agreements in place with 66 organizations to advance free public access to U.S. Government information.

Partnerships range from organizations that pledge to permanently preserve Government publications in their libraries, to organizations that make a commitment to retain and make publicly accessible, at no fee, digital resources within scope of the FDLP, to organizations that provide digital content to GPO for ingest into **govinfo**, and more.

During FY 2020, these libraries made the commitment to serve as Preservation Stewards for the following collections:

- Lawrence University: American State Papers and various 19th century publications.
- State Library of Pennsylvania: various 19th century publications.

- University of North Texas: various Federal publications, including the bound Congressional Record and the Serial Set.

The Donald E. Pray Law Library, College of Law at the University of Oklahoma, is also now serving as a Digital Access Partner for their resource, American Indian and Alaskan Native Documents in the Congressional Serial Set, 1817-1899.

The University Libraries, University of Washington is now a Digital Content Contributor. Their first contribution is a Treasury publication entitled Your Path, Peace and Security.

Visit FDLP.gov's partnership page to view current partnerships and for information on pursuing a partnership with GPO.

Congressional Research Service Reports

LSCM continues to catalog Congressional Research Service (CRS) Reports in accordance with the agreement made with the Library of Congress in October 2018. As of mid-September 2020, LTS staff have cataloged over 6,638 separate, unique CRS report titles. This is approximately 78% of all reports available on the site. LSCM is cataloging reports in the *CRS report* series as well as the *In Focus*, *Insight,* and *Legal Sidebar* reports. In August 2020, LTS confirmed that the Congressional Research Service completed publishing its back catalog of reports, which means only newly-published reports (a much smaller number) will need to be cataloged going forward. LSCM has prioritized cataloging any reports concerning COVID-19 and the coronavirus; many of those records are now available in the CGP.

GPO and the Law Library of Congress Collaborate on Cataloging Historical Legal Reports

The Law Library of Congress and GPO are collaborating on a multi-year project to catalog thousands of digitized and born-digital historical legal reports. The Law Library of Congress is digitizing the reports, and GPO's Library Technical Services unit (LTS) is cataloging the reports that will be made available online.

LTS cataloged the first two batches of reports and began work on the third batch. As of the end of September 2020, staff members have cataloged 504 records.

LTS staff members streamlined the processing of the preliminary MARC files that the Law Library of Congress provides. They conduct an initial overall review of the records to identify issues that require global metadata modifications. They also submit requests to the Office of Archival Management for the batch creation of PURLs and run a routine of global updates and enhancements that include the insertion of the PURLs, the item number, and the SuDoc stem.

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Free Catalog Records via the CGP on GitHub
https://github.com/usgpo/cataloging-records

The CGP on GitHub is where users may freely download record sets extracted from the CGP.

LSCM recently added new collections of bibliographic records to the CGP on GitHub repository and expanded the range of the content of the record sets. LSCM also reorganized the structure of the repository to facilitate the use of the files.

LTS staff added a collection of records for publications on COVID-19 and coronavirus and a collection of the CGP records whose PURLs we updated to address issues related to the adoption of a new protocol named Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC). For more information, see the FDLP News Alerts, PURL Access Issues Update and CGP Records with Updated PURLs. LTS staff also posted the rest of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) collection files.

LSCM also started the general practice of posting .csv files with the major metadata elements in the bibliographic records, such as the OCLC number, item number, SuDoc number, title, publication date, and PURL. These files provide a method to quickly scan the publications represented in the record sets.

As the number of files were significantly increased, reorganizing the repository became a necessity. LSCM created collection pages and added brief descriptions of their contents. For collections with numerous files, the files were grouped in folders. This additional level of organization makes navigating through the collections easier.

RDA/3R Project

LSCM is preparing to adopt a new iteration of the cataloging standard Resource Description and Access (RDA). Staff in LTS use RDA and the RDA Toolkit on a daily basis to catalog U.S. Government information products. The new RDA represents the biggest change in cataloging since 2013 and will impact metadata services worldwide.

- LTS created the RDA/3R Project to help staff learn new RDA concepts and gain familiarity with the updated Toolkit. Since February 2020, LTS staff have been taking extensive training to be prepared for the launch of RDA/3R scheduled for Dec. 2020. LTS will continue training while awaiting implementation guidance from the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC). The FDLP community will be notified when a transition date is selected, likely in early 2021.

In addition, the project team compiled a list of nearly three dozen open-access training resources for anyone interested in learning about the new RDA. The list is freely available via the RDA/3R Project page on FDLP.gov.

