



# Agenda

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## Monday, October 21, 2024

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### 12:30 – 1:30 **Conference Kickoff / Library Award Presentations**

- Susanne Caro, Depository Library Council (DLC) Chair, New Mexico State Library
- Hugh N. Halpern, Director, U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO)
- Scott Matheson, Superintendent of Documents, GPO

During this opening session, the event will be officially called to order, and opening remarks will be delivered. Awards for the 2024 Federal Depository Library of the Year and Federal Depository Website of the Year will also be presented.

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1:30 – 2:30

**DLC: Managing FDLP Digital Publications in Your Library Catalog: Survey Findings**

- Angela Bonnell, Head of Government Information and Maps, Illinois State University, Milner Library
- Michelle Colquitt, Continuing Resources and Government Information Management Librarian, Interim eResources Coordinator, Clemson University Libraries
- Kate Irwin-Smiler, Reference & Government Documents Librarian, Wake Forest University School of Law
- Libby McDaniel, Head of Cataloging & Metadata, William & Mary Libraries

Managing catalog records and discovery of digital FDLP publications are topics that often raise questions and concerns. The transition to a digital-first FDLP makes these issues more pressing. To respond, in spring 2024, the DLC's Collection and Discovery Services Subcommittee conducted a survey that addressed these issues. Join us for this session where Council members will share survey findings and what they discovered about library practices and needs. Learn actions and next steps that may be taken to assist depository libraries with digital collection development and management.

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1:30 – 2:30

**FOIA Libraries - Ready for Collection Status?**

- Lisa DeLuca, Assistant Dean for Public Services, Associate Professor, Seton Hall University, University Libraries

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, is a Federal freedom of information law to allow any person the right to request access to Federal agency records maintained by agencies within the executive branch of the Federal Government. The Electronic Freedom of Information Act (E-FOIA) amendments of 1996 require agencies to provide the public with electronic access to any of their "Reading Room" records that have been created by them since November 1, 1996.

Join Lisa DeLuca for background and statistics about FOIA Libraries, now numbering more than 450. Lisa has been tracking and advocating for the use of FOIA Libraries since 2019. FOIA Libraries collectively include millions of "responsive documents," by Federal/sub agencies as well as administrative manuals, directives, and FOIA Logs, which are a record of information requested by the public from a specific agency. Learn more about how these resources (in many file formats and with redactions) can be utilized by Government (and all) academic librarians.

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2:30 – 2:45

**Break**

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2:45-3:15

**Keynote: A Conversation with the Archivist of the United States**

- Dr. Colleen Shogan, Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
  - Hugh N. Halpern, Director, GPO
  - Scott Matheson, Superintendent of Documents, GPO
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3:15 – 4:00

**We're Not Dead Yet: Turning Government Documents from a Collection to a Necessity**

- Sarah Dobransky, General Research Collections Manager, Cleveland Public Library

Now that we're in our digital era, it may be hard to sell the value of the FDLP. Have no fear - data is here! This program will go over how to work with non-public staff on Government information for grant writing, business support, facilities management, and more. Learn about the value of census data for grants, industry standards for construction projects, and other resources you can provide. We might not have the print collection we once cherished, but we DO have data and other online resources to support the library and other administrative staff.

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3:15 – 5:00

**GPO: Cataloging Roundtable: Making Online Government Publications Discoverable to Patrons**

- Moderator: Valerie Glenn, Business and Public Affairs Collections Librarian, Virginia Commonwealth University
- Stephen Slovasky, Unit Head, Cataloging, Connecticut State Library
- Ariella Mason, Special Collections Coordinator, Fresno County Public Library
- Sarah Causey, Georgia State Documents Librarian, Interim Head, Map and Government Information Library, Interim Federal Regional Depository Librarian, University of Georgia
- Paul Arrigo, Director, Lee College Library
- Karyn Meyers, Cataloger, United States Marine Corps University Research Library
- Will Mayer, Electronic Resources & Innovation Librarian, Lee College Library

This roundtable session features representatives from public, academic, state, and Federal agency libraries who will discuss different methods of making online Government publications discoverable to library patrons. With the transition to the digital FDLP and the end of the Cataloging Record Distribution Program, many FDLs are considering how to adapt their workflows to the changing landscape. Attendees will learn about a wide range of methods for making their Government documents discoverable including leveraging their websites, updating library guides, importing records into their catalogs, enhancing catalog records, and using GPO's tools, such as the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications and FDLP Data Manager. This session aims to provide libraries with potential workflows for making their online documents discoverable.

