FY2023 LSCM YEAR IN REVIEW











WELCOME LETTER FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

Greetings and welcome from the Superintendent of Documents and LSCM's Managing Director,

We are pleased to present the FY 2023 Library Services & Content Management (LSCM) Year in Review. This report represents a snapshot of LSCM's work and describes initiatives and efforts to support LSCM's four statutory programs:

- The Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP)
- The Cataloging & Indexing Program (C&I)
- The International Exchange Service (IES)
- The By-Law Program

Eighty-eight staff members work to support these programs. The majority of our staff (93 percent) work remotely at least part of the time, with continued success in both productivity and quality of work. The LSCM and Superintendent of Documents organizations are comprised of a group of professionals with a wide variety of expertise in librarianship, preservation, project management, archives management, finance, communications, and Government administration, to name a few. In addition, LSCM benefits from the work and support of an additional four contracted staff.





This year in particular, we found great benefit in collaborating as a team with a diverse skillset and varied, unique perspectives, as this milestone year marked the official beginning of our transition to a digital FDLP.

In December 2022, the Task Force on a Digital FDLP presented its final report to U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) Director Hugh Halpern. The report recommended that the FDLP can and should move to a digital program. In February 2023, Director Halpern issued his response to the Task Force, accepting the recommendations. Since that time, LSCM and Superintendent of Documents staff have been planning, and in some cases, have begun implementing our digital-first approach to operations. As this transition continues, our top priorities are collaboration and communication. We are committed to working *with* the FDLP community throughout this process, with frequent and open communication about our progress and next steps.

Another great collaborative success story was that of our Congressionally Mandated Reports initiative. A team of staff members from throughout LSCM and GPO's Programs, Strategy, and Technology unit worked together throughout FY 2023 to fulfill the requirements of the Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act and develop a submission portal for Federal agencies to submit these reports to GPO, as well as develop a new CMR collection on GovInfo. You can read more about that initiative in this report.

As always, our team is available to provide consultation, discussion, and assistance to our FDLP, Federal agency, and public partners. Contact us through askGPO, and we will be in touch shortly.

Thank you for your continued partnership, and we are proud to bring you this report of LSCM's accomplishments for FY 2023.

With Warm Regards,

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- AALL: American Association of Law Libraries
 ACRL: Association of College & Research Libraries
 AGLSP: Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs
- AILA: American Indian Library Association
- ALA: American Library Association
- ARL: Association of Research Libraries
- **BIBCO:** Monographic Bibliographic Record Cooperative Program
- C&I: Cataloging & Indexing Program
- CCP: FDLP Coordinator Certificate Program
- **CFR:** Code of Federal Regulations
- CGP: Catalog of U.S. Government Publications
- **CNI:** Coalition for Networked Information
- **CONSER:** Cooperative Online Serials Program
- **COPAFS:** Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics
- **COSLA:** Chief Officers of State Library Agencies **CRDP:** Cataloging Record Distribution Program
- **CRN:** Civics Renewal Network
- **CRS:** Congressional Research Service
- CSM: Colorado School of Mines
- DIGOR: Documents Interest Group of Oregon
- **DLC:** Depository Library Council
- **DLF:** Digital Library Federation
- **DPLA:** Digital Public Library of America
- ECIP: Electronic Cataloging in Publication Program
- Esri: Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc.
- FADGI: Federal Agencies Digital Guidelines Initiative
- **FDLP:** Federal Depository Library Program
- **FDSS:** Federal Depository Support Services (unit within LSCM)
- FDsys: GPO's Federal Digital System (retired)
- **FEDLINK:** Federal Library and Information Network **GIS:** Geographic Information System
- **GODORT:** Government Documents Round Table, ALA **GovInfo:** govinfo.gov
- GPO: U.S. Government Publishing Office
- HBCUs: Historically Black Colleges & Universities
- IACET: International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training
- **IES:** International Exchange Service
- **INDIGO:** Indiana Networking for Documents and Information of Government Organizations
- IS&T: Society for Imaging Science and Technology (ISC)2: International Information System Security Certification Consortium ISPAB: Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board (of NIST) **ISSN:** International Standard Serial Number LA Tech: Louisiana Tech University LC: Library of Congress LC-PCC PSs: Library of Congress-Program for Cooperative Cataloging Policy Statements LC-PTCP: Library of Congress- Policy, Training, and **Cooperative Programs Division** LCSH: Library of Congress Subject Headings LSCM: Library Services & Content Management LSU: Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge LTS: Library Technical Services (unit within LSCM) MoCat: Monthly Catalog of U.S. Government Publications MOU: Memorandum of Understanding NACA: National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NASA predecessor) NACO: Name Authority Cooperative Program NARA: National Archives and Records Administration NARDAC: North American RDA Committee NASA: National Aeronautics and Space Administration NASIG: North American Serials Interest Group NCSA: National Collection Service Area NDSA: National Digital Stewardship Alliance NISO: National Information Standards Organization **NIST:** National Institute of Standards & Technology **NOTSL:** Northern Ohio Technical Services Librarians PARS: Preservation & Reformatting Section, ALA PCC: Program for Cooperative Cataloging **PST:** Programs, Strategy, & Technology (unit within GPO) **PURL:** Persistent Uniform Resource Locator **RDA:** Resource Description & Access RUSA: Reference and User Services Association, ALA SAA: Society of American Archivists SACO: Subject Authority Cooperative Program **SGMP:** Society of Government Meeting Professionals SLA: Special Libraries Association TRAIL: Technical Report Archive & Image Library UM: University of Mississippi **USGS:** U.S. Geological Survey

In October 2022, GPO announced that the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives passed legislation making a 10-year term appointment for the GPO Director, thus aligning the position with the Librarian of Congress and the Architect of the Capitol. The Chair, Rep. Zoe Lofgren, and Ranking Member, Rep. Rodney Davis, of GPO's oversight committee discussed the legislation and achievements of the GPO team on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives. The video is available on GPO's YouTube channel.

In November 2022, LSCM welcomed Ben Petersen as the new Chief of Projects and Systems. Ben is leading efforts to assess the technological needs of internal and external customers, develop new applications and services, and is serving as the key lead on strategic technology development. In addition, Ben manages the partnership program team that works closely with existing partners, and is leading efforts to identify and cultivate new relationships with Government information stakeholders. He is directing and managing long-range work plans to accomplish the operational goals and strategic objectives for the public information programs of the Superintendent of Documents and the LSCM business unit.

LSCM organizational highlights in FY23 include staffing additions to the Digital Conversion Team in the Projects & Systems unit. Top priorities for staffing continue to be improving customer services for our libraries and fulfilling our mandates for cataloging and indexing. The LSCM business unit now operates using a variety of work schedules, including in-office, telework, remote work, and a flexible work hours program to ensure that all work is completed on time and on budget and all key stakeholders throughout the U.S. and its territories receive excellent customer services, regardless of their time zone.



GPO Partnerships

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

GPO's partner categories are:

- Preservation Steward (for historic, tangible content)
- Digital Preservation Steward
- Digital Content Contributor
- Digital Access Partner
- Cataloging and Metadata Contributor
- Other/Specialized

At the close of FY 2023, there were 74 official GPO partnerships:

- 50 Preservation Stewards
- 1 Digital Preservation Steward
- 6 Digital Content Contributors
- 17 Digital Access Partners

During FY 2023:

In partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Central Library, GPO is working to add more than 47,000 unique items published by NOAA authors and grantees to the National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information. GPO shares NOAA's goal of providing additional avenues to access Government research and making these documents more discoverable to the public. GPO will add the NOAA Institutional Repository (IR) to the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP) and create permanent URLs, ensuring documents in NOAA's IR are available digitally for permanent public access.



- The University of Minnesota Libraries staff and GPO's Library Technical Services (LTS) team partnered to enhance the CGP by adding 924 records for ceased agency publications held by this regional depository library. GPO and UMN signed a Letter of Agreement in July 2021, making this Cataloging and Metadata Contributor Partnership official, but LTS staff began working in May 2019 to create records based on publication scans provided by UMN Libraries. This latest collaboration between GPO and UMN Libraries includes historic publications from three significant ceased agencies and related SuDoc classes:
 - □ The War Department (W)
 - □ The Department of the Navy (N)
 - □ The Office of Education in the Department of the Interior (I 16)

To support this collaborative partnership agreement, UMN Libraries staff scanned their

uncataloged publications and posted links to those scans, with accompanying metadata, to a serverhosted spreadsheet. LTS staff then reviewed those digital surrogates and created CGP records for those publications. LTS staff completed their work to support this partnership on June 6, 2023. Upon completion, LTS staff added 924 records to the CGP for historic, unreported publications held by UMN Libraries. All records created as part of this collaboration between GPO and UMN Libraries can be accessed via the CGP using the expert search query "wlts=MINN*".

