

FDLP Preconference: Updates from GPO's Library Services & Content Management – Transcript of audio

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Hello, everyone, welcome to the 2022 FDLP preconference. My name is GPO. Before we get started, I want to go over a few logistics with you. We are recording the preconference, and all registries will receive a link to the recording after the event. It will also be in the FDLP Academy training repository. We really want to encourage everyone to chat their questions and their comments in the right hand and a lower corner of the screen. We will also be monitoring the questions that come in, and at the end we will relay them to presenters. Also, at the end of the preconference, and by email afterward, we will be sharing that faction survey, and please take a few minutes of your time to complete that, if you can, since this is a new venture, we would really appreciate the feedback. And, with that, I would like to welcome Laurie Hall, the managing director of library services and content management. Take it away, thank you.

Hello, welcome, everyone, you for taking time out of your busy easy day to be with us. As Kelly reminded you, if, you know, you have to step away, this is being recorded, so you can always come back and listen to what is going on, what we have to say. You know, the hold preconference idea kind of came to us in June when we start working on planning the fall conference. We had so many things that we want to talk about, and with the virtual fall conference, there is limited space and slots. So, we wanted to open it up for a few more agency presentations, and the idea of having a preconference, where we talk just about initiatives and projects came as idea for us to try. So, we decided to do that. That way, you also get to meet a lot of the people you routinely don't see who are going -- that are behind the scenes talking about their projects, their initiatives, so you will hear from the folks that are working on these things on a day-to-day basis, I think that is really important for you to get a sense of communal, who is behind all the things that we are doing. Let's go to the next one. So, today, I would like to introduce Scott. He is our new superintendent. So, welcome, Scott. He started yesterday, so he is just getting himself acclimated and oriented, and there was a press release out, so welcome, Scott, there is a lot to take in, we are glad to have you with us today. And we hope that this presentation and preconference will help you get a little sense of where we are with some of our projects, so welcome aboard, Scott. Okay. Just to remind some of you who may be new to the program or are just starting, taking on depository responsibilities, the library services and content management is the business unit that manages four public information programs. One is obviously the federal depository program. The cataloging and indexing program, the international exchange service, and the by log program. Indexing is what comes out in the catalog of government publications. Things that are published by all branches of government, whether we distribute them in a format through the depository program or not. If we have a copy, we cataloging and identify. The international exchange service is a program that we do with the Library of Congress to distribute coming you know, materials like the federal registry, congressional record, hearings, to natural and international libraries all over the world by who we have a treaty with, and then materials from those governments come back to the collections of the Library of Congress. And we do that distribution and our F DLP, box information, shipments out at the Laurel warehouse facility. The bylaw program is kind of smaller, it's just, there are some titles that, in many pieces of legislation, they say, you, print additional copies for storage, and to provide to anyone who is interested. So, we do store some key titles out of our warehouse for free distribution. And in LS CM, there are current three divisions. Me, the federal depository support services, that is now run by Kate Pitcher. Projects and systems, which is I am acting in that position because we are in the process of hiring someone to be the chief of projects and systems, and the library technical services, which is run over by Fang Gao. You'll meet all those people in the next hour. So, what does the office of managing Director do? What kind of chart the current future strategic direction of the organization, coordinating with the Superintendent of documents, and all the other projects and programs in GPO. We manage, you

know, the day-to-day business, the administrative operational functions for LCSM. Facilities, personnel matters, all tines of different things. Human capital, hiring, that kind of thing. And we also manage and coordinate our strategic communications for the FDLP, any kind of coronation, for press releases. We work with the public relations office, we do the marketing and outreach efforts to the community, and other stakeholders, as needed. We prepare all the appropriations budget, and we do all the budgeting and financing, transactions throughout the year, conference, attendance, you know, buying things, buying services, et cetera we do special studies and reports, as required either by law either by managing director, director of GPO, or the behest, so we do some of the R&D work, and of course, right now, we are working with the task force report and the assessment and the next steps for that. So, that is one of our key things that we do on a regular basis. Okay. Also, many of you who have been keeping track of what's going on, we just released the strategic plan. It was released in September and is a five-year plan that focuses on how we are going to curate this national collection to make sure that, you know, the public gets it, it's free, it's equitable, convenient access, for the most current information resources in digital, and those tangible collections that you all have in your institutions. We had a public comment period where you receive comments and then we released the final, including any comments or suggestions to the document. So, and, you know, additional focus is going to be transforming the LCSM business unit into primarily digital content and a service-oriented customer service oriented operation. Okay, so, here, in general, I am going to talk about these different sections, parts of LCSM and what their top priorities are in FY 23. Each of our chiefs will talk about these details, these priorities in more detail coming up. So, outreach and communication. There did strategic planning is going to focus on a regional servicing model. How we are going to service the libraries in different regions, we are expanding our organization, as well, we have hired more staff to help serve you. We are working on a communication plan, how that is going to go about, how we travel, how we visit. How we gather all the information that we receive from you and how you interact with us. That is part of that proactive outreach situation. How often are we going to go, when are we going to go, what are we going to talk about, what kind of training. That sort of thing. Less, they are going to be working on the FDLP Academy. Take the Academy to the next level. And, we are going to be enhancing and improving our live guide services. We are going to be continuing to work on our maintenance on ask GPO. Which is building information on each of your libraries. We are looking at some forays into knowledge management, and documentation for all of the activities. Kate will talk a little more about those coming up. For Fang Gao's area, here are her top areas. A way to disseminate our bibliographic records. We are currently using get hub, so we are planning to expand that or look for some other possibilities to give you more records. We are going to be obviously continuing, which we always do, our agency outreach. Trying to make sure that we find and identify, all kinds of materials that the agencies are publishing, especially the digital. The LTS group is working on pilot projects wanted to in their capacity, they are looking at the changes to RDA, and we have integrated library system project that is starting to kick off in FY 23. It projects and systems, we are going to be on boarding a new chief. That is my response ability, so I will be acting this integrated library system project incorporates folks from projects and systems. It's a cross LCSM organizational project. They are going to be working on Ben's guide. We are going to be changing Ben's guide to an environment based on our security recommendations, so that is going to happen. We have been funding to do that in FY 23. There is some additional exchange enhances that are happening. We are working on the FDLP data manager. For some of you, it's the iteration of DDN. We have a lot of digitization projects going on right now. We are also continuing to work on our archives. And also, our next offering of a pilot project number three. Okay. I am going to turn it over to Kristene Blake, and she's going to talk about the task force. Let me do that. You can take it away.

