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State Library News

LDS Newsletter

Please sign up today for our new [newsletter!](#) Please share this with your teams as well.

Broadband Program News

The California State Library has selected the Imperial County Office of Education as the new Broadband Access Administrator, tasked with connecting public libraries to the California Research and Education Network (CalREN, managed by the CENIC Corporation). For those who were unable to attend our webinar on the transition, you may view the recording and slides by following the links below:

[Click here for the presentation slides.](#)

[Click here for a recording of the webinar.](#) If you are asked for a passcode, it is: ^f*a9=ef

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](#). If you have questions regarding this, please contact LSTAGrants@library.ca.gov.

Open Opportunities

First Partner—Book to Action

In partnership with the California State Library and the Office of the First Partner of California, the California Library Association invites California public libraries to apply for up to \$5,000 to support Book to Action programming. Book to Action expands book clubs by encouraging participants to take part in community engagement activities related to a shared book. This year, Book to Action is connected to the [First Partner's Summer Book Club](#).

Visit the [opportunity page](#) for additional details and to apply. Applications are due **Friday, May 24, 2024 at 12:00 noon**. Please email BEBS@cla-net.org with any questions.

Groundwork Grants

The California State Library, in partnership with Myriad Consulting & Training, is happy to share exciting news that over \$1 million in funding is available for cultural heritage emergency preparedness projects in California. Funded by the state of California, this [grant opportunity](#) is open on a rolling basis until May 31, 2024.

Grant Highlights:

- **Goals:** To provide funds and resources to California institutions with collections, prioritizing those that document underrepresented and historically excluded communities.
- **Scope:** A California-wide initiative to strengthen emergency readiness for institutions with collections of all types.
- **Awards:** Maximum award amount of \$15,000, with options for emergency preparedness support.

How to Apply:

Application guidelines are available at <https://www.groundworkgrants.org/>. Applicants are *strongly encouraged* to receive a free [Ready - or Not assessment](#) before applying. For more information about the grant opportunity, check out the [introductory webinar and sample applications](#). For questions, contact Grace Bautista at grace@myriadconsultants.org.

As natural disasters continue to threaten California’s cultural heritage, we hope you’ll join us in safeguarding your collections and communities through this extraordinary opportunity.

Career Online High School

The [Career Online High School](#) (COHS) program is open to all public libraries in the state and **no longer requires libraries to provide a local cash match commitment to participate**. Libraries may opt into the COHS program at any time using the [COHS Interest Form](#), and will receive training and implementation support, have access to the California State Library's universal scholarship supply, and complete a short mid-year and end-of-year report. COHS questions can be sent to cohs@library.ca.gov

Community-Centered Libraries

The [Community-Centered Libraries initiative](#) includes [free PolicyMap accounts](#) for all California public library staff. The online mapping tool, which includes library jurisdiction boundaries, enables users to view rich data about the communities in your service areas. [View a recording of the initial training session](#) and [request an account today!](#) LSTA funded.

Current Projects and Services

California Library Literacy Services – Ongoing

The 2024-2025 CLLS funding application (state funded) for currently participating programs opened in April and is due **May 30, 2024**. All CLLS libraries have received their projected award amounts for adult literacy and family literacy. There is a new block grant model that applies **ONLY** for programs offering family literacy; these programs receive a single projected adult and family literacy award amount and programs may allocate these funds between programs within given parameters (a minimum of 51% for adult literacy services and 26% for family literacy

services). ESL award letters have already been sent. For more information, contact cls@library.ca.gov.

The Literacy Initiatives project (LSTA funded) is offering virtual tutor training on a statewide basis this summer. Any volunteer awaiting training at their local CLLS program may sign up for this 16-hour series, offered twice in June and once in August. Contact cls@library.ca.gov for more information. Funding is available for learner and learner-led events, including trainings, meetings, and conferences. Events must be completed by August 30, 2024. There is a short application for programs and learner leaders to complete. Questions? Contact cls@library.ca.gov. Please visit the CLLS training and meeting [calendar](#). The CLLS website has migrated to the California State Library: <https://www.library.ca.gov/services/to-libraries/cls/>. The next CLLS Coordinator/Staff Networking Call is cancelled for May because of the all-CLLS conference May 21-23 and will return on June 12. For more information, contact cls@library.ca.gov.

