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Signing of the Indiana State Constitution—1816
Stained-glass mural, Great Hall, Indiana State Library
The Indiana State Library: Open for Exploration
Government and Legislative Services
Services for the Public and Special Populations
Statewide Services for Indiana Libraries
Federal Funding for Indiana’s Libraries
Partnerships, Grants and Collaborations
Questions
Architects: Pierre & Wright
From remarks by IN Governor Harry G. Leslie, October 20, 1932 on the laying of the cornerstone for the Indiana Library & Historical Building.

“This is a state building, not only because it was built, and will be used, by the state, but because it comes almost entirely from the people and from the soil of the state. It is encased in Indiana limestone. It is finished in Indiana walnut, the great hall, is walled in the soft warm coloring of Indiana sandstone. The whole structure will be a standing illustration of the variety of the products of this state, of its self-sufficiency, and the development of both its human and natural resources.”

Pictures: Stairway to the Great Hall (left), Great Hall (right)
Formed in Indiana’s first constitution and established in 1825, Indiana has the 9th oldest state library in the nation.

The State Library was housed in the basement of the Statehouse until the current building was completed in 1934.

Just as the Library of Congress serves as the historical repository for our nation, federal agencies and Congress, the State Library is responsible for collecting and preserving historical and current information about Indiana, state agencies and the General Assembly.

The State Library has the largest collection of Indiana history in the world.

The Genealogy Collection is the 2nd largest in the state and among the 30 largest nationwide.
The State Library offers research, data, and reference services including:

• Research for legislative and policy issues as outlined by the General Assembly and the Governor’s Office

• Compile and analyze demographic and economic statistics from state and federal agencies about unemployment, business activity, environment, health, education, crime, poverty, local government, etc

• Research, locate and share accessible, trustworthy resources for legislators and state employees to make informed decisions

• Provide access to historical and current federal and state documents and publications
Every Hoosier has full access to State Library collections, including

- Indiana history, including the largest historical collection of Indiana newspapers in the world (1796 – present)

- Manuscripts and personal papers of influential and notable Hoosiers, Indiana businesses, organizations or associations

- One of the Midwest’s most comprehensive genealogy collections containing over 40,000 printed items, hundreds of CDs with family history information, access to online family history commercial databases, county records, passenger lists, and military pension records

- Access to federal, state and local level statistical resources including Census data for Indiana, each state, and the nation
The Indiana Talking Book and Braille Library provides large print, Braille, and digital books and magazines to Indiana residents who are unable to read regular print, because of a visual or physical disability. This was a transformational year for Talking Books; major events included:

- Distribution of new digital players as the primary playback equipment for patrons
- Websites allowing patrons to download new titles directly from the Internet rather than waiting for new titles via US Mail
- Recording Indiana-specific books and magazines, otherwise unavailable in audio format, via its Ruth Lilly Recording Studio
- The 4th Annual Indiana Vision Expo, the highly successful event welcomed over 750 attendees and is now the large trade show in the Midwest for individuals with vision loss
INSPIRE is an online collection of academic, scholarly, and occupational resources available to all Hoosiers 24/7 through their home, work, school or library. Notable resources include scholarly and professional journals, student research tools, practice tests and guides for GED, SAT, and other tests and licensure exams, and career resources, such as the online résumé builder and the professional development eBook collection. INSPIRE resources are used in every institution of higher learning statewide and a majority of primary and secondary schools.

INSPIRE is supported by the Indiana General Assembly through Build Indiana Funds, the Institute of Museums and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act and in partnership with Academic Libraries of Indiana.
Over 33% of Hoosiers, 14 years and older, rely on Internet access from their public library for:

- **Education** – Libraries provide equal access to learning resources that enable all Hoosiers to have equal access to the tools needed to succeed in school and job market
- **Workforce Development** – Patrons create résumés, learn job skills, and conduct job searches
- **eGovernment** – As government tightens its belt, an increasing amount of state business is handled online, including BMV transactions, unemployment claims, FSSA, and many other licenses and permits
- **Medical Information** – Patrons use their local library to research about a specific illness, procedure, or medication, names of health care providers and health insurance information