Thank you, Lori.

There she is.

There we go. Hello, good afternoon. Good morning to everyone. My name is Kristene Blake, and I am the senior adviser for the GPO task force. This is the director helper and commission to this 23

member task force in a response to a recommendation to stay invisibility of an all digital SDLC. Federal agencies, and library associations. It is a very diverse geographic representation, we even have a members from Hawaii and Alaska, so we have a great team that is coming together to draft this report. Director helper in charge, the task force to define the scope of an all digital FDLP to examine the current landscape, where are we currently, and where should the program be in the future? Study the feasibility of a digital FDLP. Can we go all digital and should we go all digital? And if the case is to go all digital, make recommendations as to how to implement and operate such a program. We divide into six areas of investigation, and have six corresponding working groups. They cover aspects. You know, how does this affect others and their access to government information. The impact on depository libraries. How does this affect their staffing, training and operations? The impact on federal agencies, how are they giving us their information. Impact on GPO and LCSM in particular . What are the implications for title 44 and other legislative and policy issues. The framework piece of the puzzle. We submitted our draft report out for public comment on September 14th, and what we learned is that we can and should go all digital. But, there are a number of things to consider. Such as, you know, technical pieces, implementation pieces. How this is going to be put into practice. Other legislative things. We also know that GPO needs to dedicate a significant amount of resources to the training and management of this transition. And all digital FDLP may not mean no print. So print would still exist under this model . And then, we also want to build and expand current collaborations with federal agencies and build that piece up. As I mentioned before, our public comment. Opened on September 14. It will close on Friday. If you'd like to read the report and,, you can find our draft report on our website. Just go to [FDLP.gov](https://www.fdlp.gov) . We have important questions out there. Was there anything critical that we miss, were there any holes in our research? These are things we really want to hear from the community. We have received 29 comments to date, and we are eager for more feedback so that we can make sure what we turn in to the director at the end of this calendar year has been exhaustive and encompasses everything that it needs to. This is our timeline. We started off in the spring with stakeholder outreach and consultations. Then we did a lot of drafting over the summer. Now we are in the public comment period, and we hope to wrap up at the end of this turned over to the director. Our task for us has turned over tirelessly through weekly meetings. They put so much effort into this. We are really proud of our products afar, and we look forward to hearing from the larger community. Thank you so much for your time. If you have any questions, you can reach out to us on our website, and we will be happy to get back to you. Now, I am going to turn this over to Kelly.

Thank you, Kristene. High, everyone, my name is LCSM, and one of my roles in LCSM is promotion and marketing. I just have a few things for you today. First I want to get back to January of 2020. At that time, we had started a huge overhaul of all the FDLP promotional materials. I don't mean to fill in the blanks for you on what happened shortly after that. But obviously, all of that stopped and we halted in order to change direction, and we procured face Max and signage for your libraries. We also developed the FDLP toolkit, so we start all the traditional efforts for some time in order to change direction and do that. So, fast forward to now, we are back working on the overhaul that we started then. We are working on six no brochures. A got info full-time, and a brochure, a brochure, a brochure on the cataloging record distribution program, and then a brochure to recruit federal agencies to bring their content into the FDLP. Those are all in the works right now, they are being worked on. The supply chain issues are also real as card and paper and shipping and all that. So, we are working, but it is a slow process. After we get those six brochures procured, we are going to look at the current general brochure, the one that is available in English and Spanish. So, that is next on the list. We also are looking at some new stamps. Two new stamps, actually, one that says FDLP regional copy, do not discard, and one that is the traditional Eagle emblem to replace the publication stickers. We have gotten a lot of reports about the different problems that come along with the stickers. The adhesives disintegrate over time. Stickers fall off. So, we are taking a look at stamps, and we are in that ordering process right now. We are also researching some new promotional giveaways. Some of our previous products were pencils and carpenter pencils and pens

and bookmarks and things like that. So, we are taking a look at different new promotional giveaway items that we can send to you, and you can give to your patrons. So, government info. In addition to all that. We are also working on overhauling the digital marketing toolkit. If you're familiar with that on [FDLP.gov](https://www.fdlp.gov), that is where we have logos for download and public service announcements and things like that. So, that is also more concurrent. In a all throughout, while weird, we are also continuing to feature libraries on social media, and [FDLP.gov](https://www.fdlp.gov), and this is just where I pop in to remind you , if you are celebrating an anniversary, if you put up an interesting new display, or if you have a special event, please send us some details and photos, and we love to feature our libraries in any way we can. And then, my last plug for today is, you might have noticed recently that the info logo has undergone a slight facelift. If you have that logo on your library website, and we really hope that you do, we would like you to please replace the old lowercase a bold info logo with the new info logo. If you don't know where to find that, I am going to be putting it in the chapter right now. And, if you don't have it on your website, and you would like to point to it from your library website, we would love for you to do that and considerate, as well. That's all I have for everyone today. Thank you, and I am passing it to Kate Pitcher. Thank you, everyone. You are muted, Kate.