California Libraries Learn (CALL) - Ongoing

Plan your professional development by visiting www.callacademy.org and the CALL [calendar](#) to explore the options. Look at the CALL [blog](#) for relevant training on grant writing, co-design, and other high-interest topics. Any library worker may subscribe to the [Leadership for All monthly mailings](#). CALL has its own newsletter, *CALL Letters*, and users may [subscribe](#) directly. CALL also launched a printable schedule for libraries to distribute to staff without newsletter access. Have a good idea? CALL Homegrown features learning opportunities suggested and designed by California library staff; anyone can complete the [CALL for Presentations](#). Staff-generated programs that address issues of concern to bilingual, bicultural audiences and staff are of particular interest and will be co-branded with the Seguimos Creando Enlaces project. Encourage your staff members to [create a login](#) to access the many online, self-paced learning opportunities available through [CALL Academy](#). 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.

Parks Pass Program – Ongoing

Cindy Zalog, the full-time Parks Pass manager, can be reached at cindy.zalog@library.ca.gov for all questions, ideas, and feedback. For grant support after June 11, 2024, please contact Michelle Killian at michelle.killian@library.ca.gov.

A [toolkit](#) is available to support marketing, circulation, programming, and more. It has been updated to make the information cleaner and more accessible. The public can access information on the State Parks Pass at checkoutcastateparks.com.

If you need more parks passes, bookmarks, or survey flyers, [please fill out the new order form from State Parks](#). For any questions, email parkspass@library.ca.gov. State of CA funded.

Public Library Staff Education Program

The [California Public Library Staff Education Program](#), developed in partnership with the Southern California Library Cooperative, received 209 student applications for the 2023-24 year! Thank you to all library staff who applied. A pilot mentorship program is being created. For any questions, email wwalker@socallibraries.org LSTA funded.

PebbleGo Science: Early Literacy in STEM - Ongoing

The PebbleGo Science resource provides age-appropriate content (for ages preschool through second grade) and interactive activities in STEM subjects (science, math, technology and engineering), and is available in both English and Spanish. The resource also includes a collection of 25 interactive eBooks in both languages as well.

Fill out the [form](#) on the [PebbleGo California site](#) to be sent information on how to connect to your Integrated Library System. The setup form is created for the school library environment, but if you fill it out, it will open a ticket with Capstone and a technician will get in touch with your library to walk you through the authentication process.

Ready or Not

The [“Ready – Or Not” Cultural Heritage Disaster Preparedness Project](#) team invites California-based cultural heritage organizations to view information sessions tailored to organizations just getting started on their disaster plan, community archives, organizations with limited resources, remote and rural museums, tribal cultural heritage organizations, and public libraries. These half-hour online information sessions summarize the state-funded project and explore ways to engage in emergency preparedness consultations. Recordings can be viewed at ["Ready – Or Not": Cultural Heritage Disaster Preparedness Project](#). If you have additional questions, reach out to the team at CAready@nedcc.org. State of CA funded.

Networking and Training

Student Success Library Cards for All Listening Sessions: May 2024

The California State Library is convening a series of nine one-hour listening sessions on Zoom to discuss the Student Success Cards for All program. These sessions will bring library leaders together to talk about the Student Success initiative and allow the State Library to gather feedback about local programs. Attendees will be encouraged to ask questions. A library leader with a current successful program will share information at each meeting.

The Student Success initiative comes from new California legislation – [SB 321 \(Ashby\)](#) – that helps get Student Success cards into the hands of every California kid who wants one.

At least one representative from each of the 186 library jurisdictions should attend a session. The results of these listening sessions will inform the resources on the State Library webpage and will help serve as a foundation for program planning in the 2024-2025 school year and beyond.

