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# ACRONYM AND ABBREVIATION GUIDE

**ALA:** American Library Association  
**BIBCO:** Bibliographic Record Cooperative  
**C&I:** Cataloging & Indexing Program  
**CGP:** Catalog of U.S. Government Publications  
**CNI:** Coalition for Networked Information  
**CONSER:** Cooperative Online Serials  
**CRDP:** Cataloging Record Distribution Program  
**CRN:** Civics Renewal Network  
**DLC:** Depository Library Council  
**DPLA:** Digital Public Library of America  
**ECIP:** Electronic Cataloging in Publication Program  
**FADGI:** Federal Agencies Digitization Guidelines Initiative  
**FDLD:** Federal Depository Library Directory  
**FDLP:** Federal Depository Library Program  
**FDsys:** GPO’s Federal Digital System  
**FEDLINK:** Federal Library and Information Network  
**GODORT:** Government Documents Round Table, ALA  
**govinfo:** govinfo.gov  
**GPO:** U.S. Government Publishing Office  
**IIPC:** International Internet Preservation Consortium  
**ILS:** Integrated Library System  
**IS&T:** Society for Imaging Science and Technology  
**LC:** Library of Congress  
**LSCM:** Library Services & Content Management  
**LSS:** Library Services System  
**NACO:** Name Authority Cooperative  
**NAPA:** North American Precis Syndicate  
**NARA:** National Archives & Records Administration  
**NBII:** National Bibliographic Records Inventory Initiative  
**NDSA:** National Digital Stewardship Alliance  
**NFAIS:** National Federation of Advanced Information Services  
**PARS:** Preservation Administrator’s Interest Group, Preservation & Reformatting Section, ALA  
**PCC:** Program for Cooperative Cataloging  
**PEGI:** Preservation of Electronic Information  
**PUR:** Persistent Uniform Resource Locator  
**RUSA:** Reference and User Services Association, ALA  
**SAA:** Society of American Archivists  
**SACO:** Subject Authority Cooperative  
**SGMP:** Society of Government Meeting Planners  
**SOD-PPS:** Superintendent of Documents Public Policy Statements  
**SuDocs:** Superintendent of Documents (classification)  
**TRAIL:** Technical Report Archive & Image Library  
**WPA:** Works Progress Administration
Dear Federal depository library partners,

As I sit here in GPO’s historic red brick building in Washington, D.C. and reflect back on fiscal year 2017, two main ideas stand out in my mind – transformation and modernization. The Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) has been transforming since its inception – first with the administration of the Program, from the Secretary of State in 1813, to the Department of the Interior, and finally to GPO in 1895 – then with the development of the Superintendent of Documents Classification System – to the development of the regional and selective model – and the eventual advent of the Internet and electronic access to publications. And so, of course, transformation is not a new concept to the FDLP. But this year saw the spark of significant change. The House Committee on Administration began a series of inquiries and hearings on Transforming GPO for the 21st Century and Beyond, and a great deal of attention has been given to the FDLP. I was asked to testify at one of these hearings, and I was happy to talk with the members of the committee on this important topic. In addition, then GPO Director, Davita Vance-Cooks, asked the Depository Library Council (DLC) to begin conceptualizing revisions to Title 44 of the U.S. Code. We asked the FDLP community for input, and you certainly delivered! I am excited to see what the year ahead will hold, and look forward to continuing our evolution together.

As you know, in addition to the FDLP, GPO’s Library Services & Content Management (LSCM) also works to support other important programs, all appropriated by Congress:

■ The Cataloging & Indexing Program.
■ The International Exchange Service.
■ The By-Law Program.

In this year’s Year in Review, you will read about many of the initiatives LSCM has undertaken to continue our transformation and to support these four programs. It has been a busy and productive year!

On behalf of the staff in LSCM, I am proud to present to you our accomplishments for FY 2017.