Hello, everyone. Good afternoon. Let me advance the slide here. Let me introduce myself. I am chief of federal depository support services, Kate Pitcher, and I am going to be talking today about the services we provide, as well as some information about some of our projects that we have been working on. So, I will go ahead and talk a little bit about our staffing. The biannual survey, discontinuation. Ask GPO, and the my colleague, Lara Flint will be talking about special offers. So, many of you know some of these smiling faces already, but I am just going to briefly reintroduce the community to our staff. We have had a lot of changes of the last two years, and some of our staff are moving into new and different positions. But, I would like to emphasize that the mission of the team remains the same, that we are here to support the FDLP community and respond to the needs of the libraries in their depository operations and best practices for their FDLP collections. In regards to this, we are going to be doing some outreach and communication planning and in the next few months. This will develop a more proactive strategy to reach out to our depositories. Some of you may know that we try to visit as many libraries as possible. COVID made that impossible for a couple of years. But we are eager to get back out on the road. Visit libraries and work with staff and help them as needed. So, some of these, again, the spaces may be familiar. We have Kathy Carmichael, Lara Flint, and Jamie Hayes . The latter two, Lara Flint and Jamie, they are promoted to senior administering of librarians, and they will be working in F DSS but knowledge management, analysis projects. We have one of our administrative librarians, and she will be working with Jamie and Lera. Of course, you have Joe, and all of their different capacities, they support FDLP libraries and works with the staff to troubleshoot issues. Whether it's using the GPO tools and providing guidance treating and managing government documents collections. So, we are here to support you. I also would like to, I'm really excited though to introduce the newest members of the FDF S team. They join the spring and summer of .22, and these exceptional people provide support to FDLP libraries and outreach efforts and provide a lot of customer service . We have David Isaac. Who joined us this summer from Reed College. He was a former FDLP coordinator. You have Helen Keremedjiev who joined us from the USGS library. The University of Minnesota, and FDLP for Donald Sensabaugh . We also added a fifth person to our team actually, this happened just recently. Yesterday was her first day, and that was Melissa Fairfield. It didn't make it in time for the slides, but she gets back in the GitHub for team as a supervisor. FDSS . She will be working on policy analysis. So, welcome to all the new team members. Were grateful and happy happy to have us here and join us for GPO. This year's survey was a little delayed. It's really the only one survey, but it covers .20 and 2021 depository library operations held every two years. There were 25 questions this year, and then, the survey was open from January 26 2022 through March 23rd. We received a little over 1065 responses out of a total of 1113 libraries. That's about a 96% return rate. Then, the current data set is available for download via [FDLP.gov](https://www.fdlp.gov) if anyone is interested in taking a look at the raw data. I'm happy, really happy to announce that the second state of the FDLP report will be released, excuse

me, released later this year . Our first annual state was released about a year and a half ago that was for the 2019 survey. So, keep an eye out, that should be released somewhere in the next couple of months. But, in the meantime, I would like to just share with you some selected highlights from the biannual survey. This one, which may be no surprise to many of you, this was question 14 from the survey and, this is the question asking depository coordinators to estimate the size other tangible collection. You are noticing for the 1000 responding libraries who responded to this question about 93% have paper. About 71% still have microfiche. 66% of those have maps, and about 69% still have some sort of physical media. This next question asked what is the nature of your depository collection, and, many libraries are weeding, this was question 18 actually, this reveals that at least 11% of our FDL are working on their tangible collections. This includes all types of act of depositories heard selected depositories, rather. Some reported classifications stems. This graph here on the next light gives us an estimate of the percentage of tangibles catalog. If there is over the various types of libraries. We do have quite a few though that are quite extensively catalog. They are collections. And then the last selected highlight I am going to share with you today asked the question, the survey was question 23. Which treating formats are the FDL interested in? There is a preference for asynchronous learning. This is a ranked listing of the responses from most to least. Again, we have a lot of interest in our prerecorded webcast. Not so much the hands-on. That probably was not too surprising, as this was done, of course, during the pandemic. But we are going to continue to refine training topics and re-evaluate our asynchronous educational options, as Laurie mentioned earlier. FDL Academy will be one of our main focus is to bring educational offerings to the community. Microfiche continuation. So, LCSM has been distributing microfiche under contract. In December 21, libraries were alerted, of course, to the phasing out of distribution of microfiche to the FDLP. So, these five contracts, three belong to the library services and content management business unit, and two belonged to other GPO business units. So, those other two, we ride with those contracts with those other groups. So, the three contracts belonging to LCSM all ended this calendar year . The CFR index ended in March. And the house and senate journals, why one NY for ended on April 40th. And the contract for the bound congressional record ended on September 30th. These are the other business units within GPO. We write to those contracts, so we can discontinue writing this contracts as long as the contracts are still in force. So, the Federal Register and the list of CFR sections affected the LSA belong to OFR and we continue with the discontinuing this one at the end of the calendar year, so that libraries have the full volume if they select microfiche. It's produce on a contract that belongs to congressional publishing services and we plan to discontinue at the end of the congressional session so that each of us that libraries receiving the microfiche have the full Congress. In April, we gave libraries an extra window to add paper to their item profiles. In order to facilitate that switching over to paper of any titles that they had been receiving in microfiche. The microfiche items will drop off their profiles as those item numbers and activated. So, be sure to add paper if you wanted. There is a project page on FDLP.gov, and there is a nice little graphic on there that shows you the percentage of microfiche items that have been fully distributed. I believe we are at about 80% done with distributing those microfiche item numbers. So, again, through the transition, we are going to continue to some libraries, as we discontinue and the phasing of microfiche distributional. We'll continue to recruit reservation stewards and prince electors, with all the regionals at the national collection service area level. We will encourage and work with you on collection development collaboration. And we will maintain a munication with the library community, as well as provide the superintendent document to weed, as appropriate. Some selected highlights. We have updated the directory. This year, we headed national selection service area fields to directory entries. You can see where the selected and regional lie within those national collection service areas. We have initiated a cleanup area in the directory. Again, the author released the biannual survey. We've also begun maintenance of the knowledge base in askGPO. Popular and current topics of interest. Another item to highlight here is a depository highlights field in the FDL directory that may be of interest to our libraries. It's a new text field and the question might ask, why do we have this new field? The purposes are to promote and showcase your depository collections. You