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4:00 – 4:15

**Break for Meeting Room A**

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4:15 – 5:00

**Gov Guide Glow-up: Creative Tips for a New Look**

- Lauren Hall, Metadata and Collection Management Librarian, California State University, Stanislaus, Vasche Library

This presentation will discuss the initial redesign of the California State University, Stanislaus Government Documents Research Guide. It will also discuss some of the fun designs and topics we have created pages for on the guide, and how we have used Adobe Express, Canva, Genially, and features within Springshare's LibGuides to make these pages interesting and aesthetically pleasing.

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## Tuesday, October 22, 2024

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### 12:00 – 12:50 **Virtual Snack with Council: Promoting Digital Content**

- Facilitator: Susanne Caro, DLC Chair, New Mexico State Library
- Chat Moderator: Elissa Lawrence, Government Documents Librarian, State Library of Ohio
- Bobby Griffith, Lead Government Information Reference Specialist, University of North Texas Libraries

Do you feel proud of your outreach efforts? Are you frustrated with digital formats? Join this forum to share your strategies and struggles with promoting digital documents.

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### 12:00 – 12:50 **Virtual Snack with Council: The End of the CRDP and MARCIVE**

- Facilitator: Gwen Sinclair, Chair of the Government Documents & Maps Department, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Library
- Chat Moderator: Nia Rodgers, Public Affairs Research Librarian, Virginia Commonwealth University, Cabell Library

This snack session is an opportunity to ask questions and discuss cataloging and metadata issues, such as the end of the Cataloging Records Distribution Program, the closure of MARCIVE, and related topics.

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### 12:50 – 1:00 **Break**

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1:00 – 2:00

**DLC: Understanding Government Mistrust and Enhancing Transparency**

- Moderator: Robert Mead, State Law Librarian, Washington State Law Library, Administrative Office of the Courts
- Paul Helmke, Director, Civic Leaders Center, Professor of Practice, O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University
- Jennifer Bryan Morgan, Government Information Librarian, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Jerome Hall Law Library
- Amanda Dunn; Program Planner; Programs, Strategy, & Technology (PST); GPO

Please join us for this session to better understand the mistrust of Government issue, how it varies across segments of the U.S. population, and what GPO is doing to instill trust in using its online system of access, GovInfo. Attendees will leave the program with a better understanding of the mistrust climate and how they can help eliminate this fear in their library users.

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1:00 – 2:00

**Shared Responsibility for Shared Collections: What Can We Learn from Shared Print Programs?**

- Valerie Glenn, Business and Public Affairs Collections Librarian, Virginia Commonwealth University
- Shari Laster, Head of Open Collections Curation and Access, Arizona State University
- Jesse Silva, Scholarly Resources Strategy and Federal Government Information Librarian, University of California, Berkeley,
- Rebecca Crist, Program Coordinator for Shared Collections Resources, ASERL/Scholars Trust

Shared print and collective collection management have been active concepts in the library world for 75 years. Shared print programs, which typically coordinate a group of libraries in managing print collections, allow libraries to share responsibility for the long-term retention of materials as a distributed network. In this presentation, we will explore the current state of shared print programs and how they are evolving to continue to meet the needs of libraries. This presentation will also provide insight into two shared print programs: Scholars Trust, which incorporates holdings from the Association of Southeast Regional Libraries (ASERL) and the Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC), and the University of California’s Federal Documents Archive (FedDocArc) program, which coordinates shared retention for U.S. Government publications within the University of California system. Building on this foundation, we will connect the world of shared print with the stated goals of current FDLP programs including Preservation Stewards, the National Collection Service Areas (NCSAs), and the new print distribution framework for the FDLP.

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**GPO: New GovInfo Content and Enhancements**

- Megan Minta, Collection Development Librarian, Library Services & Content Management (LSCM), GPO
- Amanda Dunn, Program Planner, PST, GPO

Join us to learn about new content and features added to GovInfo over the past year. Features include the launch of the Congressionally Mandated Reports collection and subsequent improvements, including functionality for relating reports in a series; associating historical Serial Set content into relevant established collections; making available digitized versions of the U.S. Statutes at Large collection from 1789-1951; customizations for new content; and so much more.