With Warm Regards,

Laurie Hall
Superintendent of Documents
Managing Director, Library Services & Content Management
GPO Partnerships

Since 1997, GPO has developed strategic partnerships with Federal depository libraries, Federal agencies, and other institutions to increase public access to electronic U.S. Government information.

Partnering is an integral part of how GPO is Keeping America Informed, and over the past two decades, these partnerships have grown and evolved. Today, GPO collaborates with a number of organizations to further its mission and ensure permanent public access to the wealth of information products, both current and historic, that are produced by the U.S. Government.

In FY17, LSCM announced expanded partner categories:

- Preservation Steward
- Digital Preservation Steward
- Digital Content Contributor
- Cataloging/Metadata Contributor
- Other/Specialized

Through GPO’s partnerships, free public access to Government information was enhanced during FY 2017.

- Completed cataloging of print and electronic versions of the USGS Bulletin through a partnership with the University of Colorado, Boulder and the Colorado School of Mines. Over 5,100 bibliographic records were added to the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP) as a result of these partnerships.
- Began adding bibliographic records for the print versions of the Bureau of Mines Report of Investigations through a partnership with the University of Colorado, Boulder. 948 records were added to the CGP as a result of this partnership.
- Began adding bibliographic records for the electronic versions of the USGS Professional Papers through a partnership with the Colorado School of Mines. 805 records were added to the CGP as a result of this partnership.
- Continued to work on adding bibliographic records from the University of Montana for 12 SuDocs classes.
- Continued to process new material available on FRASER, a partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Ten libraries have become Preservation Stewards for discrete collections:

- University of Colorado Boulder’s University Libraries: Tangible collection of the United States Serial Set, the Congressional Record, and Congressional hearings.
- University of Kentucky Libraries: Works Progress/Work Projects Administration (WPA) and Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) publications.
- University of Hawaii at Mānoa: U.S. Reports.
- State Library of Ohio: Bound Congressional Record.
- The University of Arkansas Little Rock: Volumes of the Handbook of North American Indians.
- University of Florida: Collections for which there is a digital copy on govinfo.
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: Senate and Joint hearings (1995-2010) for which there is a digital copy on govinfo.

Learn more about GPO partnerships, and contact our partnership team with inquiries.

GPO Collaborations

In FY 2017, LSCM staff participated in and collaborated with groups in support of the FDLP and Cataloging & Indexing Program.

- Throughout the year, GPO collaborated with the Library of Congress on a project to make freely-available every issue of the Congressional Record, dating back to its first issue in 1873! Through this partnership, volumes from 1921 – 1990 were made available on govinfo this fiscal year.
- GPO partnered with the National Archives & Records Administration’s Office of the Federal Register on a project to ultimately make freely-available 14,587 individual issues of the Federal Register, dating back to the first in 1936. In FY 2017, digital versions of the FR were made available for issues covering 1980 – 1994. Work will continue in FY 2018.
Through its partnership in the Civics Renewal Network (CRN), a consortium of organizations committed to strengthening civic life in the U.S. by increasing the quality of civics education in our Nation’s schools, GPO makes available, through the CRN website, K-12 resources that support civics education. The resources are for free use by teachers, students, and parents and can be found by searching subjects, grades, resource type, standards, and teaching strategy.

GPO continues its partnership in the Technical Report Archive & Image Library (TRAIL). GPO and TRAIL members work together to ensure that Federal technical reports are openly accessible, and participating GPO staff members offer expertise in cataloging and other areas and participate in the exchange of information about U.S. Government scientific and technical information.

The Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) and GPO continued their collaboration to broaden public access to the information made available via the CGP. Through the partnership, 180,640 records (and growing) from GPO’s CGP are available to the public through the DPLA website. Examples of records include: the Federal Budget, laws, Federal regulations, and Congressional hearings, reports, and documents.