 The University of Montana's Mansfield Library became a Preservation Steward for Congressional hearings and prints going forward.



- The University of Memphis' McWherter Library became a Preservation Steward for its historical and current collection of Peace Corps publications.
- The University of Memphis' McWherter Library became a Digital Content Contributor for Peace Corps publications.
- The University of Tennessee, Knoxville Libraries became a Preservation Steward for its historic Emergency Conservation Work Agency collections, its historic Civilian Conservation Corps collections, and its historic Federal Security Agency collections.
- Auburn University's Draughon Library became a Preservation Steward for Air Information Circulars.
- The New York State Library became a Preservation Steward for Congressional Hearings (historic and current), the Bound Congressional Record (historic and current), and the Code of Federal Regulations (historic and current).



- Middle Tennessee State University's Walker Library became a Preservation Steward for publications related to the historical, regulatory, social, and cultural aspects of fermentation, distilling, and brewing.
- The following Preservation Stewards expanded the collections that they pledge to preserve:
 - □ State Library of Ohio: House and Senate Journal (current) and House and Senate reports and documents (historic and current).
 - The University of Colorado's Wise Law Library: Code of Federal Regulations, Title 3, The President (historic and current).
 - The University of Notre Dame's Kresge Law Library: House Journal (historic), Code of Federal Regulations (historic and current), Code of Federal Regulations Index and Finding Aids, and the Federal Register.
 - Indiana University's Maurer School of Law's Jerome Hall Law Library: Code of Federal Regulations (historic and current), Weekly Compilations of Presidential Documents (historic), Statutes at Large (current), U.S. Reports (current), and more.

Learn more about GPO partnerships, and contact our partnership team with inquiries through askGPO; select Federal Depository Library Program, then Type of Customer > Federal Depository Library, and Category > Partnerships.

GPO Collaborations

In FY 2023, LSCM staff contributed to and collaborated with groups in support of the FDLP and C&I.

- As a member of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC), LSCM is preparing to adopt the new iteration of the Resource Description and Access (RDA) cataloging standard. In FY 2023, LSCM served on the PCC's Task Group to Test the Official RDA Toolkit, which assessed usability of the LC-PCC Policy Statements and Metadata Guidance Documentation. The task group's final report was published at the beginning of FY 2024, and results from the test are being used to improve PCC documentation and develop PCC training.
- In July 2023, LSCM began serving with the SACO Volunteer Trainers group. SACO (the Subject



Authority Cooperative Program) provides a means for cataloging institutions, including LSCM, to propose new Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) and submit change proposals for existing LCSH. The volunteer group is developing documentation to assist the cataloging community in these endeavors.

 LSCM is a partner in the Library of Congress Cataloging in Publication (CIP) Program. The CIP Program provides cataloging records for books in advance of publication. The publisher then includes the record on the verso of the publication's title page. Through CIP, LSCM is creating pre-publication bibliographic records for publications from Federal agency publishers. LSCM has partici pated in the CIP Program since 2015 and assumed an additional role as a publisher in 2019. In FY 2023, staff submitted two titles through the publisher portal, cataloged 33 titles, and created 19 authority records. LSCM staff have created CIP records for GPO, the Smithsonian Institution Scholarly Press, Air University Press, Army University Press, Marine Corps University Press, Naval History and Heritage Command, NASA History Division, and the U.S. Geological Survey, to name a few.

Beginning in 2015, LSCM began a partnership with the Colorado School of Mines (CSM). The partnership involves adapting CSM bibliographic records for items received from USGS and housed in their collection. To date, 13,799 records have been added to the CGP as part of this cataloging partnership, with 536 new records added in FY 2023. The records cover five USGS series: Bulletins, Water Supply Papers, Circulars, Water Resources Investigations, and Professional Papers. As an added service to the FDLP community, GPO's LTS also cataloged the online versions for the same five series, when available.

LSCM staff collaborated with these groups and organizations in FY 2023:

- American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)
- Association of Research Libraries (ARL)
- American Library Association (ALA)
 - □ American Indian Library Association (AILA)
 - □ Government Documents Round Table (GODORT)
 - Federal Information Interest Group
 - Rare and Endangered Government Publications Committee
 - Preservation Administrators Interest Group, Preservation and Reformatting Section (PARS)
 - □ Reference and User Services Association (RUSA)
- Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA)
- Civics Renewal Network (CRN)
- Coalition for Networked Information (CNI)
- Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics (COPAFS)
- Digital Public Library of America (DPLA)
- Ex Libris Users of North America
- Federal Agencies Digital Guidelines Initiative (FADGI) Preservation Working Group
- FADGI Audio Visual Working Group
- FADGI Still Image Working Group
- Federal Library and Information Network (FEDLINK) American Indian Libraries Initiative





- FEDLINK Leadership Working Group
- FEDLINK Preservation Working Group
- FEDLINK Research and Metrics Working Group
- Federal Web Archiving Interest Group
- Library of Congress
 - Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access Directorate
 - Cataloging in Publication Program
 - Congressional Research Service
 - □ Law Library of Congress
 - □ Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC)
 - Bibliographic Record Cooperative (BIBCO)
 - Cooperative Online Serials (CONSER)
 - Name Authority Cooperative (NACO)
 - Subject Authority Cooperative (SACO)
- National Digital Stewardship Alliance (NDSA)
- National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST)
 - INIST Federal Cybersecurity and Privacy Professionals Forum
 - NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group
- National Information Standards Organization (NISO)
- OCLC
- PDF Association
- Print Archive Network (PAN)
- Science.gov Alliance
- Society of American Archivists (SAA)
- Society of Government Meeting Professionals (SGMP)
- Society for Imaging Science and Technology (IS&T)
- Technical Reports Archive & Image Library (TRAIL)
- U.S. International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) Center

LSCM Pilot Projects

LSCM embarked on an initiative in FY 2021, seeking Federal depository libraries to conduct Pilot Projects in support of the FDLP. LSCM is carrying out these projects in conjunction with libraries, providing resources and services to assist with targeted initiatives. Pilot projects address the areas of cataloging, condition assessment, inventory, and the conservation of Federal Government documents. These jointly-conducted projects are an opportunity for



collaboration between LSCM and Federal depository libraries; they benefit the FDLP community and ultimately enhance access to the National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information.

During FY 2023, LSCM was actively working on two Pilot Projects. Pilot Project 1 continued with the Merrill Cazier Library at Utah State University involving cataloging, item-level inventory, condition assessment, and digitization of hundreds of documents from the U.S. war years of WWI (1914-1918) and WWII (1941-1945). Pilot Project 2 also continued with the University of North Texas Libraries. Pilot Project 2 goals include digitizing War Department and Department of the Army titles and ingesting those digital surrogates into GovInfo. LSCM staff will also enable discovery of these titles via the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications. Finally, UNT has committed to supporting the permanent preservation of these titles in the tangible format by including them in the UNT Libraries Preservation Steward collections.

For questions about the pilot projects, contact LSCM through askGPO. Select the category, 'Other depository library question or issue.'

Check the LCSM Pilot Projects web page and FDLP News Alerts for ongoing information and updates on the initiative in FY 2024.

FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM

As authorized by Chapter 19 of Title 44, U.S.C., the mission of the FDLP is to provide for free, ready, and permanent public access to Federal Government information, now and for future generations. The vision of the FDLP is to provide U.S. Government information when and where it is needed in order to create an informed citizenry and an improved quality of life.

Through this historic U.S. Government program, GPO disseminates information products from all three branches of the Federal Government to over 1,100 libraries nationwide designated as Federal depository libraries, directly by law or as depositories designated by their Representatives and Senators. Federal depository libraries maintain and provide free public access to Federal Government information products and provide expert assistance in navigating those resources. Providing free online access to Government publications is provided under the authority of Chapter 41 of Title 44, U.S.C., via GovInfo.

Implementation of a Digital FDLP

In FY 2021, GPO Director Hugh Halpern established a Task Force to study the feasibility of a digital FDLP, with representation from the Depository Library Council (DLC), depository libraries of different types and sizes, library associations, Federal agencies, and GPO. In December 2022, the Task Force published its final report, and in February 2023, Director



Halpern adopted the Task Force's recommendations. The Task Force on a Digital Federal Depository Library Program came to a consensus that the FDLP could and should go digital, and throughout FY 2023, steps were taken to bring that to fruition. GPO designed a phased approach for implementation. LSCM has identified strategic imperatives including developing a comprehensive plan for both tangible and digital resources of the National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information, expanding digitization efforts, and building an outreach strategy for Federal agencies, among others.