can network with other federal depository libraries about specialty collections. You can refer others to them as a resource, about the other FDL about working with patron. As for what to highly, if you are interested, you could include the scope of your depository collections. Specific serial runs, if you have them, any subject areas that you collect in, with your government documents collection, and any particular interest that you collect. And just as, when you're ready to add this new directory feel, you will want to login to askGPO, and you'll go into the bottom of your account page to find the depository highlights field. This is in below the designation information. Here is two examples on the screen. One is from Hall library. This gives you an indication of some the areas they focus on in their lab report occasions. The second one is Murphy library, and it shows you, the first one, Wilbur C Hall showed you specific areas of congressional publications, foreign relations, et cetera, you'll notice the second one with Murphy library emphasizes geographic areas and subject areas, so you can highlight your collection a number of different ways. If anyone has any questions about this new text field in the federal depository library directory, please reach out to us through askGPO, and we would be happy to assist you if you would like to update this information for your account. Now, I am going to turn everything over to Lara Flint, who will talk about special selection offers.

Hello, everyone, this is Lara Flint. I am going to talk to you about special selection offers, and also just a little more about other selection topics. So, special selection offers are, I think, they are really cool thing that we do that maybe not everyone knows about. But, they are really nice option, any depository library can take advantage of these, including all digital depository library's, even though, we are talking about a print publication. So, we begin doing this in 2019. And what we do is, when CBO is looking at a publication and deciding that we are going to distributed to the libraries, sometimes to say, oh, this looks really interesting, but only, you know, a small number of libraries are selecting in, so we are going to order some extra copies. After we have distributed to everyone who already select that, we open up the special selection offers a anyone who does not select that, we have some copies of this interesting publication, and then first-come first-served, you can request to get a copy of it. Then you keep it in your collection as a depository copy. So, in FY 22, we offered six publications this way. The really extremely popular one was women in Congress. As I mentioned, we're taking a little bit of a guess as to how many libraries might be interested in this, and we had a close that one after one day because all 80 copies got stacked up. And then, you can see the other publications we offered. And it's kind of how popular they were. On the slide here. We also are always trying to sort of improve the list of classes, and make changes that give depository libraries more flexibility and what you can select and how. So, I wanted to highlight some of those, as well. It used to be, so, some of these changes are pretty significant, and if you have been in the FDLP committee for a while, you might've been pleasantly surprised that we were able to do this. So, in the past, only regionals could select certain item numbers, and that included the Supreme Court slip opinions, the bank congressional record, the balance serial set, and it was basically a cost issue. But, in our current environment, that is not as big of an issue. So we have now opened it up. Any depository library can select any of those publications. We have just for some little numbers, once we open this up, the number of libraries selecting the bound congressional record did increase from 54 to 66, 23 selected's, now selecting it. And the bound serial set went up from 32 to 63 libraries selecting with 19 select lives. And another thing is we, as part of that phasing out of microfiche that Kate was talking about, we split the code of regulations. There now 49 separate item numbers, one for each title. So if you have a favorite title, you can select just that one. If you are not at all interested in title 48, for example, the Federal acquisition regulation system, you do not have to select that one. So we did that in January 20.2. So, those are some of the things that we have done to make your life easier and we always appreciate feedback, so please let us know through askGPO what else we can do to help you. And I am now going to turn it over to Fang Gao. Thank you, Laura, so good afternoon, everyone.

This is the chief of library technical services. So, you might have heard from this part of the presentation, I would like to provide updates on LTS operation. Will start with an overview of LTS and highlight some of our accomplishments in FY 22. Stephen will talk about our cataloging and

