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Evergreen Indiana Continues Steady Growth in 2011

Evergreen Indiana is closing out another year of positive growth with 96 public libraries (17% annual increase) live on Evergreen that serve 862,000 Hoosiers (8.5% annual increase). Evergreen Indiana will accept applications from public libraries in 2012. If your library is interested, or would like more information about Evergreen Indiana, visit [libraryevergreen.org](#)

 The recently-passed federal budget bill includes a modest (2.3%) cut in Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds for FY 2012. The budget bill did include the reinstatement of Improving Literacy through School Libraries funding. According to [ALA Connect](#), "After the Indiana State Library manages distribution of LSTA funds according to an [IMLS-approved five-year plan](#) for the funds (also read [this article](#))"

Indiana to Participate in Digital Learning Day on February 1

Indiana is one of 28 states participating in Digital Learning Day - a national awareness campaign that highlights innovative teachers and instructional strategies. Digital Learning Day, sponsored by the [Indiana Department of Education](#) (IDOE), will kick off the state's twenty-nine-day "Web 2.0 Challenge." On each day, teachers will share a digital learning strategy. While sponsored by the IDOE, Digital Learning Day is not just for schools. It also includes libraries, after-school programs, and other groups that utilize technology in the classroom.

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