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Good Morning! June 17, 2019

Statewide Delivery System Coming Soon



State Librarian Michael Scott Shares The News

Today's **Eye-Opener** leads off with a letter from State Librarian Michael Scott with news about an exciting, upcoming service from the State Library. Michael writes:

*"Today I am pleased to announce that the State Library will soon be providing a statewide delivery service to Iowa public libraries! This has been a goal for our agency for many years; we felt it was so important that we included it when we developed our most recent **Strategic Plan** ([Goal 2, Objective 3, Project 3](#)) Delivery service will encourage all public libraries to facilitate interlibrary loans, resource sharing, and more.*

This has been in the works for several months, but because of the scope and uncertainty regarding cost, we were not going to commit to the service until we could see actual proposals with hard numbers from vendors. In April we issued the RFP and received one proposal by the deadline. I am pleased to say the proposal meets all of our desired qualifications and the cost was more reasonable than expected. We are currently working with the vendor to agree on the contract terms, and for that reason I am unable to disclose the company name at this point. I can say that the service will offer at least one day of delivery per week to every public library in Iowa – yes, to all 544!

We know that you will have many questions as we work on a transition process, rollout, and procedures. State Library staff have brainstormed anticipated questions and we will be working with the vendor to get these answered. We are also

planning on offering a formalized method for you to submit questions and feedback in the near future.

We are thrilled to be able to offer statewide delivery service, which aligns with our mission to strengthen library service in Iowa. Look for more information coming soon!"

State Library of Iowa Strategic Plan

Foundation Directory Online

Coming in July

In other news, the State Library of Iowa has purchased access to **Foundation Directory Online (FDO)** for Iowa public libraries beginning in early July.

This is a research tool to help libraries and nonprofits find the grant-makers most likely to fund their projects. This tool includes grant-maker profiles that provide an overview of the funders' work, along with all the pertinent details fundraisers need to find and approach grant prospects. Here are a few resources to become more familiar with FDO:



- [FDO Factsheet Flyer](#)
- [Handy FDO Guide](#)

The **Foundation Directory Online** can be used by library staff and also made available to patrons and local nonprofits. Iowa's public libraries will have access to the Essential Plan, which includes:

- 100,000+ grant-maker profiles
- 500,000+ key decision makers and leaders
- Keyword search IRS 990-PF Forms
- Online workspace

How To Access

To receive access to the Foundation Directory Online, public libraries must submit their IP address (or IP range). Do so on the online form linked below. Because authentication for Iowa public libraries will be via IP address, this product is for in-library use only.

Once libraries submit their IP address, FDO personnel will contact libraries to provide further instructions on setting up access towards the end of the month.

[Submit Your Library IP Address for FDO Access](#)

ILA-NLA Fall Conference



Registration Open

This October, the Iowa Library Association and the Nebraska Library Association are joining forces to offer a combined conference. The 2019 conference theme is “**Bridging Borders, Succeeding Together.**” The location is the **La Vista Hotel & Conference Center in Nebraska.** La Vista is just outside of Omaha, the conference takes place **October 2-4, 2019.**

Registration is open and a preliminary schedule, as well as event costs, are already posted on ILA's website. Among the speakers and sessions:

- Authors Lisa Scottoline, Ted Genoways, and Jaime Casap.
- Historical tour prior to the conference on Wednesday
- Golden Sower Gala with award-winning authors on Thursday night featuring Neal Shusterman, Lisa Papp, and Lynn Plourde
- Thursday Trivia night returns with Dan Wardell!
- Alamo Drafthouse Cinema Movie Thursday Night

RAYGUN in Des Moines has created specialty shirts just for our conference. Order before August 20th to receive your shirt at the conference site.

[ILA-NLA Conference Info](#)

This Week Webinars & Reminders



Two Webinars This Week

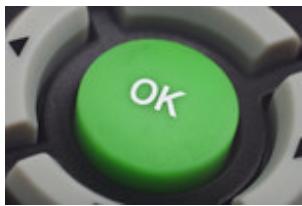
Gale's Opposing Viewpoints webinar happens this **Wednesday June 19** (9:00-10:00AM) Learn about this newest resource coming to your library in July--at no additional cost.

And on **Thursday June 20**, catch “**Presentation Pointers —Eye-Popping Publications**” (10:00-11:30AM) This

program offers style tips for upgrading traditional printed pages, along with looking at various design features of MS Word, PowerPoint, and some Google products too. Whether creating quick signs or flyers, compiling reports, or designing a slideshow, these software features help improve the overall look and feel of printed materials.

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June 30 =



Direct State Aid \$\$ Must Be Spent

All Libraries that received **Direct State Aid** (money awarded for meeting standards at Tiers 1-2-3) must spend all funds by **June 30, 2019**. You will be expected to report on how your library spent your share of DSA funds by July 31...

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