GPO continues to be heavily involved in cooperative cataloging and metadata activities with members of the library community. GPO is an active participant in all components of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC), which is managed by the Library of Congress, including BIBCO (Bibliographic Record Cooperative), CONSER (Cooperative Online Serials), NACO (Name Authority Cooperative), and SACO (Subject Authority Cooperative).

GPO has been a member of OCLC since 1976 and contributes bibliographic records for U.S. Government information to the international database daily.

GPO is also part of the Electronic Cataloging in Publication Program (ECIP). ECIP provides cataloging records for books in advance of publication. The publisher then includes the record on the verso of the publication’s title page. Through the ECIP Program, GPO is creating pre-publication bibliographic records for publications from Federal agency publishers. Since joining ECIP in 2015, GPO has created over 60 ECIP records. LSCM staff have created ECIP records for GPO, the Combat Studies Institute, the Air Force Research Institute, the Smithsonian Institution Scholarly Press, USGS, and the National Gallery of Art, to name a few.

LSCM staff also collaborated with these groups and organizations in FY 2017:

- CENDI, an interagency working group of senior scientific and technical information managers representing 12 U.S. Federal agencies
- Coalition for Networked Information (CNI)
- Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics
As authorized by Chapter 19 of Title 44, U.S.C., the mission of the FDLP is to provide for no-fee, ready, and permanent public access to Federal Government information, now and for future generations. The vision of the FDLP is to provide U.S. Government information when and where it is needed, in order to ensure an informed citizenry and an improved quality of life.

Through this historic U.S. Government program, GPO disseminates information products from all three branches of the Federal Government to approximately 1,150 libraries nationwide designated as Federal depository libraries, directly by law or as depositories designated by their Representatives and Senators. Federal depository libraries maintain and provide free public access to Federal Government information products and provide expert assistance in navigating those resources. Providing free online access to Government publications is provided under the authority of Chapter 41 of Title 44, U.S.C., via GPO’s Federal Digital System (FDsys) and govinfo.

Title 44 Modernization

Depository Library Council

In FY 2017, there was a series of congressional hearings before the House Administration Committee, Transforming GPO for the 21st Century and Beyond. The need to revise Title 44, United States Code, which contains the authority for the public information programs of the Superintendent of Documents, was mentioned on more than one occasion.

GPO Director Davita Vance-Cooks charged the DLC to work with the depository library community to provide feedback to GPO regarding possible changes to Chapter 19, Title 44, with the goal of improving flexibility within the FDLP.

The DLC received comments and suggestions from Depository Coordinators, Library Directors, library associations, and other interested stakeholders from the end of June through the end of August. After reviewing more than 130 submissions and much deliberation, DLC transmitted the following recommendations to the GPO Director and the Acting Superintendent of Documents in September 2017:

- Amend 44 U.S. Code § 1901 to redefine “Government publication” so that it may be clearly interpreted to include Government information in
Amend 44 U.S. Code § 1902 to require legislative, executive, and judicial branch agencies to deposit authenticated electronic publications with the GPO for inclusion in the FDLP. This complements our recommendation to amend § 1901, and we recommend that GPO be explicitly charged with caring for and managing these publications in a responsible and accountable manner, and with ensuring their long-term preservation.

Amend 44 U.S. Code § 1904 to permit the Superintendent of Documents to develop and maintain a mechanism to enable depository libraries to select only those publications they need, in whatever format is most appropriate. Remove references to a classified list.

Amend 44 U.S. Code § 1909 to remove the requirement that a depository library hold at least 10,000 books and stipulate instead that the library have physical and/or electronic collections sufficient to indicate organizational capacity to successfully participate in the FDLP.

Amend 44 U.S. Code § 1911 to permit selective depositories that are not served by a regional depository to dispose of Government publications after retaining them for five years. Such withdrawals shall be conducted with guidance provided by the Superintendent of Documents, which may include oversight by another regional depository.

Amend 44 U.S. Code § 1912 to permit regional depositories to share their collections and services across state lines, so long as the Senators in all the involved states agree.