National Collection Service Areas (NCSAs) were developed to ensure geographically dispersed access to U.S. Government information. NCSAs group Federal depository libraries into four regions as a means of ensuring resource sharing among libraries and dispersed services from GPO. LSCM held meetings in September 2023 with libraries in each NCSA on the implementation of a digital FDLP.

GPO has also reduced the number of titles available for print distribution as trusted digital versions are accessible and is now taking steps to ensure these limited print titles are equitably disseminated to libraries in each NCSA. LSCM has a list of action items and next steps to continue the digital transition, and staff members are working to evaluate and prioritize key activities, as mapped to the Task Force recommendations. The FDLP will continue to undergo changes in operations as LSCM focuses on a digital-first approach to service.

Welcoming a New Federal Depository Library

In FY23, GPO welcomed Utah Tech University Library and Open Learning Services as a new member of the FDLP. Congressman Chris Stewart (R-UT) designated the library to be part of the program. The library now provides citizens in Saint George, Utah, and the surrounding area with no-cost access to Federal Government information and offers electronic Federal publications. Prior to this library joining the program, the nearest depository for Saint George area residents was 53 miles away.

FDLP Distribution Services

At GPO's Distribution Facility in Laurel, Maryland, the GPO staff continue to distribute publications, fulfill claims, and send special mailings of tangible items to Federal depository libraries and international libraries participating in the International Exchange Service.

In FY 2023, the Depository Distribution staff distributed 3,203 titles, totaling 491,928 copies of materials, to FDLP libraries.

With the transition to a digital FDLP and the declining number of tangible items, LSCM is working to reimagine the work of FDLP distribution and ways to enhance the services we offer for the FDLP.

At GPO's Pueblo Distribution Center in Pueblo, Colorado, the staff distributes FDLP promotional items to FDLP libraries nationwide. Through the end of FY 2023, the Pueblo staff managed the inventory and dissemination of 33 different types of FDLP handouts and promotional items.

Superintendent of Documents: Open & Transparent

The Superintendent of Documents seeks comments from the depository library community, interested stakeholders, and the general public on various documents, including draft policies, through FDLP.gov's Open Requests for Comments and Closed Requests for Comments pages. When comments are sought, an entry is added to the Open Requests page for the duration of the comment period. The Closed Requests page serves as a record of the comment process, providing an entry for any document for which a call for comments was made. An entry includes a link to the comments received.

In FY23, there were three requests for comment, which now reside on the Closed Requests for Comments page:

- Draft Revision of Superintendent of Documents Public Policy Statement: Government Publications Authorized for Discard by Regional Depository Libraries (SOD-PPS-2020-1)
- Task Force on a Digital FDLP
- Revised Superintendent of Documents Policy on Withdrawal of Content



FDLP Academy

Since its inception in 2012, the goals of the FDLP Academy have been to support the FDLP community's education and training needs and to advance U.S. Government information literacy.

The FDLP Academy enhances U.S. Government information knowledge through events, conferences, webinars, and webcasts coordinated by GPO that cover a variety of topics. Many sessions are presented by GPO staff; other sessions are



presented by staff from various Federal agencies and from members of the FDLP community, as recruited and hosted by GPO. Since the program began, the FDLP Academy has hosted almost 700 webinars with over 90,000 combined registrants and has produced almost 175 webcasts.

In FY 2023 alone, the FDLP Academy hosted 56 webinars with 9,057 combined registrants and produced 17 recorded webcasts.

Also in FY 2023, LSCM hosted over 1,600 participants at the fall 2022 Federal Depository Library Conference and the spring 2023 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting.

Recordings of webinars and webcasts, as well as FDLP conference proceedings, are available via the FDLP Academy Training Repository.

FDLP Academy resources include:

- An FDLP Events Calendar with information on upcoming events and related registration information.
- An Events & Conferences page with information about GPO's annual FDLP events.
- Information for those who wish to volunteer to present on a topic or request specialized training.

FDLP Events

LSCM hosted two FDLP special events in FY 2023.

2022 Federal Depository Library Conference & FDLP Preconference

The Federal Depository Library Conference is a multi-day event targeted to Federal depository library staff and other U.S. Government information professionals. The conference is the largest annual gathering devoted to U.S. Government information librarianship in the country.



LSCM hosted the first FDLP Preconference on October 12, 2022. This 90-minute session covered a variety of special projects, initiatives, and operations that support the four statutorily-mandated programs administered by LSCM. Updates from all of LSCM's business

units were shared. Typically held as part of the Federal Depository Library Conference, this session was presented as a preconference to provide more time for updates and for questions from the community. Over 300 attendees took part in the Preconference.

From October 17 - 19, the GPO held its fall 2022 Federal Depository Library Conference, chaired by Lisa Pritchard (DLC Chair, Director of Library Services and Coordinator of Government Documents, Jefferson College Library). Sixteen Council members and more than 1,000 participants were in attendance.

The conference began with a welcome greeting from Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren and opening remarks by GPO Director Hugh Halpern, Superintendent of Documents Scott Matheson, and LSCM Managing Director Laurie Hall. During the kickoff session, the annual Federal Depository Library of the Year award was presented to the Indiana State Library.

During the conference, the DLC met to discuss topics impacting the FDLP. Conference educational programs included presentations by Federal depository community members, GPO staff, and other U.S. Government information professionals.

The event included two virtual meeting rooms with over 25 sessions. Some other great features included virtual poster and exhibitor galleries and 'Snacks with Council,' interactive, daily, conversational sessions with open discussion.

GPO also live-tweeted the event; view the photos and tweets by searching #FDLConference on Twitter.

View archived recordings of the event, and download handouts.

2023 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting & FDLP Pre-Meeting

As a lead-up event to the spring 2023 DLC Virtual Meeting, LSCM hosted the FDLP Pre-

Meeting: Updates from GPO, on April 27, which provided updates on key projects across all operational areas in LSCM. Over 450 attendees took part in the Pre-Meeting.

On May 1 and 2, the DLC held its annual Spring Meeting, chaired by Lisa Pritchard (DLC Chair, Director of Library Services and Coordinator of Government Documents, Jefferson College Library). There were over 600 participants in attendance from across the depository library community and other Government information stakeholders.

The two-day event began with opening remarks

by GPO Director Hugh Halpern and Superintendent of Documents Scott Matheson. The meeting included seven sessions on providing Government information services in multiple languages, collection management basics, a look back at 50 years of the DLC, assessing the GovInfo user experience, and more. During his opening remarks, Director Halpern spoke about celebrating FDLP libraries during National Library Week, the implementation of the Congressionally Mandated Reports initiative, updates on GPO's financials, and the growth of the GPO team through hiring 100 new GPO teammates. The Superintendent of Documents



then spoke about the implementation of a digital FDLP and introduced the newest iteration of the FDLP eXchange, to make its debut later that summer.

There was an Open Forum during the Meeting to discuss the active promotion of digital Government information. The discussion focused on how depository librarians act as intermediaries to help patrons find what they need with the continuing increase in digital Government documents.



GPO also live-tweeted the event; view the photos and tweets by searching #DLCVirtual23 on Twitter.

View the archived recordings of the event, and download handouts.

GPO at the American Library Association Annual Conference

Superintendent of Documents Scott Matheson, along with several LSCM team members, traveled to Chicago, Illinois, to attend the ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition. In conjunction with the conference, GPO hosted a special event for the FDLP community. It included a meet and greet with GPO staff members, update sessions from the Superintendent of Documents on the implementation of a digital FDLP, drop-in office hours, and a focus group.

GovInfo

Enhancing Content in GovInfo

LSCM has worked closely with GPO's Office of Programs, Strategy, & Technology (PST) throughout the development and ongoing enhancement of GovInfo. Released as a beta in February 2016, GovInfo was launched to modernize its predecessor website, GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys).

For the first time in a single fiscal year, GPO experienced over one billion retrievals of Government information from GovInfo, averaging approximately ninety-six million retrievals per month. The Final Report of the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th

Attack on the United States Capitol had over 2.4 million retrievals, the highest number of any collection. The most popular collections on GovInfo were Congressional Bills, the Federal Register, and United States Court Opinions.



GPO continuously adds new content to

GovInfo. Throughout fiscal year 2023, an additional 195,976 content packages—generally equivalent to bound, printed documents—were added to GovInfo from the legislative, executive, and judicial branches. In fiscal year 2023, GPO added approximately fifty thousand

born-digital publications to GovInfo that were previously acquired through GPO's Catalog and Indexing Program. GPO also added thousands of newly digitized publications such as Congressional directories, Congressional hearings, and Congressional Serial Set volumes from various Congresses.

