

Job Opening at the State Library

Join our team of dedicated professionals at the State Library, where we provide pathways to information and innovation by making connections, strengthening communities, and enriching lives!

We offer a rewarding work environment, career development opportunities, and an excellent benefits package, including a fully paid family health insurance plan, flexible spending accounts, paid vacation and sick leave, retirement plan, 457 deferred compensation plan, and voluntary insurance benefits, including dental, vision and life insurance.

POSITION: Fiscal and Administrative Services Division Director

HIRING SALARY RANGE: \$5,500 - \$6,000: dependent on experience

CLOSING DATE TO APPLY: May 3, 2021

For more information and to apply, check out our [Employment and Volunteering webpage](#).

Libraries and Summer Food

Why Partnerships? A summer food program is an outstanding opportunity to connect with other community entities toward the shared goal of improved child and community well-being. By building or joining a coalition of partners (formal or informal), ...

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www.csipreads.org



Little Free Library Week

Participate in Little Free Library Week by sending a photo of your Little Free Library (you or your library must own the LFL, and it should have a charter number) to the Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services (ABOS) before **April 23**.

ABOS is holding a week-long event featuring your Little Free Libraries May 3-7.

Watch for more ways to take part and win prizes soon!

Use this [form](#) to enter your Little Free Library's photo.

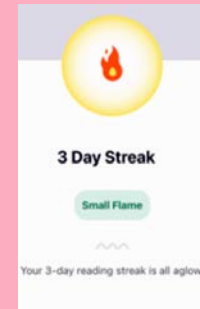
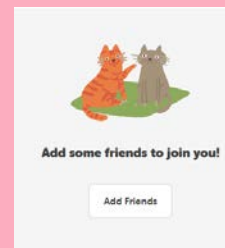
Follow Little Free Library Week on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

New Beanstack Features

Beanstack has rolled out a couple of new features that you want to be aware of before Summer Reading starts. The first is the "friends" feature. You can send your friends a code, so you see each other's reading logs, challenge histories, and earned badges, as well as compete on their leaderboards. Bragging rights are up to you!

The second feature is reading streaks. With Beanstack's streaks features, readers can track and grow their daily reading habits as well as receive motivating messages to maintain their streaks. Each consecutive day that readers log reading—whether they log minutes, pages, books, or days—adds a day to their reading streak. No minimum must be met for a day's reading to count toward a streak; even five minutes a day helps keep a reading streak alive!

If you have any questions, please contact Shari at ssandwick@nd.gov or 701-328-4663.



ND Library Marketing Group Meeting

The ND Library Marketing Group will be meeting the first Thursday of each month at 2:00 PM CT. The next meeting will take place on May 6, and the discussion will be on prioritizing platforms and topics. We all have so much going on - what should take priority?

The topic for the June meeting will be decided at the May meeting. If you would like to join this group, please send an e-mail to ndslpa@nd.gov or fill out this [form](#). The recording will be made available to those who fill out the form.

North Dakota Libraries / Librarians in the News



Fargo, Moorhead, West Fargo libraries select 2021 One...

FARGO - In partnership with the Fargo, Moorhead and West Fargo public libraries, Concordia College's Carl B. Ylvisaker Library, Minnesota State University Moorhead's Livingston Lord Library, North Dakota State University Libraries and the Histori...

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www.inforum.com



Susanne Caro Receives GODORT Research Grant

Susanne Caro, Government Information Librarian, Main Library, North Dakota State University, is the recipient of the NewsBank/Readex/GODORT/ALA Catharine J. Reynolds Research Grant. The committee believes Susanne's research proposal will make a substantial contribution to the field.

As many libraries have extensive microform collections, identifying deterioration is vital to prioritizing digitization. Having a more accurate means of identifying at-risk items not only helps with this but can also prevent the premature discarding of items as well. This research project will be of great value to the library community as a whole, not only government documents. We are proud to present Susanne with this grant to further this valuable research.

Congratulations, Susanne!

Carrington City Library Receives ALA Grant

The American Library Association (ALA) has announced 517 libraries to receive grants through Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small & Rural Libraries. Eligibility was limited to communities with populations less than 25,000 in accordance with Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) definitions.

The Carrington City Library will receive online staff training in how to lead conversations, the skills vital to 21st-century librarianship, and \$3,000 to support their proposed community engagement work. Community engagement is the process of working collaboratively with community members — library users, residents, faculty, students, or partner organizations — to address issues for the betterment of the community.

