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MISSION

The Idaho Commission for Libraries (ICfL) assists libraries to build the capacity to best serve their communities.

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ICfL's Services & Programs

provided to Idaho libraries

Accessible Services / Creative Aging / TBS

Resources for library staff who serve patrons unable to access information in traditional ways. There is support to reach and engage infrequent library users and facilitate social connections, such as through the creative aging grant. Also, support for the the Idaho Talking Book Service (TBS), which is a free, convenient audiobook library service for Idahoans unable to read standard print. Contact: LeAnn Gelskey -- LeAnn.Gelskey@libraries.idaho.gov

Bilingual / Bicultural Services

Consulting services to help library staff effectively serve and work with the Latine community in a culturally respectful way. The coordinator can advise on library-created materials or programming. Contact: Ismael Mendoza Medina -- Ismael.Mendoza@libraries.idaho.gov

Digital Resources / Workforce Development

Consulting support and resources for libraries focused on expanding digital skills and strengthening the workforce. The ICfL provides tools for libraries, including Digital Resources, Idaho Digital Skills, Telehealth in Libraries, the Statewide Job Fair, newsletters, and online chats. Contact: Chelsea Summerlin -- Chelsea.Summerlin@libraries.idaho.gov

Idaho Digital E-Book Alliance (IDEA)

Through IDEA, nearly 20,000 high-quality e-book and e-audio titles are available at no cost to Idaho's public and school libraries. The fiction and nonfiction titles are available 24/7 with content that is geared for K-12 students. Contact: Marina Rose -- Marina.Rose@libraries.idaho.gov

Let's Talk About It (LTAI)

LTAI brings together humanities scholars and adult readers in public libraries to read and discuss literature that explores American values, history, culture, and more.

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Libraries Linking Idaho (LiLI)

Through LiLI, <https://lili.org>, Idahoans have free, 24/7 access to online learning and research tools.

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Outreach & Family Engagement

Consulting services, resources, support materials, and staff training related to special populations, underserved groups, and library outreach programming, including Library Outreach to Children and Indigenous Idaho. Contact: Kristina Taylor -- kristina.taylor@libraries.idaho.gov

Public Libraries

Consulting services for library staff and trustees as related to the gamut of components, issues, and opportunities involved in library operations, including board development and orientation, library law, open meeting law, trustee issues, policy formation, best practices, and strategic planning. The public library consultant is also available to answer questions, assist in finding resources, and being that much-needed sounding board. Also, collects and manages the annual Idaho public library statistics. Contact: Clay Ritter -- clay.ritter@libraries.idaho.gov

Read to Me (RTM) Programs

RTM programs provide information, training, technical assistance, and resources for library staff to support families of young children and help nurture children's early literacy skills so they develop as independent readers. My First Books is a RTM initiative that supports children from birth to kindergarten who are unlikely to have many books in their homes or have a library card. Contact: Staci Shaw -- staci.shaw@libraries.idaho.gov

School Libraries

The ICfL supports school library staff in their efforts to develop effective and innovative school library programs through training, grants, and resources. The school librarian is one of the few people in a school who has contact with every student and teacher. Contact: Jeannie Standal -- Jeannie.Standal@libraries.idaho.gov

Technology Consulting

Consulting services to assist with E-Rate, EOR, technology refreshes and planning, network security, software, and other library technology issues and questions. Contact: Doug Baker -- doug.baker@libraries.idaho.gov

Tweens & Teens

Consulting and access to high-quality professional development and resources for library staff who serve tweens and teens. Contact: Jennifer Redford -- jennifer.redford@libraries.idaho.gov

Other Services -- <https://libraries.idaho.gov/about/staff>

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Digital Skills Resources -- <https://idahodigitalskills.org>

ICfL Market -- promotional / support materials -- <https://materials.lili.org>

Publications -- <https://libraries.idaho.gov/publications>