Notable additions in FY23 include:

- Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol Final Report and Supporting Materials
- H. Doc. 115-62 Precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives (2017 Series), Volume 3, Chapters 7–9
- Budget of the United States Government, FY 2024
- Economic Report of the President, 2023
- United States Senate Manual, 117th Congress
- Congressional Directory, 117th Congress
- United States Government Manual, December 2022
- United States Code, 2021 Edition
- Federal Register Index, 2022
- CFR Index and Finding Aids, 2022
- Monthly Interim Privacy Act Issuances, 2022 and 2023
- Senate Journal, 117th Congress
- Constitution Annotated, 2022 Edition
- Senate Class List, 118th Congress
- Senate Committee and Subcommittee Assignments, 118th Congress
- Report of the Secretary of the Senate, Semiannual



- GPO Annual Report, 2022
- LSCM Year in Review, FY22
- House Rules and Manual, 118th Congress
- United States Statutes at Large, Volumes 129, 130, and 131
- Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Environment Studies Series Publications
- Railroad Retirement Board Publications
- Born-digital content acquired through GPO's Cataloging and Indexing Program
- Digitized Congressional Serial Set Volumes in Collaboration with the Law Library of Congress
- Digitized Congressional Hearings
- Digitized Congressional Directories
- Digitized Depository Library Shipping Lists
- Digitized Superintendent of Documents Publications
- Partnership Publications including thirtythree issues of Amerika: Illustrated Journal from the College of William and Mary along with Publications from the University of Washington, the University of Memphis, and Boise State University

In September 2023, LSCM released GPO's System of Online Access / Collection Development Plan for fiscal year 2023 (version 8).

The Collection Development Plan underwent a comprehensive revision to reflect:

- Goals of the National Collection of U.S. Government Information, Strategic Plan for FY 2023 – FY 2027.
- Effect of the Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act on collection building activities.
- September 2023 NARA Affiliate Archive agreement.
- Content added to GovInfo in FY23.
- Digitization projects initiated in FY23, for which content ingest is planned in FY24 and beyond.

GPO is actively digitizing, with an immediate focus on adding historical, retrospective content to existing GovInfo collections. GPO may accept materials from depository libraries for digitization. GPO's current needs are posted to the GPO Digitization: FDLP Resource Guide. 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 via askGPO using the Partnerships category.

Congressionally Mandated Reports Initiative

On December 23, 2022, Public Law 117-263, the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023, was signed into law. Sections 7241-7248 contained the "Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act." With a deadline of one year after enactment, the Act charged GPO with establishing a centralized repository for Federal agencies to submit to GPO the congressionally mandated reports that are required to be submitted to Congress or committees and making the reports accessible to the public in one place through GovInfo. A team of LSCM and PST staff members assembled to begin work on this initiative.

In June 2023, GPO and the Office of Management and Budget issued guidance and compliance instructions to Federal agencies. As of the end of FY 2023, GPO was on track to open the CMR submission portal for agency registrations and report submission in fall 2023. The Congressionally Mandated Reports collection was scheduled to become publicly available on GovInfo in FY 2024.

A variety of resources and guidance for Federal agencies and the public are available on GPO's Congressionally Mandated Reports page.

Trusted Digital Repository Audit and Certification

GPO worked for several years to become the first Federal agency to be named as a Trustworthy Digital Repository (TDR) for Government information through certification of GovInfo under ISO 16363:2012.

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 LSCM and 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.



In November 2022, GPO successfully completed its yearly surveillance audit, which is required to maintain ISO 16363 Trustworthy Digital Repository certification for GovInfo. GPO continues to be the only organization in the world to maintain the highest international standard of excellence for digital preservation repositories.

Also in 2022, GPO announced that the organization would be pursuing completion of CoreTrustSeal repository assessment in addition to maintaining its ISO 16363 certification. CoreTrustSeal offers, to any interested data repository, a core level certification based on the DSA–WDS Core Trustworthy Data Repositories Requirements catalogue and procedures. By participating in the CoreTrustSeal process, GPO may be better positioned to engage with other Federal institutions that have data and information repositories that may have difficulty navigating the ISO 16363:2012 standard and turning its requirements into actionable procedures. GPO's application for certification under CoreTrustSeal was submitted in 2022. At the close of FY 2023, GPO was awaiting notice of certification under CoreTrustSeal.

askGPO

askGPO is the primary way to communicate with LSCM and is also used for submitting forms, viewing and editing the Federal Depository Library Directory, and finding the answers to frequently asked questions.

LSCM continued to enhance the askGPO site for improved customer service to Federal depository libraries and all GPO customers throughout FY 2023.

In December 2022, LSCM reviewed and updated the Frequently Asked Questions knowledge base within askGPO. These helpful articles cover a variety of topics about GPO and the FDLP.

In the winter of 2023, GPO made enhancements to askGPO, including giving Federal depository libraries the ability to submit Print Selector Agreements or Shared Housing Agreements to be filed with GPO, making those agreements visible on the libraries' My FDL page in askGPO.

In February 2023, LSCM hosted the webinar, "New Features in askGPO," with over 125 attendees, and in May 2023, GPO refreshed and updated askGPO educational webcasts on tasks such as creating an inquiry, login requests, and agency content submission.

Regular releases occur approximately every six weeks, and release notes are available on the askGPO project page. The new releases have incorporated suggestions and feedback from customers and GPO staff and have continued to improve the site's usability and functioning. The FDLP Academy Training Repository has a variety of training materials to assist with the askGPO platform.



FDLP Resource Guides (formerly FDLP LibGuides)

In summer 2023, LSCM launched a rebranding project for FDLP LibGuides. The guides are now known as FDLP Resource Guides. This decision reflects improvements in content navigation, organization, and an overall user experience, including a new main banner for the guides.

FDLP Resource Guides are a service provided by GPO for depository libraries and the public. These guides provide information about the Federal Government and the FDLP. There are two types of guides: Subject and FDLP Information. "Subject Guides" explore a variety of topics that concern the Federal Government for the general public. "FDLP Information Guides" contain resources and guidance for Federal Depository Libraries about operations

and services. All guides are open educational resources for anyone to share, copy, and reuse.

FDLP Resource Guides

Federal Depository

Biennial Survey of Federal Depository Libraries & State of the FDLP Report

The Biennial Survey of Depository Libraries is how depository libraries report their conditions to GPO; it is administered every two years, and response is required by law.

The Superintendent of Documents, under the direction of the GPO Director, is responsible for administering the survey as required by 44 U.S.C. §1909. Data from the survey is used to administer the FDLP, identify new trends, and evaluate the conditions and services of Federal depository libraries.

The 2023 Biennial Survey opened for completion in September 2023. All depository coordinators, or the library director if the coordinator position was vacant, received an email with a link to complete the survey. The survey was scheduled to close in December 2023.

View past results of previous Biennial Surveys, and learn more about the Survey.

The State of the FDLP Report combines Biennial Survey data with other observations and fulfills the requirements of 44 U.S. Code §1909 for the Superintendent of Documents to report on conditions at depository libraries.

In December 2022, the State of the FDLP, 2020 – 2021, was published on FDLP.gov. The report covers the period of January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021.

Depository Library Council

Members

The FDLP community said farewell to six members of the DLC when their terms ended in May 2023. GPO thanks them for their service to GPO and the FDLP.

- Lisa Pritchard, DLC Chair, Jefferson College Library
- Renée Bosman, DLC Secretary, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Davis Library



- Jennifer Bryan Morgan, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Jerome Hall Law Library
- Julia (Frankosky) Ezzo, Michigan State University Libraries
- Vicki Tate, University of South Alabama, Marx Library
- Rick Mikulski, William and Mary Libraries

On June 1, 2023, Jen Kirk of Utah State University's Merrill-Cazier Library assumed the role of Council Chair, and Hayley Johnson of Louisiana State University Libraries assumed the role of DLC Secretary.

In addition to the Chair and Secretary, the following DLC members continued their terms:

- Valerie Glenn, University of Georgia, Map and Government Information Library
- Richard Leiter, University of Nebraska College of Law, Schmid Law Library
- Allen Moye, DePaul University College of Law
- Aimée C. Quinn, Northern Arizona University, Yuma
- Susanne Caro, North Dakota State University Libraries
- Amy Laub, University of Kentucky (Lexington), W.T. Young Library
- Robert Mead, Washington State Law Library
- Kelly Smith, University of California San Diego (La Jolla) Library

Five new members were welcomed to DLC in June 2023:

- Gwen Sinclair, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Library
- Angela J.A. Kent, Houston Public Library
- **Joshua Finnell**, Colgate University, Case Library and Geyer Center for Information Technology
- Angela Bonnell, Illinois State University, Milner Library
- Sarah Erekson, University of Florida, George A. Smathers Libraries

The Work of the DLC

At the conclusion of each annual spring DLC Virtual Meeting and fall Federal Depository Library Conference, the DLC begins to develop formal recommendations for GPO.

