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Technical Services Support for the Federal Depository Library Program and the Cataloging & Indexing Program

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Not Your Traditional Library!

- National-level program
 - Our tangible collection is the materials we distribute to around 1,200 depository libraries; no tangible collection at GPO
 - Electronic collection of documents linked to via PURLs and accessible from the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP)
 - Links to documents via GPO's Federal Digital System, FDsys
 - Links to documents and information resources on Federal Agency websites
 - Harvested content performed by LSCM staff
- Technical services work for all libraries, acquisitions, classification, cataloging
- Tools and services for Federal Depository Libraries and the public



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Not Your Traditional Library!

- De facto national cataloging authority for U.S. Government Documents
 - Title 44 of U.S. Code: requirement for the Cataloging and Indexing Program
 - Historic Monthly Catalog and the online catalog, 'CGP'
- Participate in national forums and initiatives related to our mission
 - Cataloging policy
 - ILS User group and development of tools for use by FDLs
 - Digitization standards, metadata policy, etc.



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Federal Depository Library Program

- Congress provides GPO funding to disseminate government documents to Depository Libraries and to catalog and index government documents as laid out in Title 44, Chapter 19:
 - **§1901. Definition of Government publication**

"Government publication" as used in this chapter, means informational matter which is published as an individual document at Government expense, or as required by law.



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Cataloging and Indexing Program

TITLE 44--PUBLIC PRINTING AND DOCUMENTS CHAPTER 17-- DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

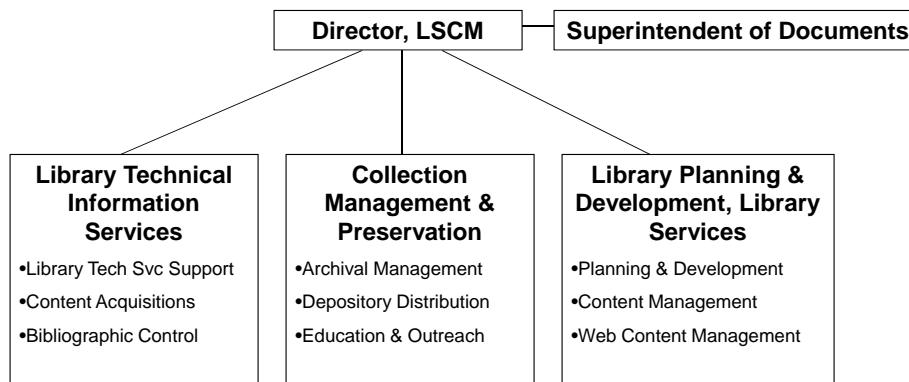
Sec. 1710. Index of documents: number and distribution

The Superintendent of Documents... shall prepare and publish a comprehensive index of public documents The head of each executive department, independent agency and establishment of the Government shall deliver to him a copy of every document issued or published by the department, bureau, or office not confidential in character.



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Library Services and Content Management
oversees the Federal Depository Library Program and the
Cataloging and Indexing Program (Realignment underway)





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What LTIS does

- Classify
 - Superintendent of Documents classification numbers
 - Library of Congress classification of Congressional documents
- Acquire, harvest, and identify new information in scope of the C & I and FDLP Programs
- Manage the LSCM ILS (Aleph 500)
 - OPAC: the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP)
 - Other CGP services: GPO's MetaLib, Federal Depository Library Directory (FDLD), Locate in a Library feature



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What LTIS does

- Catalog
 - PURL and assist with harvesting and archiving of electronic resources
- Develop plans, processes, projects, and studies that support the operational units within LSCM
- Distribute tangible publications to libraries in the FDLP
- Create shipping lists
- Manage microfiche contracts and processing of materials for microfiche (MF) conversion
- Answer AskGPO questions



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LTIS Staffing

- Professional librarians: Cataloging, serials work, ILS management, project management, workflow analysis, technical writing, etc.
- Support positions: technical services work, pre-cataloging, serials check-in, acquisitions, etc.
- Contract support for various projects

Projections for the future:

- Retirement eligible workforce, succession planning initiatives
- Changing workflow from predominately tangible to electronic
- Major shift in services and deliverables



