

## Value of the FDLP Libraries – Chat Log

from Michelle Theodorou to everyone: 2:15 PM  
I spot Ben!

from Rebecca Holm to everyone: 2:15 PM  
Ben

from Jan Edmiston to everyone: 2:15 PM  
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from DeAnn Isenhower to everyone: 2:15 PM  
BEN

from Karen Davis to everyone: 2:16 PM  
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from Kristina Bisbee to everyone: 2:16 PM  
BEN

from Kelly Seifert to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Michelle Theodorou was first :)

from Janelle Nash to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Yay Michelle!

from Michelle Theodorou to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Woohoo!

from Samantha Vargas to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Ben!

from Angie Bonnell to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Woot to Michelle!

from Kelly Seifert to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Value Handouts: <https://www.fdlp.gov/news/value-fdlp-new-handouts-fdlp-staff>

from Jan Edmiston to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Congratulations Michelle!

from Angie Bonnell to everyone: 2:16 PM  
Thank you Kate!!

from Cynthia Etkin to everyone: 2:19 PM  
I like the spinning plate graphic!

from Eleanor Mullens to everyone: 2:21 PM

Woohoo! Thanks for telling us about your dissertation. Definitely want to read it.

from Aimee Quinn to everyone: 2:25 PM

+1 Eleanor

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:26 PM

+2 Eleanor

from Leslie Carr to everyone: 2:30 PM

Hi Rick! From Leslie Carr, ALA GODORT Development committee

from Aimee Quinn to everyone: 2:31 PM

Congratulations, Brent!

from Andrea Stelljes to everyone: 2:33 PM

That's a great image!

from Brylynn Ellis to everyone: 2:36 PM

Yay GID 2026!

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:37 PM

Hi, Brent from Carolyn Frenger, Library Technician of the Department of the Interior, home of the Bureau of Land Management, USGS and many other departments, bureaus and offices! Thanks for including us in your presentation! Carolyn : )

from Eleanor Mullens to everyone: 2:37 PM

Rephrasing my question from earlier: Are you or someone you know an FDLP librarian in or near the Kansas City region that would be up for a visit and conversation from a non-FDLP GovInfo librarian? Thx.

from Rick Mikulski to everyone: 2:39 PM

+1 everyone should consider preservation steward partnerships!

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:39 PM

+1 Rick

from Robin Haun-Mohamed to everyone: 2:40 PM

Brent, great work being proactive in outreach. Especially when you have so many other demands on your time. Good use of the libraries in your region. Thanks for sharing today.

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:40 PM

Thanks, Brent!

from Aimee Quinn to everyone: 2:41 PM

Hi, Rick! Good to "see" you!

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:49 PM

Just a curious question for everyone who have copies of the Pocket Constitution available for your patrons, have you had an increased interest in them during 2025?

from Gwen Sinclair to everyone: 2:50 PM

Yes, pocket Constitutions are flying off the table!

from Kelly Smith to everyone: 2:50 PM

+1 Gwen

from Trina Magi to everyone: 2:50 PM

Some people question the point of being a depository library if they are no longer receiving any print materials and patrons can access government publications online. These people value the government information itself, but wonder why they should continue being a depository library. How would you respond to that? I ask because I'd like to help promote the program, and I'm not sure how to address this question.

from Lori Driver to everyone: 2:50 PM

Yes! Today we held a Library Fair for students. I gave away over 100 copies.

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:51 PM

Lori, wow!

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:51 PM

Gwen, I can imagine them being highly useful!

from Sarah Erekson to everyone: 2:51 PM

@rick does the seat-at-the-table argument work for public libraries too

from Bert Chapman to everyone: 2:51 PM

We must stress our expertise in understanding the varieties of government information produced by agencies on topics such as immigration and AI which we have accumulated over multiple years of experience working with and reading these documents.

from amy hanmer to everyone: 2:51 PM

Pocket constitutions increased for sure at our public library.

from Martha Barker to everyone: 2:52 PM

+1 Trina Magi

from Alicia Kubas to everyone: 2:52 PM

@Eleanor An outreach librarian from GPO will reach out to you via email to connect you with depository library coordinators in your kansas area. We are always willing to help connect folks interested in government information with the FDLP community!

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:52 PM

Rick, I bought my own copies for myself and my Mom!

from Scott Matheson to everyone: 2:52 PM

Bert +1

from Maureen Quinlan to everyone: 2:52 PM  
The pocket US. Constitutions are very popular.

from Yael Davis to everyone: 2:52 PM  
it is hard to use the GPO promotion material in academic law libraries

from Kris Abery to everyone: 2:53 PM  
+1 Trina

from Ashley OQuin to everyone: 2:53 PM  
I had to make an emergency drop off of PC to our Public Library on Constitution Day.

from Abby McDermott to everyone: 2:53 PM  
You can find out more about all the ways to partner with GPO on our Collaborations page on FDL.gov: <https://fdlp.gov/collaborations-with-gpo> and there are many resources and webinars related to our Preservation Steward collections on that partnership page: <https://fdlp.gov/collaborations-with-gpo/partnerships/preservation-stewards>

from Brylynn Ellis to everyone: 2:54 PM  
Only Pros to being an FDL.

from Rich Gause to everyone: 2:55 PM  
Wearing so many hats, having one of those hats be GovDocs helps focus your own attention on maintaining some level of expertise.

from Becki White to everyone: 2:55 PM  
As a small public library, I can say that just attending these webinars gives me an advantage at being aware of what resources are available. I wouldn't be here if my library wasn't an FDL.

from Bruce Pencek to everyone: 2:55 PM  
@Bert. Exactly. Which is way docs responsibility ought to be part of many subject liaisons' responsibility as well as the more traditional census-data-GIS experts.

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:55 PM  
Ashley OQuin, I am sure your emergency drop of PCs were very appreciated! : )

from Trina Magi to everyone: 2:56 PM  
Thanks, all. That's helpful.

from Cynthia Etkin to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you very much Heather, Brent, and Rick! Terrific panel presentation!

from Stephen Kharfen to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you very much!

from Lori Driver to everyone: 2:57 PM

Thank you!

from Michele S to everyone: 2:57 PM  
thank you!

from Leslie Carr to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you all!!!

from Channa Cajero to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you!

from Cassandra Wenzel to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you!

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you, Heather, Brent & Rick! Great presentations from you all!

from Aimee Quinn to everyone: 2:57 PM  
thank you all!

from Siuki Wong to everyone: 2:57 PM  
Thank you!

from Ashley Dahlen to everyone: 2:57 PM  
We will resume our next session at 3:15 Eastern.

from Carolyn Frenger to everyone: 2:58 PM  
Thanks to everyone who responded to my question re: Pocket Constitutions! : ) Carolyn

from Virginia Pierce to everyone: 2:58 PM  
Great talk and timely on communicating value of FDLP. Thank you.

from Charlie she-her Amiot to everyone: 3:11 PM  
Was I needed in this room?

from Kelly Seifert to everyone: 3:12 PM  
not required to stay in this room if you want to be part of room B - thanks!

from Andrea Stelljes to everyone: 3:15 PM  
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