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FDLP Academy
https://www.fdlp.gov/about-the-fdlp/fdlp-academy

GPO's FDLP Academy is a free source for training opportunities, events, webinars, and webcasts for both the FDLP community and non-depository libraries. Since its inception in 2012, the FDLP Academy has hosted over 500 webinars, with over 65,000 combined registrants and over 120 recorded webcasts.

Training topics cover all aspects of Government information resources and librarianship. These educational offerings are all available via the FDLP Academy Training Repository. Contact FDLPOutreach@gpo.gov if you would like to become an FDLP Academy presenter and share your knowledge with the FDLP community.

Promoting the FDLP
https://www.fdlp.gov/promotion

A wide variety of FDLP promotional resources are available from FDLP.gov.

A revamped ordering site is now available. Click 'Log In To the Ordering Site,' use your existing FDLP.gov login credentials, and browse a variety of free products you can use to promote your library and the FDLP. New items include FDLP face masks and COVID-related signage for your library.

Downloadable handouts that focus on the benefits of being part of the FDLP and the flexibilities offered to participating libraries are also available.

In the webinar presented by GPO staff in August 2020, "Promoting Government Information and Your FDLP Collection on Your Website," GPO staff members review FDLP requirements for promoting the FDLP collection and address best practices for ensuring your users can find and make use of Government information. In addition, the presenters evaluate two FDLP websites to highlight the requirements and best practices reviewed.

The Essential FDLP
https://www.fdlp.gov/about-the-fdlp/the-essential-fdlp

LSCM gathers stories, testimonials, photos, and short videos about the importance, value, and vital nature of the FDLP and Government information. This initiative is known as 'The Essential FDLP.'

Examples include:

- Reference success stories.
- Patron testimonials.
- Quotes on the importance of the FDLP.
- Descriptions of how Government information was used in your teaching or your work.
- Your favorite Government publication and why.

LSCM collects, publishes, and shares these stories to promote the FDLP as the program continues to evolve in the 21st century.

Read our collection of stories and quotes, and consider sharing your thoughts and experiences.

Historic Publications on FDLP.gov
https://www.fdlp.gov/about-fdlp/3955-historic-publications

LSCM continues to feature Historic Publications on FDLP.gov each quarter. Fall 2020 marked the seventh installment of the feature and highlighted many contributions from GPO partners. New installments are announced via FDLP News & Events.

Special Selection Offers
https://www.fdlp.gov/special-selection-offers

LSCM continues its Special Selection Offers initiative, launched in 2019. The Special Selection Offer process allows depository libraries to make a one-time, title-specific choice to receive a publication of significant interest. Libraries that are all-digital can also take advantage of Special Selection Offers. Publications chosen in this way become part of the library's depository collection and are subject to regular FDLP retention rules.

Special Selection Offers available in FY20 included:
- Two Secret Service publications: Targeted Violence Program and School Safety Program
- Earth at Night
- Five Congressional documents relating to the impeachment of President Donald J. Trump
- Oversight of the Report on the Investigation into Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election: Former Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller, III
- Census maps: Understanding the U.S. Population
- Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19

Please contact FDLPOutreach@gpo.gov with questions about Special Selection Offers or to provide feedback on this collection development option.

Regional Discard
https://www.fdlp.gov/project-list/regional-discard-policy

As a result of the recent revision to Superintendent of Documents policy, Government Publications Authorized for Discard by Regional Depository Libraries which became effective October 1, 2020, six additional volumes of the *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States* are eligible for discard by regionals. For more information, please see the Regional Discard Policy Page.

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FDLP LibGuides
https://libguides.fdlp.gov

FDLP LibGuides is a service provided by GPO for depository libraries and the public. Guides are created by LSCM staff on a variety of topics, including those requested by the community. All guides are available for free use. Libraries and agencies can also submit their own guides for inclusion on the FDLP LibGuides Community page. In an effort to provide resources that are useful to all of our libraries, LSCM staff members continue to review the site and make enhancements to the look and content.

During FY 2020, LibGuides had more than **35,000** views, which is an increase of more than 15% from FY 2019. Significant views increased during March – July with views exceeding 3,000 each of those months.

Many new LibGuides were added, including Hot Topics such as:
- Impeachment
- COVID-19
- Constitution Day
- Census
- Elections and Voting
- African American Experience

Other Topics added:
- Environmental Cleanup
- Exploring and Surveying the American West
- Native American Resources
- Primary Resources
- U.S. Department of the Treasury

FDLP eXchange
https://www.fdlp.gov/collection-tools/fdlp-exchange

FDLP eXchange, launched in June 2018, created an automated process to support the exchange of depository publications nationwide and to facilitate communication among Federal depository libraries.

