California State Library, Library Development Services
Cooperative System Report, January 3, 2022

Zip Books
The California State Library invites all CA public libraries to apply for funding to establish a Zip Books program. The purpose of the Zip Books program is to provide patrons with speedy access to materials they might not otherwise be able to get through the library, without the long wait times often associated with ILL requests. It also adds a patron-driven collection development approach to a library's usual process, resulting in a collection more closely matched to the needs of the local community. Program information and application can be found at Zip Books - California State Library

To apply for Zip Books funding, please use the Submittable application link at California State Library Application Manager - 2021-22 Zip Books Application R2 (submittable.com) Applications are due into Submittable by **January 14, 2022 5 p.m.**

Libraries new to Zip Books can request up to $35,000. Please note: For California libraries that previously had a Zip Books program and weren't able to apply in the first round in November 2021, we invite you to apply for this second round of funding. For Zip Books questions, please contact Lena Pham at lena.pham@library.ca.gov

Networking Conversations
Networking conversations for California libraries continue, and we encourage you to register to attend. Directors' calls occur once a month and an invitation to participate is sent out on the directors' listserv as dates are scheduled.

We hope you will participate in the next public library directors networking call on **Wednesday, January 19**, 2022 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. We're sending out this save-the-date notice a bit early, as this call is an important one where you'll have the chance to offer your thoughts on the next five-year LSTA plan.

Join Linda Braun and Sandra Hughes Hassell to actively engage and share your thoughts about the development of the next California State Library LSTA five year plan. At this session, Linda and Sandra will ask library directors to contribute ideas and opinions on significant issues related to the future of public libraries. You will have the chance to consider and talk with each other and Linda and Sandra about organizational opportunities and concerns and the role of the State Library in addressing and supporting those. Please register using this form.

CopyCat Grants
Copycat Grants are intended to help libraries easily implement tried-and tested-programs and extend the impact of previously funded, successful LSTA projects. The call for applications have closed and applications were reviewed by a panel. Award news anticipated Dec 2021 to early **January 2022**. For questions, contact lena.pham@library.ca.gov

California Library Literacy Services
The application for Round 1 of the new $15 million in ESL services through CLLS programs is now open and closes December 24, 2021 at 5 p.m. These funds are only available to current CLLS libraries. A November 19 webinar introduced the application process. Please note there will be three opportunities

for new applications. Round 2 will open in spring of 2022 and Round 3 in spring of 2023. Please contact Bev Schwartzberg at beverly.schwartzberg@library.ca.gov for the webinar slides and recording.

*Digital Learning Platforms for All California Public Libraries.
We are hoping the learning platforms Coursera, GetSetUp, LearningExpress (plus Job and Career Accelerator), LinkedIn Learning, Northstar, and/or Skillshare are being set up on your websites. The vendors have contacted the identified library staff with information needed for set up. Each platform has a different access model. The link to information sessions, marketing materials, and FAQs is https://my.nicheacademy.com/callacademy/course/39032. If you or your team has not heard from one of the vendors, or if you have changed your mind about adding one of the platforms, please email jen.lemberger@library.ca.gov.

NOTE: If you did not register interest in accessing LinkedIn due to connection issues with SIP2 or Patron API, please contact Jen (email above). We are working on a solution.

*Building Forward Infrastructure Funding for California Libraries
The Building Forward infrastructure grant program was made possible by the California Budget Act for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, which contains $439 million in one-time funds to create an equity-focused matching infrastructure grant program to support local library maintenance, capital projects, broadband and technology upgrades, and purchasing of devices.

As stated in SB 129, Section 215 the California State Library:

1. Shall prioritize project requests submitted by local libraries in high-poverty areas of the state. No grant amount shall exceed $10,000,000.
2. Shall prioritize grants for life-safety and other critical maintenance and infrastructure projects.
3. May support more significant modernization and construction capital projects, other infrastructure projects, and device purchases only if funding remains after supporting life-safety and other critical projects.

A link to a recorded information session is available at:
https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/infrastructure/

The preliminary application period, which was an optional step in applying, closed October 27, 2021. Next steps will be announced shortly. If you have questions, please email BuildingForward@library.ca.gov.

California Libraries Learn (CALL)
California Libraries Learn is busier than ever. Start planning your team's professional development by visiting www.callacademy.org and check the frequently updated calendar to explore the options. Free courses, weekly webinars, and
> cohort-based training for directors and senior management on **Incorporating Equity into Public Library Services and Systems** (look for an announcement in early December);
> **CALL for Learning**, cohort-based training on how to build an effective learning culture in your library (registration now open);
> training on inclusive library services focused on those with disabilities; and

cohort-based community engagement training.

CALL has its own newsletter, *CALL Letters*, and users can subscribe directly for up-to-date information on staff professional development needs. Please subscribe today. Encourage your staff members to create a login to access the many online, self-paced learning opportunities available through CALL Academy. This year, CALL's special focus areas are, as requested by CA library staff: mental health and workplace wellbeing; customer service; equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging; and community engagement.

Funding opportunities through the California State Library

Please visit the grants page of the California State Library website for a listing and timetable of new and upcoming funding opportunities.

Public Library Staff Education Program

The Public Library Staff Education Program is a tuition reimbursement program developed by the California State Library to assist California libraries with staff professional development. Funding for credentialed training is provided to enable library staff to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to support valuable programs and services in their communities. Information can be found at Public Library Staff Education Program - California State Library. 2021/22 PLSEP grant report information can be found at Manage Your Current Grant - California State Library For questions, please contact Lena.pham@library.ca.gov

Developing Leaders in California Libraries

In partnership with the California State Library, the California Library Association (CLA) is presenting another year of exciting new Leadership Development opportunities for library staff in California. In addition to the Leadership training program, the Developing Leaders in California Libraries project is offering a series of "My Leadership Journey" webinars open to all staff to attend.

For more information on upcoming events and previous MLJ recordings, please visit https://claleadership.org/webinars/

California Revealed

California Revealed previews an upcoming funding opportunities for work with historical records, images, and outreach. For more information, visit www.californiarevealed.org and https://californiarevealed.org/content/news.

Cataloging California: Description Assistance
Application due: Friday, December 3, 2021 https://californiarevealed.org/describe

Our Collections, Our Communities: Outreach Assistance
Application due: Friday, December 3, 2021 https://californiarevealed.org/community-outreach