

SCRLC's Land Acknowledgment

The SCRLC offices reside on the traditional, unceded homelands of the Gayogohó:no'* (Cayuga) people, one of the 6 nations of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy-one of the longest-lived democracies in the world. During the period of European encroachment, the Gayogohó:no' provided the displaced Saponi and Tutelo peoples with lands at the south end of Cayuga Lake and the Newfield/Enfield areas. This map may help you identify the indigenous people whose land you occupy, and their languages.

Libraries can include books and resources authored and created by indigenous people, and ensure collections provide the perspectives of indigenous peoples. Libraries can partner with indigeous groups and businesses for programming and local projects of mutual interest. Resources created by indigenous communities and organizations, including those provided by the American Indian Library Association (AILA) can help the library community to learn more.

If you are reading this as someone from an indigenous-led organization seeking to partner with libraries, we encourage you to reach out to us.

For more information on Land Acknowledgments and other pertinent information, visit SCRLC's <u>Diversity</u>, <u>Equity & Inclusion LibGuide</u>. SCRLC recognizes that land acknowledgments are not without controversy, and this one is very much a work in progress. We welcome your feedback.

* Click here for pronunciation.

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