If you or your designee(s) cannot attend your scheduled meeting time, please contact Alexis Lacroix at Pacific Library Partnership at lacroix@plporg.info with one preferred alternate date. Please see the schedule below.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Cooperative System</u>
Tuesday	5/14/2024	1:00 p.m.	SJVLS
Wednesday	5/15/2024	10:00 a.m.	Serra
Thursday	5/16/2024	10:00 a.m.	Black Gold
Tuesday	5/21/2024	10:00 a.m.	Inland
Wednesday	5/22/2024	10:00 a.m.	Santiago
Thursday	5/23/2024	10:00 a.m.	SCLC
Tuesday	5/28/2024	10:00 a.m.	NorthNet
Wednesday	5/29/2024	10:00 a.m.	PLP
Thursday	5/30/2024	10:00 a.m.	49-99 & Unaffiliated

Building Equity-Based Summers Learning Series

A monthly Community of Practice is available to all library staff to learn more about creating summer services that are centered in equity and community involvement. Please use this link to [register for the next Community of Practice](#).

For information on the Building Equity Based Summers Project please visit: [Building Equity-Based Summers - California State Library](#) or email bebs@cla-net.org

[Career Pathways Workforce & Upskilling Resources: 2024 Webinars & Resources](#)

The 2024 CAREer Pathways webinar series is now complete for Spring 2024. Learn more about the online resources on the [CAREer Pathways Staff Resource page](#), where you can find platform details, administration, marketing materials and more. Library staff can also [view the archived webinars on the CALL Academy CAREer Pathways channel](#). New to the library or not sure which platforms your library offers? Check out the [CAREer Pathways Services Locator map](#).

The January budget does not include funds to continue CAREer Pathways in the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2024. The January budget is a proposed budget, and the spending plan proposed in January isn't the budget that will be signed by the Legislature, or the one signed by the governor, six months from now. However, at this time, this program is not included for funding in the state budget and is scheduled to conclude September 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact: CAPathways@library.ca.gov or see the [CAREer Pathways Staff Resources page](#).

[Online Tutoring Training 2024](#)

Summer Service and Keeping Students Going Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 3:30–4:30 pm

The school year is coming to a close, but HelpNow is still available to support student learning. Join us to learn about HelpNow resources that can help students continue learning and beat the summer slide.

This webinar is for all library workers and educators, from frontline staff to administrators. The webinar will be recorded for future viewing.

[Register in advance for the Summer Service webinar](#)

[2024 Sustainability Summit: May 21, 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon – Registration Open Now!](#)

Join libraries across California and their community partners to share best practices from the current #SustainableCALibraries projects and beyond. Open to anyone who works in California libraries and anyone who partners with California libraries. Join us for a morning of shared solutions and inspiration for climate action!

- [View the 2024 Sustainability Summit Program](#)
 - Welcome, 9:00–9:10 am
 - **Anythink Nature Library**, Maria Mayo-Peaseley, 9:10–9:30 am
 - U-Tool-izing the Library, Benicia Public Library, Jennifer Baker, 9:30–9:45 am
 - Revisiting Azusa's Past, Azusa City Library, Leila Hassen and Nathan Nunez, 9:45–10:00 am
 - **Sustainable Living with BPL**, Burlingame Public Library, Jodi Jirsa, 10:10–10:25 am
 - **Sustainably Santa Barbara**, Santa Barbara Public Library, Kim Crail, 10:25–10:40 am

- Have you Heard the News? Earbud Recycling! County of San Luis Obispo Public Libraries, Dorothy Gruett and Melanie Bales, 10:40–10:55 am
- Sowing South Pasadena, South Pasadena Public Library, Alexis Mendoza and Olivia Radbill, 11:05–11:20 am
- Update on Climate and Sustainability Action Guide for California Libraries, Alliance for Library Impact, Cindy Fesemyer, 11:20–11:40 am
- [Register for the 2024 Sustainability Summit](#)

Community-Centered Libraries

A yearlong initiative brought to you by the California State Library and Pacific Library Partnership, the statewide initiative offers tools and training to help libraries center their communities as the plan and evaluate library programs and services. All recordings of the two webinar series, Equitable Data Practices and Culturally-Relevant Evaluation, are available on the [Community-Centered Libraries webinar page](#). LSTA funded.

Next Directors Networking Call

The next Public Library Directors Networking Call is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 15, 2024, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.** We look forward to hearing from our special guests, sharing State Library news, and having time for open discussion in small groups. California public library directors will receive an invitation to the Zoom meeting via email in early May.

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