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Overview of Acquisitions Process

- Acquire documents from all 3 branches of the U.S. Government
- Determine whether documents are in scope of the FDLP and the Cataloging and Indexing Program
- Determine distribution approach: tangible or electronic
- Perform preliminary classification
- Prepare brief bibliographic record
- Send document on to be classified and catalogued



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Methods to Acquire

- Ride print order: order tangible stock (1 copy or bulk stock)
- Review agency Web sites (identify pubs for harvesting)
- Look at tangible publications, including U.S. Government periodicals
 - Check bibliographies, publication announcements, references to other titles
- Receive material through 'deposit' agreements
- Suggestions from FDLP and library community, i.e., Lost Docs
- Develop agency contacts: in person meetings and Document Discovery initiative (agencies report new content via email)
- Identify publications acquired for GPO Sales Program
- Monitor agency listservs and announcement services, blogs, radio, and news articles



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Library Technical Services Support

- Microfiche conversion and contracts
- SuDocs Classification
- WEBTech Notes & Shipping Lists
- Integrated Library System
 - Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP)
 - GPO's MetaLib
 - Federal Depository Library Directory (FDLD)
 - Locate in a Library feature
 - New Electronic Titles (NET)
 - Z39.50 Gateway



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Bibliographic Control

Cataloging Basics

- Catalog a variety of formats
- Create bibliographic metadata, including
 - Class
 - Item number
 - Author (Personal/Corporate author)
 - Title
 - Subject access
 - Shipping List Number
 - Publishing agency
 - PURLs, harvesting, and archiving assistance



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Standards Utilized

- Anglo-American Cataloging Rules: content standard used from its inception, through iterations, to 2002 amendments, to the rev. 2nd ed.
- MARC 21 Specifications for Record Structure, Character Sets, and Exchange Media: structural format used since its inception prior to format integration that characterizes MARC 21
- OCLC: Charter member since July 1976; GPO holds enhancement privileges for all formats
- Library of Congress (LC) Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC): participant in all branches, viz., BIBCO, CONSER, NACO, & SACO
- Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) and NASA Thesaurus
- RDA: training and test records; project page on FDLP Desktop



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Challenges in Technical Services

- Title 44 mandate for submission to GPO, but no enforcement mechanism
- Quantity of materials
- Scope determinations
- Version control
- Format decisions
- Characteristics of online publications
 - Tendency to disappear, priority processing, harvesting complexities, etc.



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LTIS Metrics

- Cataloging – approx. 2,000 new titles cataloged each month,
 - June 2012 – 1,885
- 28,000 active serial titles in various formats; over 60,000 serial issues checked in since January 2011
- PURLs created: approx. 1,200 each month; June 2012 - 1,238
- New acquisitions: approx. 2,000 each month; June 2012 – 1,188
- Fiscal Year 2011 searches:
 - Catalog of Government Publications (CGP): 18,781,543
 - GPO's MetaLib: 149,542
 - 23,004 user sessions since release on October 14
 - FDL Directory (FDLD): 59,283 by public users
 - Locate in a Library feature: 14,039



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Fiscal Year 2011-13 Projects

- National Bibliographic Inventory Project
 - Historic Shelflist transcription project: major portion completed in December, 2011; ongoing work adding subject headings and name authority to transcribed documents (over 1 million cards)
 - Historic Shelflist digitization project completed in Spring, 2012
 - Serials management: ongoing, new and historic issues being checked in to the CGP, patterns created
 - Cooperative cataloging partnerships: Univ. of Montana, Univ. of Florida. To date: 300 titles cataloged
 - Various FDLP collection evaluation: practicum student research
 - Missing issues and gaps research



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Fiscal Year 2011-13 Projects

- Cataloging Records Distribution Project (CRDP): Fiscal Year 2010 to current; cataloging records distributed to 75 Federal Depository Libraries based on their selection profile
- Resource Description and Access (RDA)
- Harvesting initiative
- Microfiche (MF) review
- Database clean-up efforts
- Acquisitions module deployment
- Depository Selection Information Management System (DSIMS)



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