FY 2020 Statistics:
- Offers: 416,668
- Needs:
  - From Libraries: 2,738
  - From GPO: 504
  - Total: 3,242
- Inquiries to GPO about the FDLP eXchange: 122
- Training: 116 participants

ILS Enhancements

GPO's Integrated Library System was enhanced in FY 2020.

- Performance and security improvements were made.
- The Catalog of U.S. Government Publications saw improved *Refine Search* options, and Subject Headings were included in the New Titles .csv report.
- Persistent links to library information were added to the Federal Depository Library Directory.
- New MetaLib resource configurations and configuration updates to existing resources were implemented.

For FY21, LSCM is working on revising and updating our CGP About and Help pages, which will include short tutorials for basic use.

More details of CGP and related resource enhancements will be provided via [FDLP News & Events](#).

FDLP.gov

LSCM is progressing with the FDLP Modernization project. This entails platforming the system to a new infrastructure and implementing a new build from the bottom up. This project will have significant activity in FY21 with a recent contract award for a vendor to assist LSCM in this process. LSCM will update the FDLP community as this effort progresses. Meanwhile, we continue to work to maintain the current platform and ensure that it is updated and secure.

Ben's Guide to the U.S. Government
https://bensguide.gpo.gov

LSCM is currently brainstorming new content for Ben's Guide to the U.S. Government. The site experienced an uptick in traffic since the pandemic, and LSCM wants to ensure that online learners have fresh activities. Look for updates in the upcoming year. If you have suggestions for new content, please use [askGPO](#). When submitting your suggestions, click 'General Public,' then under 'select category,' select 'Ben's Guide to the U.S. Government.'

Web Archiving & The End of Term Harvest
https://www.fdlp.gov/project-list/web-archiving

LSCM continues to harvest digital publications and websites, thereby advancing FDLP collection development efforts. Through September 30, 2020, LSCM has:

- Increased the size of the FDLP Web Archive collection to 28.2 TB, with over 250,000,000 URLs.
- Made available 203 website collections in the FDLP Web Archive on Archive-It and 258 records through the CGP.

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We are currently monitoring collections in the web archive that are releasing information about the Coronavirus to ensure timely capture of these collections.

Access and full text searching of the FDLP Web Archive is available at: https://www.archive-it.org/home/FDLPwebarchive.

GPO is again a partner in the End of Term Web Archive, which captures U.S. Government websites at the end of a Presidential administration. More about the about the End of Term Project is available here, and you can also nominate URLs for inclusion.

Contact fdlpwebarchiving@gpo.gov with questions or comments.

Cataloging Record Distribution Program (CRDP)
https://www.fdlp.gov/catalogingandclassification/cataloging-record-distribution-program

The Cataloging Record Distribution Program (CRDP) provides free, GPO-produced catalog records to participating Federal depository libraries through a contract with MARCIVE, Inc. Each participating library may acquire all newly-created catalog records, or the new records plus changed records, with item numbers that match their library's item number selection profile.

GPO is adding 40 libraries to the program in FY 2021. We encourage interested libraries to join and take advantage of new services. These include:

- Catalog records that do not have item numbers or have inactive item numbers. To select these records, libraries identify desired stems.
- FDLP Basic Collection catalog records, in a single batch.
- Monthly Records Lists, which includes a list of titles.

If your library is interested in participating, or to learn more about the program, contact Federal Depository Support Services (FDSS) at FDLPOutreach@gpo.gov.

For currently participating libraries, MARCIVE continues to make records available for 45 days at this time, in lieu of the regular two-week window for picking up records. GPO appreciates this customer service in support of CRDP participating libraries.

Cataloging Guidelines
https://www.fdlp.gov/cataloging-guidelines

GPO continues to update its Cataloging Guidelines (CG); ensure they are in accord with national cataloging standards, including RDA and the Library of Congress-Program for Cooperative Cataloging Policy Statements (LC-PCC PSs); and adapt those instructions as needed for local policies and procedures. In FY 2020, a new chapter on *eBooks* and a revision of the *General MARC Field Policies*

chapter were completed and posted. Three other chapters were also completed including revisions to *Congressional Publications*, *Monographs*, and a new chapter on *FDLP Web Archive Resources*. Those chapters will be posted in the Cataloging Guidelines in the near future.

Depository Library Council Recommendations to the GPO Director & GPO Responses

After the spring 2020 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting, the DLC began developing formal recommendations and commendations for GPO.

On May 29, 2020, two recommendations and one commendation were presented. These were reviewed and discussed in detail by GPO staff, and formal GPO responses are available via FDLP.gov.

Save the Date: Spring 2021 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting

Save the date, and mark your calendars. The spring 2021 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting will take place Wednesday, April 21 – Friday, April 23, 2021. Stay tuned to FDLP News & Events for an announcement about registration in January of 2021.

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