 Spring 2022 DLC Virtual Meeting: On August 19, 2022, two recommendations and one commendation were presented to GPO. On October 3, 2022, GPO Director Hugh Halpern transmitted a letter to the DLC with GPO's responses.



 Fall 2022 Federal Depository Library Conference: On December 5, 2022, one recommendation was presented to GPO. On March 14, 2023, Director Halpern transmitted a letter to the DLC with GPO's response. Spring 2023 DLC Virtual Meeting: On May 17, 2023, two recommendations and two commendations were presented to GPO. On September 20, 2023, Director Halpern transmitted a letter to the DLC with GPO's responses.

In April 2023, the DLC sent a letter to Director Halpern expressing concern about how to navigate the increasing number of proposed and enacted state laws or local ordinances regarding library access to materials that may conflict with the legal requirements and regulations for Federal depository libraries. In June 2023, Director Halpern transmitted GPO's response to the DLC.

The Council released *Depository Library Council Annual Report, June 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023*, which explains the role of the Council and conveys the accomplishments of the Council Year during June 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023.



Much of the work of the DLC is accomplished in their working groups and subcommittees. Below are the FY 2023 reports and transmittals from the working groups. The Exploring the Durability of PURLs and Their Alternatives Working Group released its final report, *Final Report of the PURL Working Group, Transmittal Letter, and Recommendations to the DLC*. With its final report accepted by the DLC and its charge completed, the Working Group was disbanded.

The following groups continue their work:

- Unique Challenges, Underserved Populations, and Federal Depository Libraries Subcommittee
 - Report and Recommendations of the Unique Challenges, Underserved Populations, and Federal Depository Libraries Working Group (March 31, 2023)
 - □ GPO Responses to the Council's UCUP Working Group Recommendations (May 23, 2023)
- Collection and Discovery Services Subcommittee
 - Collection and Discovery Services Subcommittee Charter (effective February 3, 2023)
- Long-term Implications for Federal Depository Libraries of the COVID-19 Pandemic
 - First Report of the Depository Library Council's Working Group on the Long-Term Impacts of COVID-19 on Federal Depository Library Access, Collections, and Services (October 13, 2023) and Data and Data Analysis Instructions for RStudio

Find the minutes of DLC meetings, their recommendations, and their reports on FDLP.gov.

Promoting the FDLP

LSCM continues to promote the FDLP, the C&I Program, and related resources through promotional campaigns and social media. In addition, LSCM provides tools for FDLP libraries to promote their collections, services, and resources. Notable FDLP promotional activities for FY23 include:

Free Materials

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

From the FDLP Promotional Materials page, click 'Log In To the Ordering Site,' use your FDLP. gov login credentials, and browse a variety of free products you can use to promote your library and the FDLP. If you need assistance logging in, please use askGPO. Under Federal Depository Library Program, select the category, 'Marketing, social media, or promotional materials.'

In FY 2023, LSCM procured these nine new or restocked promotional materials:

- GovInfo Pencils
- FDLP Rulers, featuring U.S. Presidents timeline
- Depository Library Door/Window Decals
- FDLP.gov Badge Holder with Keyring
- Ben's Guide to the U.S. Government notecard (5 x 7 inches)
- GovInfo notecard (5 x 7 inches)
- GovInfo brochure (8.5 x 11 inches, tri-folded)
- CGP brochure (8.5 x 11 inches)
- CGP bookmark (2 x 6 inches)

Downloadable handouts are also available.

Limited Offers

Limited Offers are shared with and distributed freely to depository libraries whenever LSCM is able to acquire limited quantities of interesting publications. In FY 2023, there were two limited offers:

- Presidential Vetoes, 1989 2000
- 200 Notable Days: Senate Stories, 1787 2002

The titles acquired through limited offers are not subject to the same retention requirements as tangible materials distributed to depository libraries through item selection. However, libraries may choose to house these publications with other depository materials.

Library Shelfie Day

Wednesday, January 25, 2023, was Library Shelfie Day, and GPO featured FDLP librarians and staff via GPO social media and FDLP.gov. LSCM received photos from 22 Federal depository libraries celebrating the day.

National Library Week

National Library Week was April 23 – 29, 2023. LSCM created downloadable images for Federal depository libraries to use on their websites and on social media to commemorate the observances. LSCM also featured the FDLP via GPO social media and FDLP.gov.



Constitution Day

Federal depository libraries across the Nation celebrated Constitution Day on September 17, 2023, with events, contests, giveaways, displays, and more. Over 33,000 free Pocket Constitutions from GPO were shared with library patrons across the country.

FDLP.gov's Celebrating Constitution Day gallery showcases photos and details of 2023 celebrations at Federal depository libraries, as well as celebrations from past years.

FDLP.gov Promotional Galleries

FDLP.gov features photo galleries that illustrate how Federal depository libraries celebrate holidays and events. The following galleries were enhanced in FY 2023:

- Anniversary Celebrations
- Celebrating December Holidays
- Celebrating Halloween
- Celebrating Valentine's Day

Special Selection Offers

Historically, Federal depository libraries were required to select two item numbers for publications of critical importance that were distributed to all depositories. The two mandatory item numbers were discontinued in 2014 in order to support libraries that wished

to transition to digital collections and no longer receive tangible materials.

LSCM initiated the Special Selection Offer process in 2019 as a means of allowing libraries that did not select the item number for a significant specific publication to have a one-time opportunity to request and receive an individual title in tangible format. The special selection becomes part of the library's depository collection and is subject to regular FDLP retention rules.

Special Selection Offers available in FY23 were:

- Final Report of the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (January 2023)
- Compilation of Hearings on the January 6th investigation (February 2023)
- Handbook of North American Indians, Volume 1 (February 2023)
- The Rise of the Condor: A History of the RC-26B "Condor" in the Air National Guard (March 2023)
- Lessons Learned from the Coronavirus Crisis: Final Report (April 2023)
- Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Poster (June 2023)
- NASA 2023 Annular Solar Eclipse Kit (September 2023)

FDLP eXchange

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



GPO provides access to a variety of training and informational resources on the tool.

FY 2023 saw the launch of FDLP eXchange version 1.1. With the launch, some changes in functionality were made:

- Spreadsheet uploads were limited to CSV format to help standardize and handle data more effectively.
- Spreadsheet uploads were limited to 250 items. This change was made to mitigate data issues.
- The disclaimer check box for Shipping List dates is no longer utilized in the review panel on spreadsheet uploads, to simplify the process for libraries and GPO.

Throughout the remainder of FY 2023, LSCM staff prepared for the fall 2023 release of FDLP eXchange version 1.2 with more added functionality.

In FY 2023, 607,106 offers and 2,110 needs were posted in FDLP eXchange. At the close of FY23, there were 79 libraries offering in 25 regions.

Web Archiving

The FDLP Web Archive provides point-in-time captures of U.S. Federal agency websites while preserving, to the extent possible, the functionality of the sites. The aim is to provide permanent public access to Federal agency web content. GPO harvests and archives the websites with Archive-It, a subscription-based web harvesting and archiving service offered by the Internet Archive.

LSCM continues to harvest digital publications and websites to advance FDLP collection development efforts.

Through the close of FY23:

- LSCM increased the size of the FDLP Web Archive collection to 52.1 TB, with over 555 million URLs.
- There were 218 website collections available on the FDLP Web Archive on Archive-It and 269 records available through the CGP.

FDLP Web Services

FDLP.gov

FDLP.gov is the FDLP community's one-stop site for the tools, information, and resources needed to manage a Federal depository library. Collection tools, requirements, guidance,

educational opportunities, and more are available. FY 2023 saw enhancements to the WEBTech Notes user interface and improvements to the site search functionality.

- 1. Historic Publications Feature
 - LSCM continues to feature Historic Publications on FDLP.gov each quarter. Fall 2023 marked the 19th installment of the feature and highlighted many contributions from GPO partners. New installments are announced via FDLP News & Events.

2. Homepage Features

- LSCM continues to refresh the FDLP.gov homepage with content "snacks." Snacks are added on a regular basis. They feature FDLP updates, new LSCM initiatives, news offerings from other agencies, and Government publications that complement recent holidays and observances. These snacks are great to repurpose and feature on library social media pages. In FY23, the homepage featured 98 different snacks.
- A new homepage feature in FY 2023 was the addition of "featured titles." Digital resources on a variety of Government information topics are showcased on a rotating basis. The CGP Record Link as well as the PURL for the resource are both provided.

