Florida's Multitype Library Cooperatives

Helping libraries innovate & serve!

Floridians and Florida libraries are served by 5 regional multitype library cooperatives (MLC's) that by promoting resource sharing among libraries and provide invaluable training opportunities to help library staff innovate in today's rapidly changing world of technology, information and library services. The MLC's are funded by member dues, sale of services, state Library Cooperative Grants and federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds granted by the Florida Division of Library and Information Services.

MLCs Help Libraries Help Floridians Statewide...



Floridians Need MLCs...

- ✓ Helping Libraries Innovate These are exciting times as libraries take advantage
 of new technologies and new ways of using information and engaging their
 communities. MLC's are supporting innovation through training, trend spotting, and
 helping libraries take advantage of maker movement, civic engagement, and content
 creation opportunities.
- ✓ **Floridians Are Served by Well Trained Library Staff** MLCs helped libraries innovate by offering 883 face-to-face and online training sessions with over 15,000 library staff participating in 2013-14.
- ✓ Floridians Receive Books & Materials from All Over the State MLCs help connect libraries through statewide interlibrary loan that shared more than 249,794 library items in 2014!

NEFLIN services provide valuable new skills to our staff and volunteers, especially during the recent economic downturn when local budgets were hit hard and staffs were challenged to keep their skills high but their budgets low.
-- Debra Gibson, St. Johns County Public Library System

✓ **Library Books Are Moved Around the State Cheaply** - MLCs coordinate Florida's statewide library delivery service that moved over 365,000 library items in 2014.

- ✓ Florida Library Jobs & Jobs in Florida Libraries These web sites connect Florida libraries with jobs with job seekers. Employers use the sites to post positions and job seekers post resumes and search for positions. In 2014, 1,193 registered employers added 410 new job postings (an 18% increase over the prior year) and conducted 443 views of job seeker resumes. 3,599 registered job seekers conducted 401,115 searches and posted 100 resumes.
- ✓ Reciprocal Borrowing Lets Floridians Check Out Books in Other Communities
 MLCs support agreements allowing residents to use libraries in other communities without charge with over 518,000 items borrowed last year.
- ✓ Floridians Can Find Materials in All Florida Libraries MLCs help libraries add their titles to the Florida Catalog's 20 million items for Floridians to find and borrow.
- ✓ Floridians of All Ages Can Use the Florida Electronic Library 24/7 - MLCs partner with the State Library & Archives of Florida promoting the FEL's rich array of digital resources.

Thank you SEFLIN so much for coming to the Oakland Park Library and providing the training on the Ereaders. The staff joins me in my sending thanks and we were handed a life-line in providing this new service.

- Heidi M. Burnett, Library Manager, City of Oakland Park

Innovative MLC Services!



Thank You for your Support!