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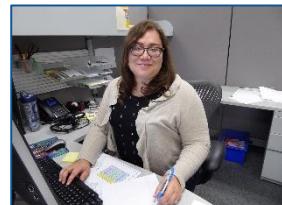


The Division of Library and Information Services' Bureau of Library Development (BLD) supports the establishment, expansion and improvement of public library service in Florida, within the context of the larger library community, by working proactively with library staff, governing officials, trustees and community supporters. The Bureau provides leadership training, grant funding and technical assistance to Florida libraries; promotes advocacy and cooperation among all types of libraries; supports continuing education and staff development activities; and plans and implements a dynamic program of statewide development.

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The Bureau assists Florida public libraries in providing technology services to their communities and in obtaining E-Rate telecommunications discounts. Libraries request funding for services in four categories: telecommunications, Internet access, internal connections, and basic maintenance of internal connections. Eligible schools, school districts and libraries may apply individually or as part of a consortium.



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The Florida Electronic Library (FEL) provides Florida residents free access to virtual library resources. This includes online magazines, journals, newspapers and reference books; live chat with librarians through *Ask a Librarian*; digital collections of historical Florida images and documents; and a statewide courier service.

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The Bureau provides continuing education for libraries by offering local, regional and statewide training to Florida library staff and supporters, both online and in person. Brendon Guilliams serves as the Bureau's Continuing Education coordinator.



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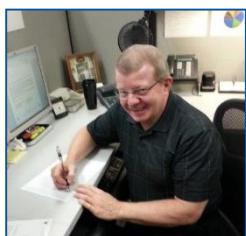
The *Florida Library Youth Program* is a collaborative partnership between the Bureau and youth services staff in public libraries statewide. The program's mission is to provide information and resources to promote services and programs in public libraries to infants, children, teens and families.

Leadership and Recruitment – Jill Canono
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The Bureau's statewide approach to leadership helps library staff provide the highest quality services to Florida's citizens in an effective and innovative manner that meets today's needs and tomorrow's challenges. The leadership program's three components are the Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute, the Annual Public Library Directors' Meeting and the *Florida Library Jobs* website.



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The Bureau administers the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) federal grant program for Florida. LSTA is the major federal grant program for libraries in the United States. Florida's grant program is based on the purposes of LSTA and the needs of Florida residents and libraries.

The Library Cooperative Grant program supports the multitype library cooperatives' facilitation of library resource sharing between Florida libraries.

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The Bureau administers the State Aid to Libraries Grant Program to help libraries meet the needs of their patrons and community. Chapter 257, *Florida Statutes* authorizes three types of grants under the State Aid to Libraries Program: Operating, Equalization and Multicounty.

Library Construction Grants help local governments construct new public library facilities and expand or renovate existing buildings.



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The Bureau provides information and support to directors and managers on library development issues, including administration, legal and governance issues, long-range planning, and working with library boards and supporters. BLD's program for new public library directors lends guidance and support to those transitioning into new roles.

With respect to adult literacy, the Bureau offers consultation and technical assistance for public library staff, volunteers, and adult education partners to encourage best practices. Assistance includes helping libraries plan and implement educational programs for adults to improve their literacy or English proficiency, and to earn their high school diplomas.

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The Bureau's statistics program provides information and assistance to Florida's libraries on effective data collection and use. Florida public library data is gathered, compiled, published and submitted to the federal government. Also gathered and reported are multitype library cooperative, State Library Agency and academic library data.



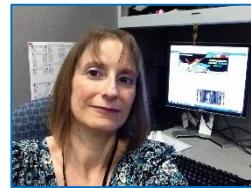
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E-Government services rank high on the list of needs for public library patrons, with librarians reporting an increase in questions about Internet access for job searches and access to government information. The Bureau supports this need through consultation and technical assistance to public library administrators and staff, governing officials, library board members and citizen supporters to encourage best practices with respect to E-Government.

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The Bureau's *Florida Libraries as...* campaign creates opportunities for library staff to learn and share ideas to improve, expand and publicize their library's offerings. *Stars in the Sunshine State* highlights projects, awards and achievements at Florida's libraries. Library staff can use these to brainstorm ideas or find planning tips and pitfalls to avoid for similar projects.



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