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State Library News

The Library Development Services Bureau has hired a new Library Programs Consultant to work primarily on our statewide Lunch at the Library program. Her name is Rachel Tucker. We look forward to introducing her to you soon.

LSTA News: This is a reminder about the federal government's transition from the use of the D-U-N-S Number to the use of the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). D-U-N-S numbers are no longer in use. Current federal award recipients and all future applicants/recipients will need to have an active UEI to be eligible to receive or continue to receive federal award funds. To register and/or for more information, please visit [SAM.gov | Entity Registrations](https://sam.gov). If you have questions regarding this, please contact LSTAGrants@library.ca.gov.

Open Opportunities

Visit the [grants page](#) of the California State Library website for a listing and timetable of new and upcoming funding opportunities and statewide resources available.

[LSTA Local and Collaborative 2023/2024 – Due March 28, 2023](#)

The opportunity is now open! 2023-2024 Local and Collaborative Grants help California's libraries respond effectively to local needs and align services with local community aspirations; support experimentation and research and development in California's libraries; and provide training and support in grant writing and grant management for the California library community. The funding period is July 2023 – June 2024.

Visit the LSTA Local & Collaborative [grants page](#) to learn more. Please email lstagrants@library.ca.gov with any questions.

[California Library Literacy Services – \(1\) ESL funding applications for current CLLS programs due March 15, 2023. \(2\) Round 3 ESL funding applications for CLLS libraries due March 15, 2023. \(3\) Applications to join CLLS due April 3, 2023.](#)

There are currently three funding opportunities open.

(1) For current CLLS programs that have received state CLLS ESL funding (in Rounds 1, 2, or 2.5), the renewal application for 2023/2024 through 2025/2026 is due March 15, 2023, in the Counting Opinions portal. The award will provide three years of support.

(2) For current CLLS libraries that have NOT received CLLS ESL funding to date, the final round of ESL applications for new participants will open in early 2023 for funding that starts July 1, 2023, and runs through June 30, 2026. The award will provide three years of support. The application is due March 15, 2023, in the Counting Opinions portal.

(3) Libraries that do not currently participate in CLLS but are interested in joining this ongoing service may apply to join CLLS. Applications are due April 3, 2023, in the Submittable portal. An

[information session](#) will take place Friday, February 10, at 11 a.m. For additional information, visit <https://libraryliteracy.org/for-coordinators/reporting-state-funding/> or request an individual appointment through cls@library.ca.gov. State of CA funded.

For CLLS and Literacy Initiatives questions, please contact cls@library.ca.gov.

California Library Connect – Rolling Due Date

The [California Library Connect Program](#) is now accepting applications. Libraries may apply for grants to cover eligible IT/network infrastructure equipment and expenses, as well as the first-year costs of upgrading or installing a new high speed Internet circuit. This program also supports California public libraries by connecting them to high-speed internet through the California Research and Education Network (CalREN) — a high-capacity public-sector broadband network. We have also launched the California Collaborative Connectivity Grant, a separate grant opportunity that provides gap funding for libraries and partner anchor institutions to construct broadband circuits to connect underserved communities. State of CA funded.

For California Library Connect questions, please contact us at admin@californialibraryconnect.com, the California Library Connect Grants Coordinator email grants@californialibraryconnect.com or through our help line at 213-297-0109 (Monday-Friday, 7:00AM-3:00PM PST).

Upcoming Opportunities

[Building Forward Infrastructure Funding for California Libraries](#)

We are currently preparing Round Two of the Building Forward Infrastructure Program. This opportunity will open in the first quarter of 2023. With new funding provided by the legislature, the State Library has approximately \$174 million dollars left to award.

For Building Forward questions, please email buildingforward@library.ca.gov.

[Zip Books](#)

The Zip Books 23/24 program application period will open in April 2023.

For Zip Books questions, please email zipbooks@library.ca.gov.

Current Projects and Services

California Library Literacy Services Training - Ongoing

CLLS networking calls and trainings through the Literacy Initiatives grant continue on a regular basis. Upcoming training sessions will help libraries prepare for AmeriCorps, family literacy, new ESL services and more. Please visit the new CLLS training and meeting [calendar](#)! LSTA funded.

California Libraries Learn (CALL) - Ongoing

CALL presents on-the-ground training across California in April on Managing Patron Challenges. Registration is now open for half-day regional trainings in Davis, San Leandro, Long Beach, and Riverside. Have a good idea? CALL Homegrown features learning opportunities suggested and designed by California library staff; anyone can complete the [CALL for Presentations](#)! Plan 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 learning continue throughout the year. CALL has its own newsletter, *CALL Letters*, and users can [subscribe](#) directly for up-to-date information on staff professional development needs. Encourage your staff members to [create a login](#) to access the many online, self-paced learning opportunities available through [CALL Academy](#). LSTA funded.

CopyCat Grants

For 2022/23 [CopyCat Grants](#) the 2nd Quarter Financial Report (for grant expenditures from Jan-Mar 2023) and Mid Project Program Narrative Report (for activities conducted beginning of the grant period to 3/31/2023) are due to the State Library **by April 15, 2023**. For Grant Guide information and to submit reports, please visit [Manage Your Current Grant - California State Library](#). For CopyCat questions, email LSTAGrants@library.ca.gov LSTA funded.