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2:15 – 3:15

**Saving Democracy: LOCKSS-USDOCS and the Digital FDLP**

- James R. Jacobs, U.S. Government Information Librarian, Stanford University
- Snowden Becker, LOCKSS Community Manager, Stanford University
- Mary-Ellen Petrich, Digital Preservation Analyst, Stanford University

This session will focus on the long-standing LOCKSS-USDOCS project: what it is, how it works, and why it's crucial for preserving FDLP publications. As the FDLP transitions to an all-digital format, we see a vital need to ensure that these important documents are preserved in a collaborative and distributed manner. The LOCKSS-USDOCS network provides a trusted, decentralized solution for libraries to protect digital Federal publications from loss, tampering, or obsolescence. We will also explore how FDLP libraries can get involved in this preservation effort, contributing to the long-term safeguarding of our Nation's digital public records.

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**Break**

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3:30 – 4:30

**Regional Libraries Meeting**

- Regional Government Information Librarians (REGIL)

The Regional Libraries Meeting is open to all. The meeting will cover topics of relevance to regional FDLP libraries and will be led by regional coordinators from across the country.

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**We the Healthy: Utilizing Government Information for Health Studies  
Library Instruction**

- Emily Alford, Government Information & Applied Health Studies Librarian, Indiana University Bloomington, Herman B Wells Library

This session will describe the integration of Government information resources to health studies. Hired as a Government Information Librarian, the presenter has since taken on roles as a Public Health Liaison and Social Work Liaison at their academic library. Much of the instruction and research resources provided to students in these departments are actually Government information resources. While this particular case comes from an academic library, the presentation will also be pertinent to depository coordinators from public, law and special libraries, as examples of reference inquiries will encompass all types of library patrons.

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**GPO: Introducing DiscoverGov: Preview Our New Discovery Search Tool**

- David Isaak, User Support Librarian, LSCM, GPO
- Catherine Bloom, Systems Librarian, LSCM, GPO

DiscoverGov provides simple, one-stop searching across multiple U.S. Federal Government databases including GPO's Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP) and GovInfo. A high-level preview will be provided focusing on the features and functions of DiscoverGov. Come meet our newest web-based search tool.

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**Becoming a Gov. Doc. Librarian: What I've Learned and How I Learned It**

- Brylynn Ellis, Government Resource Specialist/FDLP Coordinator, Indiana State University, Cunningham Memorial Library

Not every FDLP Coordinator goes into their role knowing what to do. I know I didn't. This session is meant to instruct any Government Documents Librarian on how to start from minimal knowledge of the FDLP and Government information, showing how to build that knowledge, to becoming a specialist. I will be sharing my experiences to demonstrate how someone fresh out of Grad School can take on this vital role.

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## Wednesday, October 23, 2024

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12:00 – 12:50    **Virtual Snack with Council: Unique Challenges, Underserved Populations, and FDLs: Focus Group Results**

- Facilitator: Rob Mead, State Law Librarian, Washington State Law Library, Administrative Office of the Courts
- Chat Moderators:
  - Allen Moye, Director, DePaul College of Law, Rinn Law Library
  - Amy Laub, Regional Depository Librarian, University of Kentucky (Lexington), W.T. Young Library

The Unique Challenges and Underserved Populations Subcommittee will be presenting preliminary findings from librarian focus groups conducted this summer. Presenters will solicit additional feedback from attendees about mistrust of Government, language barriers, budget and staffing issues, the digital divide, and other issues affecting libraries that serve underserved populations.

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12:00 – 12:50    **Virtual Snack with Council: Ask a Mentor**

- Facilitator: Susanne Caro, DLC Chair, New Mexico State Library
- Chat Moderator: Sarah Erekson, Regional Government Documents Librarian, University of Florida, George A. Smathers Libraries

Would you like to mentor a newer FDLP coordinator? Do you wish there was someone you could reach out to for guidance? Bring your questions and expertise to this Snack where you can connect with members of the community.

