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New Year, New Data, Better Libraries!

Join the field-wide shift toward outcome measurement and make your library's New Year's resolution all about measuring impact with the Public Library Association's (PLA) Project Outcome. Since launching on June 26, Project Outcome has quickly met public library demand and desire for standardized performance measures by exceeding [200 library users](#) in just six short months. To date, nearly 750 Project Outcome participants have registered free online and over 200 public libraries are currently using the Project Outcome survey tools to measure the outcomes of at least one

ALCTS Virtual Symposium on Research Data Management

The Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS) will present a two-day virtual symposium (Jan. 19 and 21) designed to provide a thoughtful, interactive, and actionable introduction to building and delivering research data management services. Attendees will learn about the primary activities and importance of data management across the scholarly lifecycle; the policies, trends, and technologies affecting researchers and the organizations that support them; and, the expertise, staffing, and resources libraries must consider when building successful and sustainable services.

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program or service within their library, aggregating over 4,000 surveys nationwide. To learn more about measuring your library's true impact, visit www.projectoutcome.org.

New Directors

Andrew Horner is the new director for Converse-Jackson Public Library. According to Coleen Carlson, Andrew started Dec. 3 and is currently in training. Her official last day is December 31.

ILHB adopts new regulatory requirements for Public Libraries

The Indiana State Library and Historic Board held a public hearing on Friday, December 4, to consider comments and deliberate on the proposed revisions to Indiana's public library standards. The hearing was the final culmination of the efforts of the standards committee members who gave so generously of their time to meet and determine appropriate modifications to the existing public library standards.

The public hearing concluded with a motion and unanimous vote approving the revised standards. If the proposed rule is approved by the Indiana Attorney General and Governor's office, the revised standards will take effect January 1, 2017.

[Click here to view the adopted rule # 15-83 regarding public library standards.](#)

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Indiana State Library Foundation welcomes applications for Talking Books & Braille tech grant



The Indiana State Library Foundation in collaboration with the Indiana State Library's Talking Books & Braille Library is seeking applicants for a new grant supporting patrons with the purchase of assistive technology devices. The grants will provide monetary reimbursements in an amount ranging from \$50 to \$1,000 towards the purchase of an assistive technology device of the grant recipient's choosing. These devices remove many barriers to education and employment for visually impaired individuals and may include: video magnifiers, optical character recognition systems, speech systems, etc.

Indiana State Library Foundation Chairman Robert Barcus stated, "The foundation is pleased to support visually impaired patrons in the purchase of much needed assistive technology devices. These devices not only make it possible for the visually impaired to experience the joy of books, they also provide access to a world of technology that can lead the way to independent living."

"For years the Talking Books & Braille Library has served visually and physically impaired Hoosiers. The technologies grant program will further the State Library's mission of serving all Indiana residents, leading and supporting the library



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Early Literacy Materials from the Indiana Dept of Education

In the next few weeks, all public libraries in Indiana will receive a “bundle” (box) of materials from The National Center for Families Learning and Hoosier Family of Readers, Superintendent Glenda Ritz’s literacy initiative. This is the third year of her mission: to build a culture of readers in Indiana by supporting schools and public libraries in their mission to get books in the hands of students and their families.

We encourage you to schedule a family engagement event at your library soon to promote her mission. The bundle will contain all the materials you will need to host a family engagement event in your library. Included will be an event guide to help you plan the event, as well as 30 copies each of a parent guide, a poster for each family to help them record their reading, a bookmark for each family that provides conversation starters for parents when reading with their child, and a suggested booklist to encourage reading in a variety of topics and genres.

Superintendent Ritz would like to attend your event as her schedule permits. In the bundle, you will find a letter from her with instructions on how to contact her if you would like to invite her to your event. Contact Jill Lyday, Secondary Literacy Specialist/Hoosier Family of Readers Initiative/Indiana Department of Education at jlyday@doe.in.gov for further information or questions.

community, and preserving Indiana history,” said State Librarian Jacob Speer.

To apply for an Indiana State Library Foundation grant, [click here](#).

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