Ben's Guide to the U.S. Government

Ben's Guide to the U.S. Government is a free, educational website from GPO that is designed to inform students, parents, and educators about the U.S. Government. Ben's Guide content is divided into three learning levels:

- Apprentice (ages 4 8)
- Journeyperson (ages 9 13)
- Master (ages 14+)

Ben's Guide users go on "learning adventures" on topics such as the branches of Government, how laws are made, the election process, historical documents, and more. Interactive games, as well as printable activities such as crosswords and word searches, make learning fun.



Under the requirements of sections 1710 and 1711 of Title 44, U.S.C., GPO is charged with cataloging a comprehensive index of public documents issued or published by the U.S. Government that are not confidential in character. The goals of the C&I Program are to:

- Develop a comprehensive and authoritative national bibliography of U.S. Government publications.
- Increase the visibility and use of Government information products.
- Create a premier destination for information searchers.

This undertaking serves libraries and the public nationwide and enables people to locate desired Government publications in all formats. The CGP is the main public interface for the access of cataloging records.

CGP and MetaLib Enhancements

In 2023, the CGP and GPO's MetaLib service underwent several cycles of security updates to the applications and the supporting infrastructure. Our systems undergo regular monitoring and updates for security and performance improvements.

In 2023, we added two new resources for our FDLP Web Archive, and 11 existing Resources were significantly updated in GPO's MetaLib, a service of the CGP:

- New:
 - □ FDLP Web Archive Collections and Sites
 - □ FDLP Web Archive Full Text
- Updated:
 - □ Congress.gov
 - Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC)
 - □ Environmental Health Perspectives
 - Food Data Central
 - D National Archives Catalog
 - National Emergency Training Center (NETC) Library Catalog
 - National Transportation Library's Repository and Open Science Access Portal (ROSA P)
 - □ NIH National Cancer Institute
 - D NOAA Historical Maps and Charts
 - Treesearch Forest Service Research & Development
 - USDA National Agricultural Library SEARCH



GPO's MetaLib Resources are regularly updated as resources change or are upgraded.

In September 2023, GPO updated its CGP About page including:

- Updating:
 - □ Scope
 - □ CGP on GitHub
- Adding sections for:
 - CGP Data Dashboard
 - Notable Numbers

Additional updates to the CGP's Help pages are anticipated in 2024.

CGP Data Dashboard Refresh

In March 2022, LSCM launched the CGP Data Dashboard to visualize various aspects of CGP bibliographic records and to tell stories about Federal Government information, the FDLP, and LSCM's work.

Welcome

Agencies

In FY 2023, LSCM refreshed the dashboard with data from the approximately 8,800 records cataloged by LSCM's Library Technical Services staff members from January through June 2022, with data displayed by:

- Chronological coverage
- Geographic coverage
- Issuing agencies
- Unreported publications (records cataloged in fiscal year 2023)

157 1.70% 0.30% 25 Publication Dates cs 2 0.02% 420 4.60% 2.80% 258 0.80% 76 N De 791

CGP Data Dashboard

CGP - Number of Records by State

CGP

484 5.30% 144 1.60% 164 1.80%

LSCM will periodically add new data points and update the current ones.

LSCM GitHub Repositories

The CGP on GitHub is LSCM's central repository of sets of bibliographic records that users may download at no charge.

LSCM develops and maintains six repositories:

- All CGP Records (MARC UTF-8)
- All CGP Records (MARC XML)
- CGP Records Maintenance Files
- CGP on GitHub
- U.S. Congressional Serial Set Project (MARC UTF-8)
- U.S. Congressional Serial Set Project (MARC XML)

In December 2022, LTS undertook a thorough review of the repositories and the collections and completed a series of actions for a refresh:

- Linked each repository to the others to facilitate navigation of our GitHub resources.
- Updated the descriptions of the repositories and collections.
- Re-processed the records for each collection of the CGP on GitHub repository except for the CGP Records with Updated PURLs and National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) collections.
- Added record display pages to most CGP on GitHub collections to provide direct access to the publications with online versions.

In January 2023, LSCM created a GitHub collection of the CGP records for the materials of the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol.

In June 2023, LSCM posted a new set of 1,051,805 CGP MARC bibliographic records on GitHub. Brief bibliographic records, also known as brief bibs, are included in the files. The records are available in UTF-8 in the cataloging-records-all-cgp-utf8 repository and in MARC XML in the cataloging-records-all-cgp-marcxml repository. In combination with the monthly files in the CGP Records Monthly Files collection of the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP) Records Maintenance Files repository, these files essentially represent the entire CGP. GPO will annually post new snapshots of the CGP on GitHub. The size of the zipped UTF-8 files is 1.3 GB, and the size of the zipped MARC XML files is 349 MB. The UTF-8 repository has 26 files of approximately 40,000 records. The MARC XML repository has 27 files of approximately 40,000 records.

LSCM also launched a new GitHub repository in June 2023: the CGP Records Maintenance Files repository. After the refresh of the repositories, LTS refocused the CGP on GitHub repository on record sets based on various chronological, topical, and other metadata, including a new collection of resources on artificial intelligence and related subjects. The repository contains two collections: CGP Records Monthly Files and Online Version Records without Item Numbers. The CGP Records Monthly Files collection contains the monthly files of new and changed records posted during the year between each annual set of all CGP records. The records are available in three types of files:

- New and changed records in combined files
- New records only
- Changed records only

In July 2023, a new group of United States Congressional Serial Set Project MARC records were made available in the CGP, and files of the records were made available on GitHub. The record set includes 16,498 records (16,402 monographs and 96 serials) in various Congressional publication series,



including House and Senate documents and reports. All records have Superintendent of Documents classification numbers for the Congressional publication and the Serial Set series and OCLC numbers. The records do not contain item numbers.

The records are available for downloading from GitHub in MARC UTF-8 and in MARCXML UTF-8. The repositories have a cumulative file of all Serial Set records in the CGP and the new file of CGP records.

The records are discoverable in the CGP via the Congressional Serial Set Catalog and the standard search modes. In the expert search mode, you can use a local field search to retrieve all of the Serial Set records and combine that search with other elements: wlts=SERIALSET?

Learn more by visiting FDLP.gov's <u>Sources of GPO Cataloging Records</u> page. For more data about the repositories, please visit the LSCM Library Technical Services Information Portal, LTS Data tab.

For feedback or questions, please submit an inquiry in the "Cataloging/Metadata (Policy and Records)" category via askGPO.

Cataloging Record Distribution Program

The Cataloging Record Distribution Program (CRDP) provides GPO-produced catalog records through a contract with MARCIVE, INC. Participating libraries received monthly sets of catalog records, new and changed, based on their FDLP item selection profiles and selected available customization options. Libraries also selected records from a growing number of cataloging project records without FDLP item numbers.

At the close of FY 2023, 250 depositories were participants, including 12 regional depositories and libraries in each FDLP library type. Earlier in the year, 267 libraries were in the program. As happens every year, some libraries discontinued participation



in favor of other cataloging workflows. Also, because of a change in the CRDP participation requirements that increased the number of catalog records a library must receive monthly, on average, 11 libraries were removed from the CRDP during the summer.

The CRDP Buddy program continued this past year with 27 volunteers. These depository staff members are experienced CRDP practitioners who were available to consult about workflows and best practices, particularly for those with the same library system. Also in this last year, the first CRDP promotional brochure was created. It includes three testimonials from CRDP participants.

Congressional Research Service Reports



In September 2018, LC launched a website for Congressional Research Service (CRS) reports. The site met the requirements of Public Law 115-141 to make these reports available to the public. In October 2018, in an agreement with the Library, LSCM's LTS staff began cataloging CRS reports for the CGP and OCLC. Because these reports are frequently updated, GPO has cataloged each report title as an integrating resource.

As of September 2023, LSCM staff had cataloged over 9,467 separate, unique CRS report titles. This is approximately 82% of all reports available on the site.

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 completed the digitization of the reports in 2023, and GPO's LTS continues cataloging the reports that will be made available online.

The Law Library of Congress wrote these reports on foreign, comparative, and international law issues for Congress and other Federal agencies. The Law Library of Congress posted a description of the project and the reports on their blog, In Custodia Legis.

At the close of FY 2023, LSCM staff members had cataloged 3,737 reports and planned to complete the project by or before December 31, 2023. Cataloging records are available on GPO's GitHub page.