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12:50 – 1:00    **Break**

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1:00 – 2:00

**DLC: National Collection Service Areas and Limited Print**

- Amy Laub, Regional Depository Librarian, University of Kentucky (Lexington), W.T. Young Library
- Joshua Finnell, Interim Associate University Librarian, Colgate University, Case Library and Geyer Center for Information Technology
- Angela Bonnell, Head of Government Information and Maps, Illinois State University, Milner Library
- Jen Kirk, Government Information Librarian, Utah State University Libraries

Members of the four National Collection Service Area Steering Committees share their committees' work to date.

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1:00 – 2:00

**Adapting to Changes in Government Information Management: Strategies and Tools to Keep You Out of the Weeds**

- Susie O'Connor, Access Services and Government Information Librarian, USC Aiken, Gregg-Graniteville Library
- Pam King, Support and Collection Service Specialist/Government Documents Coordinator, The Citadel, Daniel Library
- Brianna King, Federal Documents Librarian, South Carolina State Library

This session features representatives from USC Aiken, The Citadel, and The South Carolina State Library, who will share their diverse approaches to navigating new, more efficient processes for cataloging Government information. Attendees will learn about practical, low-cost strategies for metadata and cataloging and gain insights into adapting to a rapidly changing landscape as the FDLP undergoes restructuring and libraries increasingly shift towards digital collections. The speakers will offer inspiration and actionable ideas for maintaining effective Government information services, including updating cataloging processes, enhancing library guides, and strengthening outreach efforts. This session aims to equip libraries with the tools and motivation to sustain their depository missions in the face of evolving challenges.

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2:00 – 2:15

**Break**

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2:15 – 3:15

**End of Term Web Archive: Harvesting and Preserving the Federal Government Web Domain**

- James R. Jacobs, U.S. Government Information Librarian, Stanford University

The End of Term (EOT) Web Archive captures and saves U.S. Government websites at the end of presidential administrations. The EOT has thus far preserved websites from administration changes in 2008, 2012, 2016, and 2020 and is currently accepting URL nominations for the End of Term 2024 Web Archive. Members of the project team from Stanford University and the Library of Congress will speak about the history of the project and how it came about, the nomination and archiving process and timeline, and how researchers can use archived Federal .gov data from the archive. Come learn how you can get involved in preserving the .gov domain!

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2:15 – 3:15

**A Balancing Act: Mediating Public Access Services in Academic Depository Libraries**

- Natalie Bond, Head of Information and User Services/Government Information Librarian, University of Montana, Mansfield Library

The central mission of the FDLP lies in providing free access to Government information for members of the American public, as outlined in 44 U.S. Code § 19. This Federal mandate requires that all depository libraries provide access to their physical Government documents collections by ensuring their building is open to all depository users, including the general public. Academic libraries, however, operate in a unique ecosystem in which the scope and extent of public access services (e.g. printing, computer use, checkout services) available to members of the general public are often much more limited than similar services for university students and employees. Budgetary considerations, vendor restrictions, cybersecurity concerns, and staffing limitations are just some of the issues that academic depository libraries must necessarily grapple with when delineating between policies and access services for members of the public and university affiliates.

This presentation explores such dynamics within the context of the University of Montana’s Mansfield Library, a four-year, medium-sized, public R1 institution located in the Rocky Mountain West. I will discuss exploratory research conducted around the use of Government information by local nonprofits and community action groups; the Library’s current public access services and policies; results from a recent survey of regional depository libraries around public printing and computer services; and results of a recent environmental scan of academic public access services conducted by Library employees. The presentation seeks to invigorate conversations within the depository community around the practical and rhetorical implications of access services and policies for members of the general public and will provide some practical steps forward for other academic depository libraries seeking to connect their stewardship of Government information resources to community needs.

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**Break**

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3:30 – 4:30

**DLC Business Meeting**

- Susanne Caro, DLC Chair, New Mexico State Library
- Members of the DLC

During this session, Council business and potential recommendations to GPO will be discussed.

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**Break**

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4:45 – 5:30

**DLC Wrap Up & Closing**

- Susanne Caro, DLC Chair, New Mexico State Library
- Members of the DLC

During this session, Council will review and discuss conference takeaways and DLC action items.

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**Adjourn**

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**Acronyms**

- DLC: Depository Library Council
- FDSS: Federal Depository Support Services
- GPO: U.S. Government Publishing Office
- LSCM: Library Services & Content Management
- MCS: Metadata and Collection Services
- PST: Programs, Strategy, & Technology

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