Amend 44 U.S. Code §§ 1911 and 1912 to make authenticated digital copies of Government publications a format which a regional depository library may hold as deposited items so long as they are made freely available to the public.

Add a section to 44 U.S. Code Chapter 19 to give GPO grant-making authority, and to enter into contracts or cooperative arrangements with depository libraries to enhance access to Government publications. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, the digitization of Government publications, preservation of Government publications, and cataloging Government publications.

The DLC scheduled an all-day discussion of Title 44 for their fall 2017 meeting to share their recommendations with both on-site and virtual attendees and to obtain additional feedback. They submitted revised recommendations in October 2017.

U.S. Government Publishing Office

Following the House Administration Committee hearing of July 18, 2017, GPO received questions for the record from the Committee. Among the questions was, “You have initiated the process of reviewing chapter 19 of title 44, U.S.C., to ensure it comports with the current needs of Federal depository libraries. What have you identified as areas in need of improvement or revision?”

GPO’s response follows:

The mandates of Chapter 19, Depository Library Program, are grounded in the era of ink-on-paper printed publications. They should be revised to allow GPO to administer the FDLP and other public information programs of the Superintendent of Documents effectively in the digital age and provide flexibility for the libraries to continue to participate and best serve their communities.

Changes to Chapter 19 should support the vision conveyed in GPO’s National Plan for Access to U.S. Government Information: “To provide Government information when and where it is needed” to ensure the public has effective, equitable, and convenient access to Government information in the form and formats they need.

Priorities for Chapter 19 revision:

- GPO should be made responsible for the lifecycle management of digital and tangible Government information (identify, acquire, catalog, preserve, disseminate, reformat) from all three branches of the Federal Government.
- Recognition that GPO administers a distributed “National Collection of Government Information,” or “National Library of Government Information” housed in Federal depository libraries, and works in collaboration with other national libraries.
- A Preservation Program must be a component of the Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents to ensure permanent public access to the corpus of Federal Government information for future generations.
- Authority to digitize previously printed historical materials disseminated to the public. Similarly to assist in this effort, provide authority for GPO to accept and ingest digitized content, metadata, cataloging information, and other products and services for inclusion in FDsys/govinfo or shared repositories for preserving print and digital Government information.
Regional tangible discards should be allowed when content is available on GPO’s system of online access or from a GPO partner that meets the criteria for a trusted digital repository, as determined by the Superintendent of Documents.

Intersection of Ideas

The last major changes to the FDLP statutory authority was in 1962—more than 50 years ago. It is very clear from the responses to the call for suggestions that the FDLP is valuable, not only to depository libraries but to those whom they serve. As one director said, “…[our libraries] have a keen interest in the health of the Federal Depository Library Program, and believe its effective operation is essential to the health of our democracy.”

Enhancing Content in GPO’s Federal Digital System (FDsys)/govinfo & Digital Collection Development Plan

LSCM has continued to work closely with GPO’s Office of Programs, Strategy, & Technology throughout the development of govinfo, since its beta release in February 2016. GPO is on track to enter Stage 2 (govinfo out of beta) of the transition from FDsys to govinfo at the end of December 2017. FDsys will remain available for a time after govinfo is out of beta while we work with stakeholders to update links and processes to govinfo.

In early FY 2017, LSCM released GPO’s System of Online Access | Collection Development Plan, which set ingest priorities for fiscal years 2017-2022. Building the system’s collection to make it the most comprehensive information repository serving the information needs of Congress, Federal agencies, depository libraries, and the public entails the ingest of current and historical content. The Collection Development Plan will be reviewed and revised annually.

Continuing to add to the collections currently available on FDsys/govinfo is of the highest priority, with a goal of offering complete and historic holdings. Digitization of historical content may originate from GPO, other Federal agencies, or from parties with whom GPO has formally signed agreements, such as Federal depository libraries.