Get Connected! California/Affordable Connectivity Program - Ongoing

All California Libraries are invited to participate in the Get Connected! Initiative. Get Connected! promotes the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) which provides a monthly discount of up to \$30 off home internet to qualifying families. Libraries are encouraged to host enrollment events, with the support of CETF and Get Connected! These enrollment events will support eligible families interested in applying for ACP, answer questions about the ACP benefit, and provide hands-on assistance with the application. Patrons will be encouraged to bring the required documents to apply. To participate in an enrollment event and learn how you can help your patrons Get Connected! please visit <https://forms.gle/k6YiHeH8Suwhvxy97>. For more information on ACP please visit: www.internetforallnow.org/applytoday. State of CA funded.

Networking California Library Resources

We are delighted to share news about [CalMatters for Learning](#), a free nonpartisan resource platform, brought to you by the California State Library and CalMatters. At the beginning of each month through June 2023, you will find a new package of resources to help library staff develop programs, guide conversations and build other activities at your branch. Resources will be available in English and Spanish. The resource center includes interactive tools, videos, audio

features and explanations. All libraries are encouraged to integrate the resource into their programs and events. For questions or to provide feedback on the resource, contact anaclara@calmatters.org LSTA-funded.

Tutoring Project – Ongoing

Every internet connected Californian is now able to access live, 24/7 online tutoring and homework help in all K-12 subjects. The passing of [AB 128](#) by the California State Legislature enabled the California State Library to partner with the Pacific Library Partnership in bringing this service to all CA Public Libraries. All California public libraries are able to offer Brainfuse's online tutoring and homework assistance service, HelpNow, to their users for two years at no cost. Every California student, with or without a library card, has access to 24/7 online tutoring in core K-12 subjects. Spanish language tutors will be available as well as tutors fluent in Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, and Tagalog.

[See here for Full details on the Statewide tutoring project.](#) State of CA funded.

For Online Tutoring questions, email catutoring@library.ca.gov.

Zip Books

Zip Books allows users to have library items purchased and directly shipped to their home address. Program information can be found at [Zip Books Program - California State Library](#). The Mid-Project Narrative and Financial Reports are due by **4/30/2023**. State of CA funded. For Zip Books questions, please contact us at ZipBooks@library.ca.gov.

Networking and Training

Career Pathways Webinars for 2023

Register for upcoming webinars by clicking the links below or visiting the [CAreer Pathways Staff Resource page](#), where you can also find platform details, administration, marketing materials and more.

- [CAreer Pathways Resources for Agriculture, Climate, and Infrastructure Jobs with Stanislaus County Library - Wednesday, March 22, 2023, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm](#)
Join us to learn more about Stanislaus County Library and their key partnerships with Workforce Development and LearningQuest (literacy), both of which were instrumental in driving traffic to their CAreer Pathways resources page. They will share promotional materials, including a commercial that ran on social media. The webinar will also feature resources across all platforms that focus on the high-need, high-growth industries of Agriculture, Climate and Infrastructure. Workforce development and related community partners and library staff of all levels are invited to attend.
- [CAreer Pathways: Best Practices for the Literacy Community](#)
Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

New to the library or not sure which platforms your library offers? Check out the [CAreer Pathways Services Locator map](#). Archived webinars are available (for California library staff) on the [CALL Academy CAreer Pathways channel](#).

CAreer Pathways is State of CA funded. Questions? CAPathways@library.ca.gov

[Directors Networking Conversations 2023](#)

Networking conversations for library directors continue and an invitation to participate is sent out on the directors' listserv as dates are scheduled. Directors can register for the March 2023 Directors Networking call below. LSTA funded.

What: March 2023 Directors Networking Call

When: **Mar 15, 2023 3:30-4:30 PM** Pacific Time

Register in advance for this meeting at

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclcOuopzgrHtYULJe58rUcvPZnyJlq8Q4l>

[Online Tutoring Training 2023](#)

The statewide online tutoring project has trainings available for you or your staff. Please take a look at the full training calendar on [our tutoring page](#) for more information. Upcoming trainings include:

- [HelpNow: Test Prep Resources](#) March 9th, 3 PM
- [HelpNow: Summer Services Pitch](#) May 3rd, 10:30 AM

[Recording of Feb 1 eBooks for All Summit](#)

The statewide eBooks for All Summit was on February 1st. A video of the summit is available for library workers to view as their schedule allows. The timestamps below may be helpful for particular segments (times are hour.minute.second):

[Full Video](#)

- Panel on eBooks for All in other states, moderated by State Librarian Greg Lucas: start – 0.2.42; end – 0.55:06
- Lyris on using the data tools from Lyris for collection development: start – 1.03.43; end – 2.18.26
- Collection Development grant session: start – 4.32.33; end 5.02.10
- Keynote with Professor Rebecca Giblin introduced by John Bracken: start – 5.13.26; end 5.57.02

Get Connected California Events April 22: Host Sites Needed

Get Connected! California mobilization is underway to expand broadband access for Californians. On Saturday, April 22, organizations across the state are hosting enrollment assistance events to be sure that every eligible student and family is aware of and enrolled in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). More than 4 million California households are eligible for discount broadband services but are not yet enrolled.

If you can help by hosting an enrollment event on April 22 or by promoting ACP enrollment in your community, [please sign up here](#).

Please help spread the word about ACP and the benefits for households in your area. A Digital Inclusion flier in English and Spanish to help households enroll is available at this [link](#).

Please share this information with your colleagues and local partners. For more information on ACP enrollment, visit the [Internet For All Now](#) website.

Let's get California connected!

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