metadata initiatives, and Oksana will talk about our partnership with updates. So, here is a screenshot of staff members attending the meeting. I would like to thank everyone of you for your great work in FY 22. So, for the LTS overview, the nation is to support federal depository libraries. You, as federal government agencies, and all stakeholders, to fulfill their needs for you as a government information. By providing them with the best services and products. Related to the lifecycle management of federal government information products this includes, but is not limited to acquisition and distribution of new government publications cataloging and classification. Harvesting, and archiving digital publications. The unit collection development and collection management activities related to the national collection of U.S. government public information. Coordinates the distribution, logistics, and creates the records that provide access to those resources in GPO's catalog of information. Out here, for teams but for supervisors. They evaluate every collocation the comes from the GPO system, and determines whether and how to distribute materials. We are focused on developing tools and workflows to better inform this to position making process. We are also developing strategies to proactively reach out to agency content creators to make sure that all in scope materials are available for potential acquisitions in tangible and online formats, like Laurie mentioned earlier. This is one of our initiatives in F1 23. The serial team developed a seven part catalog program and provided trading systems to some LTS staff members, and our new contactors. They also provided pseudo-classification item number assignments. Web tech news mentoring and support to other LTS staff members. Distributed team continue to do great work getting tangible publications shipped to the depository libraries. The stats are in the LCSM handouts. One of the key functions of LTS is metadata creation and bibliographic control. We have gone beyond metadata creation, automating some of the processes whenever possible. Reusing and repurposing our metadata we are making efforts to find ways to use our metadata so we can better use our users and needs. Stephen Khargfen , who will talk next, we'll talk about some of the initiatives. But before I turn it over to Stephen, let me briefly give you some of our operation updates. We continue to update GPO cataloging policy. We now retain all non-pseudo-call numbers during cataloging, and they appear in the records. Now, Sue Doc numbers are provided to our story libraries that integrate government documents into their larger, general collections. To respond to our community request for more cataloging webinars, our LTS supervisor. Classification visible with reference to instructional guidance federal government applications. And with a demo of titles being. Exported to GPO iOS and displayed in the --. Donna will put the link to the webcast in the chat. Also, LTS has reviewed and catalogued websites of the house and senate committees. Completed the records for the 57 current committees and other entities. With regard to library of contests,'s overseer, GPO has proposed more than 40 new headings and approximately a dozen updates. Such as live chatting. Another recent success in humanizing the our proposal to replace the term -- as a result of the evidence and research we presented, the Library of Congress has all changed problem use in LCS H two risk use. We continue to watch for the implementation date for the official I.D.A. from the PCC. Catalogers have been attending a second run with these since April of this year, and will complete soon at the end of October. Metadata integrity lineup with Oksana Osborne helps with the toolkit. On behalf of GPO. She will share more information after Stephen. Oksana will also talk about our partnership with Bim frame later. We continue to work on many cataloging projects. Recently, we surpassed the 2000 record for GPO congratulations. Historical reports, which is more than half of the approximately 4000 reports including in the partnership. One of the services LTS has been providing is providing metadata with our community and other stakeholders via GitHub. Cataloging record distribution program. We have created the American Indian and Alaska native native Hawaiian record sets to help serve the needs of tribal colleges. To extend this effort, we have formed a record stats working group. Collaborating with Tuskegee University and the University of Kansas project on the history of black writing. A list of subject headings was formulated in a draft subject base resource collection page is currently under development for the GitHub. We would like to do more with the customized records that, so let me stop here and take a moment to ask you some questions related to the desired topics or subjects

desired for us, and a general question about usage of our current products. Thus far. So, this is also one of our initiatives for FY 23. So, will put the question into the chat. So, the question is, which subject areas are topics which your library like to see create its quarterly record sets four. Please indicate your type of library when responding. So, we will give you a minute, and then, I will turn it over to Kelly, and we are going to do two calls. So, Kelly, turning the ball over to you. Thank you. Let's see.

Just let me know when you're ready for your first poll question.? Yeah, in the times of distress, can we go ahead. Thank you.

Okay. The first poll question is have you downloaded record sets from the repository? Give me about 10 seconds before it close rest. And you should be seeing the result

Thank you. And thank you, everyone. So, we are ready for the next one.

Okay, would you be interested in records based on various criteria, please select as many as apply. And the bowl is wrapping up. You should see your results.

Thank you, Kelly. Thank you everyone for participating in this. All the information you are gathering is really going to help us to have better services and better products for you guys. Okay, so my last slide, so to find out more information about LTS, we have LCSM, library technical services portal. So, we will put it in the chat, and you can go there for more information later on. Thank you, and I am not going to turn it over to Stephen.

Okay. Well, hello, everyone. Thank you very much for attending today. Let me advance my slide. I enjoy my colleagues in expressing my gratitude to you for your great work, for your communities, and the Federal depository Library program. I offer my appreciation to the staff of LTS and LCSM for their wonderful work during this year. I am going to briefly touch on several of our initiatives. We are looking at the essential characteristics of federal government information products and how we currently represent them in our records. We will focus, we have started with the bibliographic records, and then we will think about authority records for federal government agencies. We will focus on metadata that describes those specific features, and how to present the metadata directly and clearly. In order to improve the discoverability of resources, help users to understand the information in the records. Facilitate computer manipulation of the metadata, and collect data about the records, and the publications that they describe. LCSM staff members provide an extraordinary amount of information about government documents. This is another effort to maximize their at parties in their cataloging operations and work lows. We have new elements, including the branch of government from the agencies issuing the publications, and the public policies area covered by the publications. Our first step relates to the public policy content. We currently do not characterize resources in this way. We will, excuse me, assign terms from the Congressional research services list the policy areas that they use for bills and resolutions on Congress got. They work together on submitting a request from a new Mark subject heading, and source code for the list to the Library of Congress. And they issue the new code in August and we want to express our sincere appreciation to the staff members for their great collaboration. The code will indicate the Providence of this metadata in our records. The terms will provide a higher level facet to enhance the discoverability of our records, and the identification of the publications. We will test the assignment of these descriptors and records for congressional publications. In general, we will apply one term per record and we will enter the terms and Mark 650 fields with the source code in subfield two. We will launch a three month test. Next week and after the test, we will analyze the results and ask the testers for the feedback and recommendations. Our goal is to enhance our records with this new metadata element. That will reflect the key characteristic of government documents. While, minimally, will increase the cataloging level effort. Next, I would like to talk about our plan to create records for individual bills and resolutions. GPO does not catalog his publications currently due to the high volume introduced in each Congress. We did some preliminary searches and did not find large numbers of records later this year, we will launch a test to generate records from the GovInfo records. This will provide access to each publication, and we will include the Congress.gov URLs to provide access to the actions related to each measure. We will catalog