Here are a few highlights of the new content added in FY 2017:

- GPO made available the historical Bound Congressional Record volumes from 1921-1990.
- Women in Congress, 1917-2017 is the first publication in EPUB format available on govinfo.
- Code of Federal Regulations Index and Findings Aids is available on govinfo for the first time beginning with the 2017 edition.
Opinions from seven district courts and one bankruptcy court were added to the U.S. Courts Opinions collection.

GPO is continuing to add historic titles to the FDLP Related Publications page on govinfo.

Administrative Notes: Technical Supplement Guidelines for the depository library system as adopted by the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer, Oct. 18, 1977


Federal Depository Library Manual and supplements

How to Designate a Federal Depository Library

1988, 1992, and 2000 editions of Instructions to Depository Libraries

Superseded List

Look for additional volumes of the Bound Congressional Record and the Federal Register available via govinfo in FY 2018.

govinfo Certification as a Trustworthy Digital Repository

GPO is working to become the first Federal agency to be named as a Trustworthy Digital Repository (TDR) for Government information through certification of FDsys and govinfo under ISO 16363:2012. Certification of FDsys/govinfo from an accredited certifying body shall serve to validate GPO’s commitment to standards-based digital preservation practices and activities across 109 criteria in the areas of:

- Organizational Governance
- Digital Object Management
- Infrastructure and Security Management

Trusted Digital Repository certification has been a key GPO strategic initiatives and a joint effort between GPO’s LSCM and PST business units since 2015. Certification under ISO 16363 will provide GPO stakeholders, including the FDLP community, that FDsys/govinfo is a standards-compliant digital archive in which Government information shall be preserved, accessible, and usable well into the long-term future. To prepare for external certification, GPO has participated in the National Digital Stewardship Residency program, sponsored by Library of Congress and IMLS, in order to have a Resident perform an internal assessment against the 109 criteria of the ISO 16363 standard. Both PST and LSCM have reviewed and expanded existing policies, procedures, workflows, and programmatic digital preservation practices in response to this internal assessment. In August 2016, GPO released a Request for Information to elicit information and to better understand the auditing processes and certification opportunities for FDsys/govinfo under ISO 16363:2012 accredited certification organizations and to identify organizations that could perform the audit. In October 2017, GPO released a solicitation in order to procure an external certification body to perform the formal audit. An award is expected in early 2018, and the audit will also be underway in 2018. LSCM and PST believe that GPO is likely to be the first Government agency to receive TDR certification sometime in 2019.

GPO on the Go

Beginning in FY 2016 and continuing to the present, GPO has been conducting in-person visits to Federal depository libraries throughout the country in order to provide consultation, training, and support. These visits have been extremely influential in strengthening the ties between GPO and its partner libraries and in helping GPO identify current trends and issues in libraries and respond with improved outreach and services. GPO staff at all levels have participated in this initiative and are now implementing targeted follow-up projects to benefit the FDLP and its participants.

- FY 2016: 39 states, the District of Columbia, and 233 libraries
- FY 2017: 34 states and 205 libraries

View the full list of every library GPO has visited, and view our interactive On the Go map for a more detailed view.
LibGuides Pilot

In FY17, LSCM concluded a pilot project to assess the value of offering a LibGuides page with research guides related to FDLP documents. It utilized the expertise of nine volunteers from academic and tribal libraries in the FDLP and a project team from LSCM. GPO is grateful to all who participated.

The pilot received positive feedback from the libraries that were involved. After reviewing the results, LSCM decided to move forward with a year-long implementation of the program and extend open participation to all libraries in the FDLP. The new LibGuides page went live in October 2017. FDLP LibGuides include guides created by LSCM staff and guides submitted by libraries and Federal agencies. As the implementation progresses, the number of guides available will continue to grow. Subject requests are also accepted.

For more information about GPO’s LibGuides, visit the FDLP LibGuides Project Page. LSCM encourages all to review the LibGuides, and send us your feedback.