The State Library distributes a mix of federal and state funds, to public libraries to meet their increasing needs for the Internet and increased bandwidth. Indiana’s public libraries help bridge the digital divide by providing free and equal access to 21st Century technologies. From 2006 to 2010, the bandwidth required by public libraries increased 300%, while the cost decreased by 21%.
A fast-growing consortium, currently 93 public, school and institutional libraries throughout Indiana. Evergreen Indiana provides access to a robust, open source library catalog. Residents living in Evergreen library districts can borrow materials from all member libraries. The Evergreen Indiana online catalog provides access to over 5.5 million items, an amount that increases monthly. Indiana is considered a global leader in the worldwide Evergreen community and is frequently asked how to replicate our system by other states. The consortium saves Indiana libraries thousands of dollars annually through resource sharing and annual licensing fees to private vendors.

Indiana Memory (www.indianamemory.IN.gov)

A collaboration of Indiana libraries, museums, archives, and other cultural organizations that provide access to Indiana's unique cultural and historical heritage in a variety of digital formats for free distribution over the Internet. Indiana Memory seeks to support and enhance education and scholarship for all Hoosiers by increased understanding of Indiana's past their role in preparing for Indiana's future.
The State Library is statutorily required to facilitate programs and functions of all types of Indiana libraries. The Library distributes federal grant funds from the Institute for Museum & Library Services (IMLS) for Indiana libraries, approximately $3.4 million annually.

About IMLS funding:

- Only the State Library in each state can distribute the annual grant funds allotted by IMLS
- The State Library receives over $3.4 million a year in federal funds from the IMLS through the Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA)
- The amount of federal money the Library receives each year is based, in part, on the state funds allocated by the state to the State Library. The State Library must contribute 34% of the total LSTA program funding per year from non-Federal sources as a match
- Under a federal Maintenance of Effort provision, each state is required to maintain its financial contribution to the program at not less than the average amount of its contribution for the previous three years, ensuring that Federal assistance results in state library support and that a state does not replace state dollars with Federal dollars
Children’s Reading Services
The State Library provides statewide training and consulting services related to children's services. Primarily focused on early literacy, programs include the Collaborative Summer Library Program including materials for sight impaired children, Every Child Ready to Read, Storytime Kits, training with Head Start and early Head Start programs, and other initiatives.

Interlibrary Loan and Courier Service
The State Library administers and partially subsidizes the statewide delivery of materials to types of statewide libraries including public, universities and colleges, and schools. This function is essential for statewide resource sharing, including interlibrary loan.

Statewide Public Library Standards and Professional Development
The State Library oversees statewide library standards and public library certification; has introduced several new services and increased continuing education opportunities to empower library districts and librarians to provide the highest quality library services.
The Indiana Center for the Book is a program of the Indiana State Library and an affiliate of the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress. The Center for the Book promotes interest in reading, writing, literacy, libraries, and Indiana's literary heritage by sponsoring events and serving as an information resource at the state and local level. The Center supports both the professional endeavors and the popular pursuits of Indiana's residents toward reading and writing. In 2009, the Center won a national award for outstanding programming.

**KILL-A-WATT Power Meter Initiative**

The Indiana State Library is collaborating with Vectren Corporation to loan Kill-A-Watt™ electric consumption meters to library patrons in Vectren’s service area. These palm-sized devices can monitor the electrical consumption of appliances and give the user an idea of how much energy the appliance is using and save the user an average of 5-10% on their power bills.
Indiana Libraries Leading in Diversity

The joint Indiana State Library and the Indiana University School of Library initiative has successfully recruited and is currently educating 30 ethnically/racially diverse students for Indiana's Librarians Leading in Diversity Project. The program is funded by a $1 million Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Grant from the Institute of Museum & Library Services.

Digital Talking Book Download Service

Indiana is one of five states to partake in an international pilot program for the Digital Talking Book Download Service. This service provides access to the talking books produced in the program’s pilot libraries. The service will enable the State Library to provide online access to Indiana-related content in books, magazines, etc., recorded and digitized in its Ruth Lilly Recording Studio. The project will be a great supplement to the growing collection of online resources for the blind the physically handicapped patrons in the Library's Talking Book program.
Questions?

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