New Version of Resource Description and Access (RDA)

In FY 2023, LSCM continued its preparations to adopt a new iteration of the cataloging standard, Resource Description and Access (RDA). RDA is used in metadata services for the FDLP and Cataloging and Indexing Program (C&I). Staff in LSCM's LTS unit use RDA and the RDA Toolkit daily to catalog U.S. Government information products and to create and maintain name authority records. The new RDA, known as "Official RDA," has not yet been adopted by the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC), of which GPO is a member. In FY 2023, LTS served on the PCC's Task Group to Test the Official RDA Toolkit, which assessed the usability of the new LC-PCC Policy Statements and Metadata Guidance Documentation. The task group's final report was published at the beginning of FY 2024, and results from the test are being used to improve PCC documentation and develop PCC training. PCC has a three-year rolling implementation plan from May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2027. When a specific

implementation date is finalized by LTS, it will be announced by LSCM.

The Use of Congress.gov Policy Areas Terms in GPO Records

In October 2022, LTS began a test to assign Congress.gov Policy Areas terms in CGP records to provide access to the public policy content of Congressional publications. The Congressional Research Service uses the terms to categorize bills



and resolutions on Congress.gov. The terms were entered in MARC 650 subject fields with the Subject Heading and Term Source Code "cgpa" in subfield 2.

All terms were used at least once except the following two terms: Social Sciences and History, and Sports and Recreation. At least one term was added in 1,672 records. Two terms were added in 37 records. A total of 1,709 terms were used. The top five terms are:

- Government Operations and Politics (326)
- Public Lands and Natural Resources (152)
- Health (135)
- Crime and Law Enforcement (110)
- Economics and Public Finance (100)



CGP records with the Congress.gov Policy Areas terms may be retrieved by this expert mode search: WLTS=PUBPOLTERMS

For the full metrics, please visit the LTS Data tab of the LSCM Library Technical Services Information Portal.



At the end of FY 2023, LTS had used at least one Congress.gov Policy Areas term in 3,816 records for congressional publications.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

As authorized by Section 1719 of Title 44, U.S.C., and pursuant to an international treaty establishing the exchange of official publications, GPO distributes tangible Government publications to foreign governments in an exchange program managed by LC. Those foreign governments agree to send to the United States similar publications of their governments for LC collections. The following statistics reflect IES activity for FY 2023.

Distributed IES Publications:

- Paper Titles Distributed: 942
- Paper Copies Distributed: 8,238
- Microfiche Titles Distributed: 2,142
- Microfiche Copies Distributed: 9,358

BY-LAW PROGRAM

LSCM administers the distribution of certain tangible publications as specified by Public Law. Under various provisions of Title 44, U.S.C., GPO is required to provide copies of publications to certain Federal agencies and others as directed by Congress. Two or more copies of every publication printed are provided to LC, even if those publications are not distributed to Federal depository libraries. In addition, NARA receives up to three copies of every publication GPO prints. On behalf of the Department of State, LSCM distributes copies of publications to foreign legations. LSCM maintains mailing lists for By-Law distribution of specific publications.

Meeting of the Task Force on a Digital FDLP



NOTABLE NUMBERS

Highlights at a Glance:

- At the close of FY 2023, there were **74** official GPO partnerships.
- The FDLP Academy:
 - □ Hosted **56** webinars, with **9,057** combined registrants.
 - □ Hosted **1,600** virtual participants in our fall 2022 Federal Depository Library Conference and spring 2023 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting.
- There were almost **31 million** successful searches of the CGP.
- GPO increased the size of the FDLP Web Archive collection to **52.1** TB, with over **555** million URLs crawled.
- **250** Federal depository libraries participated in the Cataloging Record Distribution Program.

In FY 23, LSCM staff:

- Distributed **3,203** titles.
- Distributed 491,928 copies of materials to FDLP libraries.
- Added 13,499 new cataloging records to the CGP, of which 9,455 (70%) contained PURLs to full-text publications.
- Checked in 24,409 serial issues to the CGP and created 86 publication patterns for serial titles.
- Identified 2,197 previously-uncataloged Serial & Integrated Resource (IR) titles and created new bibliographic records.
- Resolved **7,148** askGPO inquiries.

Program for Cooperative Cataloging Statistics:

- Authority records: **1,228** authority records created & updated
 - □ NACO: **1,190** name authority records created & updated
 - □ SACO: **38** subject authority records created & updated
- BIBCO: 10,887 records created
- CONSER: 3,541 records created and updated
 - □ Newly authenticated CONSER records: 2,270
 - □ Updated records: **1,271**

FDLP Engagement Activities

Date	Events Hosted or Attended by LSCM	Location
October 2	022	
	Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC) Resource Description &	
	Access (RDA) Test: Training for Testers	Virtual
	Federal Web Archiving Interest Group	Virtual
	Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs (AGLSP) Conference	San Antonio, TX
	International Information System Security Certification Consortium	
	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
	National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board (ISPAB) Meeting	Virtual
	Name Authority Cooperative Program (NACO) Online Training Workshop	Virtual
	Pratt Institute iSchool Government Information class visit	Virtual
	Transportation Librarian Roundtable	Virtual
	OCLC's Virtual AskQC Office Hours: 411 on FAST	Virtual
	Documents Interest Group of Oregon (DIGOR) Fall Meeting	Salem, OR
	Library Visit: State Library of Oregon	Salem, OR
	Minnesota Library Association Conference	Duluth, MN
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
Novembe	r 2022	
	PCC RDA Test: Orientation for Evaluators	Virtual
	North American RDA Committee (NARDAC) Fall 2022 Update Forum	Virtual
	Tennessee Government Documents Round Table (GODORT) Fall Meeting	Virtual
	Indiana Networking for Documents and Information of Government Organizations (INDIGO) Meeting	Virtual
	IFLA: Perspectives from Software Developers and Subject Specialists	Virtual
	Digital Transitions Heritage 2022 Roundtable	Washington, D.C.
	Project Summit * Business Analyst World Conference	Arlington, VA
	Library Visit: University of Oregon	Eugene, OR
	Library Visit: Oregon State University	Corvallis, OR
	Library Visit: Linfield University	McMinnville, OR
	Library Visit: Portland State University	Portland, OR
	Library Visit: Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries	Vancouver, WA
	Library Visit: State of Tennessee, Tennessee State Library and Archives	Nashville, TN
	Library Visit: Vanderbilt University, Central Library	Nashville, TN
	Library Visit: East Tennessee State University, Sherrod Library	Johnson City, TN
	Library Visit: Tennessee Technological University, Angelo & Jennette	
	Volpe Library & Media Center	Cookeville, TN
	Library Visit: City of Memphis, Memphis Public Libraries	Memphis, TN
	Library Visit: University of Memphis, McWherter Library	Memphis, TN
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual

FDLP Engagement Activities, Continued

Continuing Resources Cataloging Committee

Date	Events Hosted or Attended by LSCM	Location
Decembe	r 2022	
	University of Alaska Fairbanks, 100th Anniversary visit	Fairbanks, AK
	Coalition for Networked Information (CNI) 2022 Membership Meeting	Washington, D.C.
	2022 Federal Library and Information Network (FEDLINK) Fall Exposition	Virtual
	Northern Ohio Technical Services Librarians (NOTSL) Migration Station:	
	Tips & Tricks to Manage Your Data	Virtual
	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
January 2	2023	
	LibLearnX: The Library Learning Experience 2023	Virtual
	GODORT Federal Information Interest Group Meeting	Virtual
	Linked Data Interest Group Meeting	Virtual
	Library of Congress January 2023 BIBFRAME Update Forum	irtual
	Library Visit: Saint Paul Public Library	Saint Paul, MN
	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
February	2023	
	National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Plus 2023	Virtual
	NISO Collaborative Collections Conference	Virtual
	NACO Training Workshop	Virtual
	Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri) Federal Geographic I	
	nformation System (GIS) Conference	Washington, D.C.
	George Washington University Law School Legal Research Fair Lawlapalooza)	Washington, D.C.
	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
	LC's Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division (PTCP) Discovery Session on behalf of BIG (BIBFRAME Interoperability Group), LD4, OCLC, and Share-VDE	Virtual
	PCC Participants' Meeting	Virtual
	The 4th National Joint Conference of Librarians of Color St. Pete Beach, FL	
	OCLC Cataloging Community Meeting	Virtual
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
March 20	23	
	Computers in Libraries 2023	Washington, D.C.
	Code4Lib Conference	Princeton, NJ
	Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) 2023	Pittsburgh, PA
	Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics (COPAFS)	
	Quarterly Meeting	Virtual
	Office of Science Technology Policy, Subcommittee on Open Science, Publications	
	Working Group's Subgroup on Grey Literature Meeting	Virtual
	Annual Meeting of Georgia Depository Librarians	Virtual
	Core MARC Formats Transition Interest Group	Virtual
	Core Technical Services Workflow Efficiency Interest Group	Virtual
	Democracy's Library Workshop and Discussion at Internet Archive	San Francisco, CA

