



WESTERN NEW YORK LIBRARY RESOURCES COUNCIL

Questioning existing practices.
Testing new ideas.
WNYLRC: a leader in library innovation.

About WNYLRC

Annual Report

The Western New York Library Resources Council (WNYLRC) is a not-for-profit consortium of libraries and library systems serving six counties: Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, and Orleans.

The Council was chartered by the New York State Board of Regents in 1966. Member libraries include academic, corporate, hospital and other special types of libraries. Library systems include public and school libraries.

WNYLRC is governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees. Operations are conducted by a staff at the central headquarters located at Airport Commerce Park East, 4950 Genesee Street, Suite 170, in Cheektowaga. Specific issues and activities are addressed by various volunteer committees and discussion groups comprised of staff from member libraries.

Most Council programs are funded by state aid administered by the Division of Library Development at the New York State Library. The Council also seeks funding from private and other government sources for specific projects.

Purpose statement

WNYLRC is a member-driven organization that helps libraries build connections with each other, library users, and the larger community.

WNYLRC Principles

Community and Collaboration: Working together is more effective than working alone. When we come together as a community and work toward a common goal, we are better, stronger, and more likely to succeed.

Innovation: Creating value through positive change. New ideas, technologies, services, and programs need an incubator.

Education: Cultivating a culture of learning. New skills and knowledge create opportunities.

Connecting: Blurring boundaries. Building bridges requires facilitating connections among diverse groups.

Advocacy: Championing libraries. Securing support requires telling a compelling story.

WNYLRC 50th Anniversary Timeline 1966-2016

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