FDLP Academy

The FDLP Academy was launched by LSCM in FY 2014 to support the FDLP community’s education and training needs and to advance Federal Government information literacy.

In FY 2017, LSCM:

- Presented 117 educational sessions and events, including:
  - 11 virtual meetings
  - 88 webinars, with 10,412 combined registrants
  - 21 pre-recorded webcasts

FDLP Academy resources include:

- An FDLP Events Calendar with information on upcoming events and related registration information.
- A Webinars & Webcasts Archive with links to recordings and handouts of all past webinars and webcasts, categorized by learning track (FDLP Community, Agency, GPO, FDsys/govinfo).
- An Events & Conferences page with information about GPO’s annual FDLP events.
- An Events & Conferences Archive with links to recordings and handouts of all past FDLP events and conferences that have been broadcast virtually.

- The FDLP Coordinator Certificate Program, featuring educational courses for depository coordinators.
- A collection of FDsys training videos.
- A form to request specialized training or to volunteer to share expertise through a webinar hosted by GPO.

In FY17, LSCM began work to migrate archived webinars to a new platform. Coming in FY 2018, the new FDLP Academy Webinar Archive will have an improved user interface for browsing, finding, and viewing relevant training programs.

FDLP Coordinator Certificate Program

The inaugural FDLP Coordinator Certificate Program saw 49 participants complete the program in March 2017 (of the 52 that participated) for a 94% completion rate! The program allows FDLP coordinators an opportunity to take in-depth virtual classes on managing depository collections with a focus on compliance with the Legal Requirements & Program Regulations of the Federal Depository Library Program. It brings together GPO and depository libraries in a new way to strengthen and improve the FDLP.

The program is free to participants and open to the public. It is conducted virtually through the FDLP Academy.

The program consists of eight classes over a nine-week period:

1. Introduction to the FDLP and GPO
2. Legal Requirements and Regulations
3. What’s in the Box?
4. Depository Collection Management
5. Public Access
6. Cataloging and Bibliographic Control
7. Regionals
8. Wrap Up

The fall 2017 program, taking place in early FY 2018, has 53 participants.

FDLP Events

LSCM hosted four FDLP special events in FY 2017.

i. 2016 New Depository Librarian’s Institute

Sixty-four members of the FDLP community joined GPO for the New Depository Librarian’s Institute, held October 12 and 13, 2016. This virtual pre-conference to the 2016 DLC Meeting & FDL Conference was oriented to new staff (although any depository library staff member was welcome to attend), and it addressed topics such as day-to-day management of tangible and electronic collections and item selection
profiles, public access requirements, and the role of regional depository libraries. In the year that followed, the archived recordings were viewed 445 times.

ii. 2016 Depository Library Council Meeting & Federal Depository Library Conference

Over 500 librarians from across the country participated in the 2016 Depository Library Council Meeting and Federal Depository Library Conference. This annual event, hosted by LSCM, was held at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, from October 17 – 19, 2016.

Over 275 librarians were onsite, and an additional 270 librarians participated in the sessions via live webinar broadcast. In all, almost every U.S. state was represented, plus Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. This event is the largest annual gathering of Federal depository library staff in the country.

This year marked the 93rd gathering of Federal depository librarians and colleagues from around the country; the first was held in 1973 in Washington, D.C. This year also marked the 5th anniversary of virtual broadcasts of the conference, affording so many more librarians from around the country with the ability to participate.