them as integrating resources, as we think this approach will best represent ministers changing and moving through the legislative process. Our goal is to make these critical publications discoverable in the catalogs of depository libraries, OCLC, and the CGP. Point research is to GovInfo and Congress.gov. Well, the last item I would like to talk about is the CGP data dashboard. In March, we launch the dashboard with the purpose of visualizing various aspects of our records, and to begin mining it as a data set. We want to thank FDS staff members for the great working with us together on this. You can access the dashboard from the notable numbers page of FDLP.gov . Todd is going to talk about those links in the chat, and thank you, Todd, for doing that. We plan to use CGP data to tell stories about government information. We would like to get your feedback about the dashboard, so Todd will put a few questions in the chat. Of course, we also welcome your feedback by askGPO. We will take a moment while Todd puts these questions in the chat. The questions are, have you looked at the CGP data dashboard? Do you find the data interesting or helpful? And what other kinds of data it would you like us to include? For those of you who have not had a chance to look at the dashboard, we hope you will. Take a look. We are planning to update this, the data, as frequently as possible. We are in the process of putting together some data about the records that we have catalogued. From January through June of this year. Okay. So, sorry for running over. Thank you very much for your helpful answers, and now, I will pass it over to Oksana Osborne, who talk about RDA .

Hello, everyone. My name is Oksana Osborne, I am a metadata in integrity library. I want to talk to about one another metadata enhancement we have done. We have been adding URIs to our records. This allow link data by allowing a direct record. Close to 5 million URIs were added to the CGP this year. They only view the Mark view in the bibliographic records. That is the blue box on the left. Then, the URI link, the actual pages displayed on the right. So, one of the impacts is machine processing provides many options to. What intervention is to create new authority records of the machine does not incorrectly match two different people who have the same name. Because this means more authority will be needed, LTS is developing criteria for which records may be developed. This will remain as much information information as we include on people ideally, but it will be fine. On to BIBFRAME, which is a system that heavily uses your eyes. LTS is staying informed about link data initiatives in the library world, one such initiative is BIBFRAME, a cataloging model needed by the Library of Congress to be serving as a replacement or alternative to 21. Currently, there is no external access to the BIBFRAME editor. In order for GPO to learn more about BIBFRAME and experiment with creating records, two catalogers, David and I were granted temporary access to the Library of Congress system. Paul and Jody here are two of the amazing staff members who helped us. Jody created some profiles specifically for GPO, so that our most commonly used metadata fields would be --. We then used it to create new bibliographic records. This is how a record for a work displays in the current to BIBFRAME test database. We only created around a quarter of the records we had hoped to. But we did utilize several different templates, and we successfully completed a representative sample of record types, which are listed here. Not only did LTS gain first-hand experience with BIBFRAME, but we were also able to provide an outsiders perspective of features needed by other institutions. They have already implemented some of our ideas. So, next up, with BIBFRAME, we will have to decide whether or when to implement, and then, make decisions for elements unique to government documents. Then, the last initiative we are going to talk about is RDA, research description of access. If you attended the update in previous years, you are already familiar with this project to summarize, LTS uses the cataloging model to create and update catalog records. A new iteration of RDA was released in 2020. It is now known as official RDA and represents the biggest change in cataloging since the original RDA was incremented in 2013. LTS will not begin using that new RDA until it is implemented by the program for Cooperative cataloging. They will not do so before June 2023, because they need to complete some testing first. LTS is participating in the PCC test of the official RDA toolkit. This test is designed to assess whether the toolkits policy statements and associated metadata guidance documents are user-friendly and accurate. There are 72 participants from PCC libraries. This includes one LTS technical services

librarian serving as a tester. Cataloging using the official toolkit. Elsie statements, and MGD is and recording functionality about the documentation, and what LTS metadata integrity library and serving as a librarian and piling observations from testers and looking for trends and opportunities for improvement of the policy statements and MGD. I'm also serving on the test group that is managing the tests. The testing period begins next next week and runs until January 6. They will analyze the results and provide recommendations to PCC in early 2023. Policy statements will be updated based on our recommendations. Then, official RDA will be implemented by PCC no sooner than June 2023. Thank you all for being here, I'm going to transfer it back to Laurie. Thank you, Oksana. And, today, the rest of this presentation, I am not going to be the acting chief of projects and systems. I mentioned before that we are in the process of hiring in a new chief, so hopefully we'll have that person onboard shortly. So, I am going to introduce some of the key things going on in that unit, and then let some of the other folks take over. Okay, so we have quite a few different teams in projects and systems, we have the archival management teams. That handles harvesting and archiving of web content. Our Perl tool, and also, we have folks in the archival management team that our records managers for the Ellis CM operation. We have the projects and digital conversion team, which provides support for all of our special projects, our contracts. Digital pre-preservation, for both digital and tangible preservation. This manages our digitization and partnership efforts then, we have a library systems team, which manages our ILS, supports the CGP, and other resources like -- other technology solutions, such as DLP exchange, askGPO, live guides, and other back and systems that we use throughout for public use by you, but also for our internal use for Ellis CM. We also have the content team which maintains Ben's guide to government, and other web related services and tools, so a lot going on in projects and systems so, here are some of our major initiatives that, for FY 23, we are managing the two pilots we have going, and we are discussing a pilot number three. We manage all the official partnerships, preservation, print selectors. Partnerships for regionals across state lines, et cetera. We maintain the GovInfo certification, and we are working on the core trust certification for GovInfo. We put web harvested monographs into GovInfo. We also are doing all our digitization, historic federal government publications that are ingested into GovInfo late the Congressional directory, the Federal Register, to name a few projects, one pass, one currently going on, and we managed the lifecycle of all of our procurements. That's not just system procurements, but any kind of procurement for services that we use throughout LCSM, and we do functionality, and content development for all of the websites, and of course, we maintain the rural service, and we work with our contractor on the Pearl. Those of the major initiatives that we are working on continue to work on in projects and systems. Okay. I am going to turn in now over to Suzanne. She's going to talk a little bit about her areas. Old on, Suzanne. I will pass it to you.? Thank you, Laurie. Okay. As Laurie said, I am Suzanne Ebanues, I am a supervisor in library services and content management. I will be sharing some updates on our official partnerships. Before I share the updates, just a quick refresher on the type of tibial partners. First, preservation stewards make a commitment to retain specified tangible repository lease sources for the length of the agreement. They also take on additional responsibilities for reserving that material. Digital preservation stewards, on the other hand, make a commitment to retain resources that are within scope of FDLP. They also take on additional resources for preserving those resources. They provide digital content for GovInfo. Digital access partners make digital resources on their own sites within scope of the F DLP at no fee. Cataloging the metadata provides graphic data and information for historic or unreported up publications. Finally, we will consider all partnerships from the library federal agency or interested institution that supports free public access to U.S. government information, even if it does not fall into one of those categories. We have had a busy year. FY 22. We will share little bit of what we have accomplished. Boise State University provided 12 digitized publications that were made available into GovInfo. The library of technical services staff, as I just mentioned, surpass the 2000 record milestone for our collaboration with the Library of Congress to calm his total important. They added 266 records to the CGP for the I sexting publications held by the University of -- the reports were added to the CGP through partnership. Our focus this past year

