Our Mission

South Central Regional Library Council leads and advocates for member libraries by promoting learning, collaboration, and innovation.
As a collective voice for libraries of all types, SCRLC worked with member libraries and systems, the NY3Rs, the New York State Alliance of Library Systems, and the New York Library Association to restore library aid. This cooperative effort resulted in an additional $5 million in Library Aid, now at $90.6 million. Full funding for Library Aid is $102 million (2007 levels).

Twenty legislators or their staff serving the SCRLC region were visited in Albany; our six federal legislators were engaged via email regarding funding for the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) programs and services.

SCRLC reached out to members via in-person visits, email, phone, IM, meetings, and even through participation in wellness fairs - nearly 31,000 times. One faculty focus group was held for an SCRLC member. The Board of Trustees engaged the members in three regional conversational meetings to gather input on new directions for SCRLC.

Grants Received: $336,665 - Design for Learning: 21st Century Online Teaching and Learning Skills for Library Workers - a three-year partnership project among SCRLC, Syracuse University’s iSchool, and the NY 3Rs Association, Inc. IMLS funded the project via the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program.

SCRLC collaborated with the NY3Rs on CE and special interest groups as well as on Information Infrastructure for New York (I2NY), and the resulting six initiatives. Find details at www.ny3rs.org.

CE is a priority as identified by SCRLC member organizations.

In 2013-14, SCRLC presented 85 learning opportunities; 3,397 library workers participated. Of those 1,776 were regional library workers.

Many of this year’s programs were funded with NN/LM MAR monies. Grant activities included a pre-survey, three live kick-off events, thirteen Wellness Webinars (525 attended), a 10-week physical activity program, and a live Winner's Circle (final event) that included six therapy dogs and their handlers.

Sixteen hundred eighty-one library workers have established
accounts with SCRLC’s MyCE registration system, enabling them to track all their events attended.

**Digitization**

Five SCRLC organizations joined the New York Heritage Program: Corning Museum of Glass Rakow Library, Delaware County Historical Association, Greater Oneonta Historical Society, New York Chiropractic College, and the NYS College of Ceramics.

The total number of items contributed to NYH by SCRLC’s 22 member participants: 8,582 with many more items in process.

The *Teaching Primary Sources* (TPS) grant activities began, including the hiring of a project coordinator. The project and social studies lessons plans are available at http://scrlc.libguides.com/historyunbound.

**Information Technologies & Services**

Four libraries were awarded Regional Bibliographic Databases and Interlibrary Loan Resources Sharing Program (RBDB) 2013 technology grants totaling $22,485, as follows: $2,834 - DCMO BOCES SLS for a 3-D printer to loan to schools and in-house use for regional libraries; $958 - George F. Johnson Memorial Library to digitize early public domain local newspaper collections; $6,693 - New York State Historical Association to digitize their Octagon House Collection and $12,000 - Southern Tier Library System/Four County Library System for creation of a shared storage cloud to archive data and mitigate loss. Additional public library systems will participate in this effort.

SCRLC maintained a consortial membership in the AskUs 24/7 virtual reference collaborative that enabled eight SCRLC libraries to provide just-in-time, point-of-need information help to their communities. 2013-2014 participants were: Broome Community College, Cayuga Community College, Cornell University, Finger Lakes Library System, SUNY Cortland, SUNY Delhi, TC3, and Wells College. Regional library users asked a total of 4,121 questions.

My Info Quest SMS Text Reference Service, a collaborative of libraries and systems across the USA, SCRLC provided project leadership and hosted the website. Three NYS libraries/library

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**Financial Report 2013-2014**

**Receipts**

- Aid/Grants: 684,147
- Membership Dues: 30,269
- Interest: 764
- Contracts & Fees: 57,384
- Miscellaneous: 3,827
- **Total**: 776,392

**Expenses**

- Salaries & Benefits: 395,037
- Member Services: 250,540
- General Operating: 133,147
- **Total**: 778,723

**Receipts**

- State & Federal Aid/Grants: 88%
- Membership Dues: 4%
- Interest: 1%
- Contracts & Fees: 7%
- Miscellaneous: 1%

**Expenditures**

- Salaries & Benefits: 51%
- Member Services: 17%
- General Operating: 32%
systems, including Broome County Public Library, participated. Sixteen library science students served on the MIQ information desk.

SCRLC provided regional access for all member libraries and library systems to the following databases: First Search Base Package, OmniFile Full Text, EBSCO’s Literary Reference Center, Teacher Reference Center, and Art Museum Image Gallery.

SCRLC served as a central agent for other databases and products using Hospital Library Services Program and Medical Information Services Program monies. Britannica Online pricing was negotiated for 11 academic member libraries.