Virtual

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	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
	In Defense of Libraries - Chronicle of Higher Education Conference	Virtual
	Federal Web Archiving Interest Group	Virtual
	OCLC's Virtual AskQC Office Hours: Languages, Non-Latin Scripts and	
	Mysterious MARC 880 fields	Virtual
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
April 2023		
	Lamar University, 65th Anniversary	Virtual
	CNI Spring 2023 Membership Meeting	Denver, CO
	Toward Radical Imagination: Historically Black Colleges & Universities	
	(HBCUs), Digital Libraries, and Authentic Collaboration	Virtual
	LSCM Pilot Project 2 Visit, onsite digital-imaging collection	
	Assessment, University of North Texas	Denton, TX
	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
	Digital Library Federation (DLF) Forum	Virtual
	University of North Texas, 75th Anniversary	Virtual
	Preservation Week 2023	Virtual
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
May 2023		
	Maryland Library Association / Delaware Library Association	
	Annual Conference 2023	Cambridge, MD
	38th Annual North American Serials Interest Group, Inc. (NASIG) Conference	Pittsburgh, PA
	PCC Operations Committee Meeting	Washington, D.C.
	Annual Meeting of Oklahoma Depository Libraries	Virtual
	NIST Multi-cloud Conference & Workshop	Virtual
	NIST Federal Cybersecurity & Privacy Professionals Forum	Virtual
	2023 FEDLINK Spring Exposition	Virtual
	Federal Web Archiving Interest Group	Virtual
	Library Visit: Minneapolis Central Library	Minneapolis, MN
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
June 2023		
	American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference and Exhibition	Chicago, IL
	Society for Imaging Science and Technology (IS&T) Archiving Conference	Oslo, Norway
	International Association for Social Science Information Service & Technology	Philadelphia, PA
	COPAFS Quarterly Meeting	Virtual
	Technical Reports Archive and Image Library (TRAIL) Annual Meeting 2023	Virtual
	OCLC Cataloging Community Meeting	Virtual
	Government Customer Experience & Engagement Summit	Washington, D.C.
	NISO Annual Members Meeting	Virtual
	Library of Congress June 2023 BIBFRAME Update Forum	Virtual
	Tribal College Librarians Institute	Virtual
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual

FDLP Engagement Activities, Continued

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July 2023		
	American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Annual Meeting & Conference	Boston, MA
	Society of American Archivists (SAA) Annual Meeting	Virtual
	Subject Authority Cooperative Program (SACO) Members Meeting	Virtual
	PCC Participants Meeting	Virtual
	Virginia State Government Documents Meeting	Virtual
	Library Visit: Reed College	Eugene, OR
	2023 LD4 Conference on Linked Data	Virtual
	Association of Reporters of Judicial Decisions Meeting 2023	Virtual
	Archive-It Partner Meeting	Washington, D.C.
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
August 202	3	
	U.S. Department of the Interior Library Training Series	Virtual
	NIST Federal Cybersecurity & Privacy Professionals Forum	Virtual
	Hispanic Americans and Latin Americans LCSH discussion	Virtual
	OCLC's Virtual AskQC Office Hours: Rapid Harm Reduction with	
	Locally Preferred Subjects in WorldCat Discovery	Virtual
	Federal Web Archiving Interest Group	Virtual
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual
September	2023	
	iPres 2023	Champaign, IL
	Special Libraries Association (SLA) Military Libraries Community: Training Summit	Virtual
	ISC2 National Capital Region Chapter Meeting	Virtual
	International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training	
	(IACET) 4th Annual Continuing Education & Training Conference	Saint Louis, MO
	Annual Meeting of Arkansas Documents Consortium	Virtual
	OCLC's Virtual AskQC Office Hours: Get Informed about Genre/Form Terms	Virtual
	NIST Privacy Workforce Public Working Group	Virtual

FDLP Academy Presentations & Events

Date Events Hosted or Attended by LSCM

October 2022

Show & Tell – Cards of the Historic Shelflist
Federal Open Data - 2022 Update
FDLP Preconference: Updates from GPO's Library Services & Content Management
Knowing NAICS: Understanding the Way the Government Classifies Industries
2022 Federal Depository Library Conference

November 2022

Access to Court Resources: PACER, Court Records, and More Library of Congress Veterans History Project

FDLP Academy Presentations, Continued

Events Hosted or Attended by LSCM
Science Resources at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History Libraries
Can I Get That in My Language and How Do I Know I Can Trust It?
2022
Separation of Church and State: What Does the Government Publish about Religion?
Chronicling America: Using Historical Newspapers
Supporting the Public's Right to Know: Engaging Users in Government Information at Florida State University
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Engaging with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS): Online Tools & Citizenship Resources
The Occupational Outlook Handbook: Information on Hundreds of Occupations in the United States
Library of Congress Manuscript Collections: Orientation and Research Strategies
Digital Content Contributor Partnerships, Collaborating with GPO, and Building the National Collection
NCSA Quarterly Meeting
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The James Webb Space Telescope (JWST): A New Window to the Infrared Universe
Role of Regulations.gov in the Federal Rulemaking Process
Prices and Wages by Decade: An Overview
Investing in the Digital Age: Resources for Patrons from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
New Features in askGPO
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Congress.gov: Updates and Overview
UNT's Trans Accessible Libraries Initiative
The 1950 Census
Building a Traveling Exhibit
How the National Security Archive Uses the FOIA to Expand Access to Our History
Introduction to Basic Government Information
Introduction to Federal Statistics Reporting
FDLP Pre-Meeting: Updates from GPO
Spring 2024 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting
Demo and Q&A for FDLP eXchange Release 1.1
History of Women in Printing Pre-1800: Leveraging Wikidata as a Discovery Tool
An Overview of the Affordable Connectivity Program
Finding Answers to Medicare Questions
Comprehensive FDLP Collections and Increasing Flexibility for Regionals
Introduction to the USGS Publications Warehouse
Responding to Community Needs with Government Information
There is Nothing so American: Planning a National Park Vacation
askGPO Overview
Create an Inquiry in askGPO
Login Requests in askGPO

FDLP Academy Presentations, Continued

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	Agency Content Submission in askGPO
	Secrets of the Super Searchers II – Statistics
	Census 101
	Understanding the Fed: Public Documents and the Federal Reserve System
	How to Find Old SuDoc Classification Numbers
	Redesigning an Academic Library Website: Process and Lessons Learned
June 2023	
	Drive Thru Data: Using NLM APIs to Access Information Fast
	Reimagined: Introducing a new USA.gov and USAGov en Español
	Geography 101
	FDLP Claims
	Finding Social Science Data using Federal and State Resources
July 2023	
	Data Librarianship
	GovInfo API Overview and Search Service Preview
	Libraries Helping Refugees and New Immigrants Learn the U.S. Financial System
	Economic Census 101
	Cartographic Resources from the Federal Government: A Roadmap to your Geospatial Destinations
August 202	3
	Should You Consider Crypto?
	Beyond the Binary: Understanding LGBTQIA+ Health
	Federal Government Mapping Resources: Experiences from a Virtual Reference Desk
	The American Community Survey: A Comprehensive Look
	USPTO Intellectual Property Resources
	Paper Maps & Rogue TIGERs: Using Government Documents to Digitize 1980 Census Blocks for IPUMS NHGIS
	Preparing for the Unthinkable, Planning for the Inevitable: Disaster Prevention, Response, and Recovery for Libraries
September	2023
	Rural Health Resources
	Secrets of the Super Searchers III – Law
	data.census.gov
	Digital FDLP Implementation
	Past and Future of NOAA Publications
	Implementation of a Digital FDLP, Northeast National Collection Service Area Virtual Meeting
	Implementation of a Digital FDLP, South National Collection Service Area Virtual Meeting
	Implementation of a Digital FDLP, West National Collection Service Area Virtual Meeting
	Implementation of a Digital FDLP, Midwest National Collection Service Area Virtual Meeting
	Promoting Your Federal Documents Collection

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- 1. Subscribe to FDLP News and Events email alerts. At least one staff member in every Federal depository library is required to subscribe, but anyone is welcome.
- 2. Use askGPO to review trending FAQs and ask questions of LSCM staff.
- 3. Visit FDLP.gov for information related to the administration and management of Federal depository libraries.
- 4. Follow GPO on social media. Federal depository library staff are encouraged to send news and updates from your library. Your library could be featured on GPO's social media platforms:
 - □ Facebook
 - **D** X
 - □ Instagram







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