has also been on expanding the title of preservation of historical records. Given it through preservation. We talked about preservation stewards through records. And Abby McDermott, our collection management also identified using items information and other factors. So, let me share the results as of it today. Preservation steward for the current collection of rational material. As well as the publications from the FDR administration that are part of the pilot project one. Several existing preservation stewards also agreed to take more titles under their stewardship. Siri cues Syracuse University has Colorado school of mines had a historic, inaccurate, as well as the published Nuremberg and magic background of PURL Harbor . The University of Maine is now a preservation steward for current and historic formal relations of the U.S. At Louisiana State University, is a preservation store now for title III of the CFR for historic and current, and all other titles, they are serving as a preservation store for current titles. McNeese State University also added historic and current title III of the CFR to their historic section. We are continuing to talk to several libraries and hope to get more. I hope you will be thinking about your collections and collection priorities and potential opportunities to partner with the GPO. If you have a title or titles that have a tangible format, please consider. Please consider sharing your work with the community. Talk about your collections, projects, or just ask a question, please reach out to us. You can submit an inquiry through ask GPL or email me directly. I will now pass the ball onto Lisa.

Thank you, Suzanne. I am Lisa Russell, a senior program analyst in project systems, and I'm going to provide an update on a FDLP exchange. We have been working on migrating the current FDLP exchange site to the latest version of Droople. If you are familiar, that was referred to as one .1, we are still planning to do that. We are providing that through budgetary reasons. We are putting that into sections, and we are releasing it as one .2 and 1.3. That's going to have many features that could not get into one .1. Is going to impact the libraries and the reports, which only affects GPO staff. They are the only ones who have access to that. The current plan is that we are fully going to test the the release 1.1, and then we will roll straight into releasing into 1.2 for those many release features, and they will test those and release those along with 1.1 so we are not losing any functionality. Then, that is the current plan. If we run into delays, with getting started on 1.2, that may have to change, but we really do not want to release without those functions, because we know people have worked those into their workflows. We are beginning preliminary testing. We are racking up the development, as I said. We are beginning preliminary testing and are doing that through next week. The user acceptance testing is scheduled to start on October 24th. We expect that to last about six weeks, but a lot of that will depend on how many things we find that need to be fixed. How long it takes them to fix him a and so on. It sort of a cycle of, we test, they fix, we test again, until everything is working correctly. So, that is currently expected to take about six weeks, but that will depend on how it goes. So, what should you expect to see in the next version of exchange? Well, as I said, we are primarily working on a technology migration right now and the goal is to keep all the existing functions. You should expect some small changes and look and feel, but the goal is to basically rebuild what we currently got. Onto the newer functionality. We are also looking to upgrade the help section, and that will be incorporated into the new site. Spreadsheets, going forward, are going to be limited to 250 lines. We had some issues with a longer spreadsheets, and it looks like that is actually causing more problems than it solves. By that, I am referring to that functionality, where if the file size is longer than a certain size, which is roughly 250 lines, it is really based on the file size than on the number of lines. But, when that occurs, we are having some issues with that. And we are, because of that, we are going to change it so that we are not providing that functionality, where it lows directly into the system and then kicks out a file of the things that did not meet the requirements. So, you always be getting that review pain in order to fix things going forward. Let's see. We also are going to come on the advanced search page, we have currently got it listed so there is a primary source and a secondary source, and a tertiary sort. That has never worked correctly. So we're going to take the secondary and tertiary sort off that page. You will still see the primary sort, and we will fold in that secondary and tertiary sort into later development. There are also going to be some changes to the date fields. One of the problems we have been