Nineteen hospitals participated in the HLSP program. Several member hospitals formed regional affiliations that provide them with improved access to medical library services: Arnot Ogden Medical Center formed a parent organization, Arnot Health, and the individually functioning component hospitals are Arnot Ogden Medical Center, St. Joseph’s Hospital, and Ira Davenport Memorial Hospital. Similarly, Bassett Healthcare is now comprised of Bassett Medical Center, A.O. Fox Hospital, and O’Connor Hospital, as well as several out-of-region hospitals and health centers.

SCRLC resource hospital libraries provided 744 information searches for their constituents.

Grants: All hospital member libraries received $27,111 in direct HLSP grants. Funds were used to build collections (57%), support circuit services (15%), update hardware and software (12%), database subscriptions (12%), and support ILL/Resource Sharing (4%). Librarians and liaisons report that the grant funds are essential to serving their users well and are sometimes the only funds available for these purposes in their institutions.

SCRLC libraries lent, both within the region and outside, while they borrowed fewer. SCRLC as a region is a net lender, with the lending to borrowing ratio 56:44, a change from 52:48 in 2012-2013.
Items lent: 102,964 (90,257 last year)
Items borrowed: 81,735 (84,586 last year)
Requests received as lender but unfilled: 44,418 (57,501 last year)
Requests unfilled as a borrower: 14,308 (19,821 last year)
Total interlibrary loan activity: 243,425 (252,165 last year)

SCRLC supported last-resort ILL through BARC (Bibliographic & Referral Center) service for all library types. The service is outsourced to Broome Community College. Fifteen libraries placed 429 requests; BARC updated 262 Union List of Serials entries in OCLC.

Twenty-four SCRLC academic libraries received $169,678 in Coordinated Collection Development Aid for Academic Libraries (CCDA).

One large resource sharing event was held in collaboration with Central NY Library Resources Council at SUNY Cortland.

Medical Information Service Program funds: $13,535 were distributed to SCRLC members of all types to support interlibrary loan access to the NN/LM resource health sciences libraries.

The South Central Regional Library Council (SCRLC) is one of nine multitype Reference and Research Library Resources Councils in New York State.

SCRLC covers 10,000 square miles in a fourteen-county region.

SCLRC serves 71 member libraries and organizations reaching over 500 libraries.
## 2013—2014 Member Libraries

### Academic Libraries
- Alfred State College
- Alfred University
- Binghamton University
- Broome Community College
- Cayuga Community College
- Cornell University
- Corning Community College
- Davis College
- Elmira College
- Hartwick College
- Houghton College
- Ithaca College
- Keuka College
- NY Chiropractic College
- NYS College of Ceramics - Alfred University
- SUNY Cortland
- SUNY Delhi
- SUNY Oneonta
- Tompkins Cortland Community College
- Wells College

### Public Libraries & Systems
- Broome County Public Library
- Finger Lakes Library System
- Four County Library System
- Southern Tier Library System
- Chemung County Library District

### School Library Systems
- Broome-Tioga BOCES
- Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES
- Delaware-Chenango–Madison-Otsego BOCES
- Greater Southern Tier BOCES
- Otsego-Northern Catskills BOCES
- Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga BOCES

### Hospital Libraries
- Arnot Ogden Medical Center
- Auburn Memorial Hospital
- Bassett Healthcare
- Cayuga Medical Center at Ithaca
- Chenango Memorial Hospital
- Corning Hospital
- Cortland Regional Medical Center
- Ira Davenport Memorial Hospital
- Delaware Valley Hospital
- A.O. Fox Memorial Hospital
- Jones Memorial Hospital
- Lourdes Hospital
- O'Connor Hospital Division of Bassett
- Schuyler Hospital
- Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hospital
- St. James Mercy Hospital
- St. Joseph's Hospital
- UHS-Wilson Medical Center

### Special Libraries
- BAE Systems
- Bright Hill Press
- Corning Inc., Technical Information Center
- Corning Museum of Glass
- Elmira Business Institute
- Elmira Psychiatric Center
- The History Center in Tompkins County
- International Motor Racing Research Center
- Mt. Saviour Monastery
- NY Center for Agricultural Medicine & Health
- NYS Frederick Warder Academy of Fire Science
- NYS Historical Association & Farmers Museum
- Ridley-Lowell Business and Technical Institute

### Affiliate Members
- Cortland County Historical Society
- Delaware County Historical Association
- George F. Johnson Memorial Library
- Greater Oneonta Historical Society
- Guthrie Healthcare System
- McGraw Historical Society
- Oxford Memorial Library
- Stamford Village Library