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Enrich Iowa Reports Due July 31

Open Access, ILL, Direct State Aid

Libraries that receive **Enrich Iowa** funds through the **Open Access, Interlibrary Loan,** or **Direct State Aid** programs must submit reports by **July 31**. Library directors will need to file **Enrich Iowa Reports** indicating your library's Open Access and ILL transactions. In addition, directors need to report what was purchased with your library's share of Direct State Aid funding.

Open Access enables eligible Iowans to check out physical materials at over 600 participating Iowa public and academic libraries. As a result, Iowans have greater access to more library resources, more choices in library service, and the convenience of using a library where they work, shop, or visit. **Open Access Report Form for FY24**

Interlibrary Loan provides Iowans with equal access to library materials by supporting resource sharing among all types of libraries. Participating libraries agree to lend their materials to other libraries across the state; the lenders receive a subsidy per loan. More than 200,000 interlibrary loans are made annually through the program. **Important Note:** No report is necessary if all loans were made through the SILO ILL System or through OCLC Resource Sharing. Use the **ILL Request for Reimbursement Online Form** only if you have any ILL loans beyond those made through the SILO-ILL or OCLC-ILL to report.

Direct State Aid is the funding awarded to Iowa's public libraries for meeting service standards. The standards program, outlined in the document In Service to Iowa: Public Library Standards, is intended to achieve consistency in library service statewide and to uphold best practices. **Direct State Aid Online Report Form FY24**

The **Open Access** and **Direct State Aid Reports** require a user name and password. Hint: it's the same user name and password assigned to your library for completing the Annual Survey. If you need help accessing this information, contact **your District Office** or **Toni Blair** at the State Library Des Moines Office.

Enrich Iowa Legislative Report FY23

Cybersecurity Pilot Program

Iowa Libraries Encouraged To Apply

This news comes courtesy of Trisha Frazier, State Library Resource Tech for NC/NE Districts. It concerns libraries and cybersecurity, with decided connections to E-Rate, and Iowa libraries are encouraged to apply.

Schools and libraries have increasingly become the targets of cybersecurity attacks by malicious actors seeking to steal personal information, compromise online accounts, and disable / disrupt critical networks that provide broadband connectivity. Schools and libraries are among those critical networks. To help address these threats, the FCC launched the **Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program**. This is an effort to gather needed data to better understand whether and how universal service funds—also known as E-Rate funds—could be used to support the cybersecurity needs of schools and libraries.

This **3-year Pilot Program**, administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) with oversight by the FCC, provides up to $200 million in universal service support to eligible schools and libraries to defray the cost of eligible cybersecurity services and equipment. The **Pilot Program** will follow many of the processes used in the E-Rate program, including competitive bidding, requests for eligible service and equipment, and a reimbursement process.

Apply for the Pilot Program
This fall, the FCC will open an application filing window for entities that are interested in participating in the Pilot Program. Eligible schools and libraries will be able to apply to participate in the Pilot Program through a two-part process, using a newly created FCC Form 484. In Part One, interested applicants will share information about their school or library and the type of cybersecurity services and equipment they would request in the Pilot Program. If selected to participate in the Pilot Program, participants will be required to provide more detailed information about their cybersecurity experiences in Part Two of the application.

From the applicants who complete the FCC Form 484, USAC and the FCC will select a diverse variety of schools and libraries to participate in the Pilot Program. If you are interested, please read the **FAQ Page for Libraries** from the **American Library Association (ALA)** at the button below

Learn More
Trisha has provided these additional resources learn more about this Cybersecurity Pilot Program

- **FCC's Cybersecurity Pilot Project web page**
  https://www.fcc.gov/cybersecurity-pilot-program
- **Cybersecurity Pilot Program Email List** **E-Rate Cyber Pilot Program Email List (alchemer.com)**

- **Trisha Frazier: State Library Resource Tech and E-Rate Coordinator**
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FAQ Page For Libraries

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Bridges Invoices Are Ready

Inside Your Marketplace Account

Please log into your OverDrive Marketplace account to find your Bridges invoice. Invoices for Bridges annual fee should be available in your [Marketplace account](#) now. Use your consortia log in **[bridges.lib.lcityname]** and check under the Billing menu.

You will be able to print your invoice as a pdf or pay online from there. Be sure to use the mailing address on the invoice if you choose to send a check. New member invoices will also appear in your Marketplace account.

OverDrive will also be sending a directly linked invoice to the email address used to sign your Bridges Letter of Agreement this spring. If you've had a staffing change since then, it may go to a different address. If that happens, it will still be available in your Marketplace account.

Over the years and through the woods of experience 😊 the Bridges Team expects that 60 days gives ample time to get these bills approved via your upcoming board meetings, with time to move the payment through your city's check-writing cycle.

Thanks for seeing to this and let us know if questions!

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Bridges E-Library Service

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Next Week ...

Check it Out! July 23. 11:00AM-12:00PM. Online

Check it Out! is a monthly webinar series spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Youth Services Consultant Janeé Jackson-Doering will share collection development tips,

Friday Tech Focus: Zotero. July 26. 9:30-10:00AM. Online

While it's by no means new, the software billed as "Your Personal Research Assistant" always has new features coming up. Zotero is a free application that allows you to collect, manage, and cite research sources. It's easy to use, connects to your web browser to download sources, and integrates with your word processor to insert citations and references. Eunice Riesberg demonstrates this oldie-but-goodie piece of tech to see how we can use it in our libraries today!

Friday Tech Focus is a quarterly opportunity to learn about a new tech tool and discuss how it might be used in a library setting. Spend 30 minutes learning about a new tool, then stay for informal discussion if you have time.

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