having with the field is that it is currently accepting blank fields, where the field is actually required. Obviously, we don't want that. It's required for a reason. And, so, we are changing that, going forward, and in the new release, if there is something like, in some cases, if there is a publication date and, you know, some publications do not have easily identifiable publication dates. If we come across one of those, you will need to enter none into that field. Just the word none. What that does is it tells the system that is intentionally left blank, because the information is unavailable and that it is not just something that is an oversight. So, there will be some small changes to that. We have also been having some problems with the cell formatting, where the Excel program formats is a date field for those cells, and that is actually causing some problems with the library, because, for example, we can accept a month and a day, a month and a year in the publication start field, but that is not a standard field for the database that is maintaining this. That is confusing. The system is getting confused. But it will take it okay if it is actually in a CSV file. So, we are going to change it so you have to upload in CSV. You can still use the Excel templates, which have the headers which highlights the fields that are required. You can still work in those if that works better for you, but when you get ready to upload, you'll want to go ahead and save it as a CSV file and then upload that CSV file. We will be providing instructions on how to do that. There are also some current, some bugs in the current system that will be fixed. One of those, for example, is that currently, there is an issue with the messages, and if you are, if you have enough messages in the system, where he goes over onto a second page. If you go to that second page currently, it is not splaying any of the messages. So that is one of the bug fixes that there may be others in that that we are going to fix with a new release. My last slide, I just wanted to point out, these are the direct links to the application development links, and the subject training guides. These will both be updated. We will be updating to indicate what is in release to that -- 1.1 and 1.3 development page, and the guidance and training materials, of course, will be updated for the new site and we will probably be refreshing the webinar so that we have webinars with the newer interface and so on. And come with that, I am going to hand it over to Katy Davis .

All right. Hello, everybody. I think I am coming up. Hello, everyone. I am Katy Davis, and I work in web content under project and systems. I am trying to move. There we go. There. I am here to talk about Ben's guide to the U.S. government and we are embarking on an update to this. Believe it or not, as I was pulling these slides together, I just realized that Ben's Guide is over 20 years old . It first launched in 1999 in response to a memorandum from Bill Clinton's administration, back in the day. They wanted, they were interested in expanding access to Internet-based educational resources. For children, teachers, and parents. That is our objective. We want to educate learners of all ages about the U.S. government and government information. So, what we want to do is move Ben's Guide from our old CMS into Droople. GPO I.T. security is highly recommending this. So, we will do that. While we are doing that, we have the opportunity to improve existing Ben's Guide content. We can expand learning adventures and what we want to do is actually refine a learning adventure area to older users and make that part less cartoony. We search methods with government documents. We also, to improve our content, we want to build and maintain partnerships. With the library community, we had a partnership in 2013 that with the American Association of school librarians, and that was a complete success. They got volunteers to create and that lesson plans to ensure that they were effective younger users, learners. So, what we want to do is actually, expand a touch .2 GovInfo , CGP, and MetaLib by linking to this primary source information into Ben's Guide, and we also want to a bit to optimize the content. We also want to ease the adorable character to go out into the community and into different conferences to start speaking with people and spark dialogues and attempt to initiate partnerships. We want to improve our content. And, if you guys have any questions or feedback about Ben's Guide, contact Darrell Walker. He is the manager of our team, or, you can contact me, or you can go on to askGPO and go under Ben's Guide and you can leave suggestions, comments, or questions there. So, I will hand it over to Dory Bower , and thank you very much.

Hello, everybody. I think I have the ball. I still see Katy, but anyway. So, hello, saving the best for last. I am Dory Bower. I am archives specialist in library services, and one of the jobs that I do is I manage the FDLP web archive. So just very briefly to touch on what the web archive is, if you are unaware is that it provides point and time catchers of U.S. federal agency websites, while preserving the uncton Allie of the website to the best extent possible with an aim to provide permanent public access. So, what we have been doing recently, I last updated, as we are continuing to increase the size of the web archive. We are also working on re-crawls of websites over the last year. It's going a lot larger, so it is always growing the size of our crawling with our existing sites, but we have been trying to add some new sites recently. We just recently added, for example, the former judicial center and America 250. We are working with salesforce contractors with advancements for external users to be able to request content or provide feedback directly about the FDLP web archive. We are also working on enhancements for our internal work flow and developments that will help us better manage our collections. The current size of the web archive. We are at 44.5 terabytes right now. That's over 454 million URLs crawled. We have 215 collections in archive it and have 269 records on CGP. I also have a direct link to direct you to the FDLP archive page which directs you to the question and answer page, and a reminder. Or to those who are unaware of the axis to the FDLP web archive. It is accessible directly through archive it. You can go and search GPO or FDLP, or through our catalog of U.S. government publications. There is a singular catalog for the FDLP web archive in catalog.gpo.gov. So thank you, everyone, and I will pass it back over to Kelly.

In queue, Dori. I think Laurie wanted to come on say a few concluding words. We did have a couple of questions. Not many that were addressed in the chat, but just know that we will be sharing the entire chat with LCSM and subject matter experts so we can address your comments.

Thank you, Kelly. I just wanted to thank all of the LCSM staff for participating. We covered a whole lot of things. We haven't covered everything that we do, but we just talked about some of the key highlights. And not to say that some additional stuff is not going to be presented at the conference next week. So, if you have not referenced the conference, starting on Monday, please do. Some of our staff is going to be talking about other things at the conference and be on panels and sessions. So thank you, once again, for joining us. Don't forget about the preconference survey. Since this is our very first time, as Kelly mentioned, we would really like your feedback. Did it work? Is there something we should continue? Are there things that we should have covered? There is a handout that is a condensation of all the things that are going on. We are trying to get away from the handout and do more virtual things. But there is more additional detail on that handout. So, we hope you enjoyed the conversation today. Our show and tell. We look forward to seeing many of you next week, and, as Kelly said, we will be looking at the chat and making sure all of your questions were answered. Thank you for participating in the polls. With that, I think we will close our first preconference. So, thanks, everybody.

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