Congratulations, Michele and the Carrington City Library!

New Library Science Books Available at the North Dakota State Library

[Going virtual: programs and insights from a time of crisis](#) / Sarah Ostman

This book explores virtual programs created by library workers during the pandemic and also shares a handful of analog programs developed to serve communities using deliveries, take-home kits, window displays, and socially distanced interactions.



[School libraries matter: views from the research](#) / Mirah J. Dow, editor

While serving on the AASL legislation committee, Mirah Dow recognized the urgent need to utilize research-based evidence to prove school librarians are much more than an educational luxury. This collection is the result. It brings together school library research studies and findings from the past decade and draws connections to how they can be applied to situations and questions that occur in practice. Taken as a whole, the research underscores that state-licensed, school librarians are a necessity for 21st-century students.



[Introducing RDA: a guide to the basics after 3R](#) / Chris Oliver

Reflecting the changes to RDA: Resource Description and Access after the completion of the 3R Project, Oliver brings her Special Report up to date. This essential primer provides an overview of the latest developments, focusing on the impact of the 3R Project, the results of aligning RDA with IFLA's Library Reference Model (LRM), and the outcomes of internationalization.



Other News, Webinars, and Grant Opportunities:



USDA Issues Pandemic Flexibilities for Schools and Day Care

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today issued a broad range of flexibilities to allow school meal programs and childcare institutions across the country to return to serving healthy meals in fall 2021 as part of the ...

[Read more
www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov)

Free Webinar: Teaching STEM/STEAM with Graphic Novels

Join us on Thursday, April 29th at 5 pm CDT for this free webinar where our panel of experienced educators and librarians will share insights on their discovery process and results from using graphic novels to teach STEAM programs...

[Read more
zoom.us](https://zoom.us)



Free Webinar: Pages Against Prejudice

Get tips on how to evaluate your existing collection: identify additional titles, organize displays, and design programming and more. Racism is still an issue in our country; and, COVID-19 related discrimination reconfirms that any race can be...

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pciwebinars.com](http://pciwebinars.com)



Webinar: Prioritizing & Promoting Self-Care to Avoid Burnout

Are you prioritizing your own needs in your workday? Ever-increasing and evolving demands for library services, heavy workloads, and multiple requests from the public can create an environment for staff burnout. While some stressors are ...

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www.webjunction.org](http://www.webjunction.org)



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Facilitating Creative Learning Online Course

The PLIX team enthusiastically invites you to our first-ever Facilitating Creative Learning Online Course. With these four weeks of interactive professional development, you'll gain the skills and confidence to start facilitating creative STEAM...

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Youth Literacy Grants

Schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations who help students that are below grade level or having trouble reading are eligible to apply. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas: Implementing new or expanding existing...

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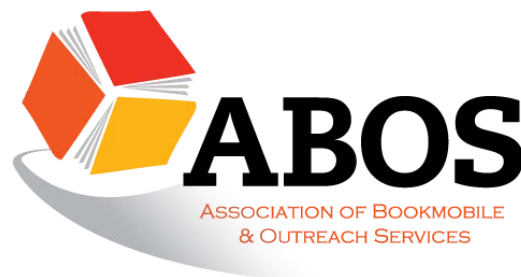
Free Webinar: Introducing Outdoor School

Amidst a global pandemic that has forced the world indoors and online, many young readers are unable to experience outdoor learning. And with summer just around the corner, it's critical now, more than ever, to help young students embrace the...

Public Relations Award

The John Cotton Dana Award, provided in conjunction with the H.W. Wilson Foundation, the American Library Association and EBSCO, honors outstanding library public relations, whether a summer reading program, a year-long centennial celebration ...

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www.ebsco.com



ABOS Awards & Scholarships

ABOS sponsors ten awards: All award nominations open April 1, 2021. Submissions are due July 16, 2021, at 5 pm CST. Bernard Vavrek Scholarship, Book Bike Community Impact Award, Innovation in Outreach Programming Award, John Philip Excellence in ...

[Read more](#)
abos-outreach.com

Native American Library Services: Enhancement Grants

This program is designed to assist Native American tribes in improving core library services for their communities. Reflecting IMLS's agency-level goals of championing lifelong learning, strengthening community engagement, and advancing collection...

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www.imls.gov

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ala-events.zoom.us

Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award

The Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award for Exemplary Humanities Programming recognizes excellence in humanities programming in libraries that serve children in grades K-8. The \$5,000 award, presented annually by the American Library...

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www.ala.org



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