The theme of the conference was, “Making it Happen Together: Demonstrating Results,” which was the perfect depiction of the three-day event. GPO Director Davita Vance-Cooks kicked-off the conference on October 17 by speaking on the state of the GPO. Following that, Acting Superintendent of Documents Laurie Beyer Hall provided updates on LSCM initiatives and presented a new video focused on the GPO on the Go initiative, showcasing the (then) 250 libraries that GPO staff have visited, speaking with library staff about their needs and providing consultation services. Chief Administrative Officer, Herb Jackson, Jr. then spoke to attendees about 2016 milestone anniversaries for Federal depository libraries, many of which celebrated 150, 125, and 100 years in the FDLP in 2016. Following that, GPO’s Chief of Staff Andy Sherman and GPO Historian George Barnum spoke to attendees about the updated GPO history book, “Keeping America Informed: The U.S. Government Publishing Office, A Legacy of Service to the Nation, 1861 – 2016,” and presented the latest video on GPO history. GPO Deputy Director Jim Bradley then presented the 2016 Federal Depository Library of the Year Award to Texas A&M University – Kingsville’s Jernigan Library. The kickoff session ended with a book signing, where the GPO executive team signed copies of the updated history book for attendees.

Some other great event features included:

- A govinfo hands-on user feedback session.
- Poster presentations.
- A vendor area with live demonstrations and exhibits.
- A social media booth featuring cardboard cut-outs of Benjamin Franklin and various props related to GPO products and services.
- A conference web app that allowed attendees to add conference sessions to their personal calendars; presented information on the local area, food, and transportation; and provided attendees with important conference and resources.

GPO also live-tweeted the event, generating more than 265 tweets. Anyone can view the photos and tweets by searching gpodic16 on Twitter.

Archived recordings of sessions, handouts, photos, and more are available via FDLP.gov’s conference web page. At the close of the conference, the DLC presented their formal recommendations to GPO. Those recommendations and GPO’s responses are available on FDLP.gov.

iii. 2017 Depository Library Council Virtual Meeting

Over 450 registrants from all 50 states plus DC and Puerto Rico participated in the 2017 DLC Virtual Meeting. This annual event, hosted by LSCM, was held April 26 – 27, 2017, and our staff broadcasted the Meeting from the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, along with 13 members of the DLC from around the country.

The two-day virtual conference began on April 26th with a video of GPO Director Davita Vance-Cooks welcoming attendees and thanking the depository librarians for their efforts and dedication to the mission of Keeping America Informed. Following that, Acting Superintendent of Documents Laurie Beyer Hall, as well as numerous LSCM staff members, provided updates on LSCM initiatives during the GPO Update session.
Popular topics at the Virtual Meeting included microfiche and preservation, collaborative service models, the up and coming Library Services System, and regional depository library issues, such as the Regional Discard Policy and Preservation Stewards. At the end of the second day, GPO staff and the DLC held an open forum to answer questions from the attendees. GPO also live-tweeted the event, generating more than 200 tweets. To view the photos and tweets, search #DLCVirtual17 on Twitter. Archived recordings of sessions, handouts, photos, and more are available via FDLP.gov’s Virtual Meeting web page.

iv. 2017 DLC Onsite Meeting

On August 10 and 11, 2017, the members of the DLC met at GPO main headquarters in Washington, D.C. to work on GPO Director Davita Vance-Cooks’ charge to present ideas for the modernization of Title 44 of the United States Code. For eight hours, the DLC met and discussed the vast collection of modernization suggestions and ideas gathered from the FDLP community, as well as their own thoughts. They developed this into a preliminary list of changes and then presented that to Ms. Vance-Cooks. The following day, on August 11, the DLC reconvened for the new DLC member orientation, presented by GPO staff. This onsite meeting contributed significantly to the development of the DLC’s formal proposed revisions to Title 44, which were presented to GPO in September 2017.

v. 2017 New Depository Librarian’s Institute

Sixty-three members of the FDLP community joined LSCM for the New Depository Librarian’s Institute, held September 20 and 21, 2017. This two-day virtual training was oriented to new staff (although any depository library staff member was welcome to attend), and it addressed topics such as day-to-day management of tangible and electronic collections and item selection profiles, public access requirements, and the role of regional depository libraries.

Preservation Program

For 2017, LSCM’s Preservation Program concentrated on developing and formalizing LSCM’s organizational approach to digital preservation. The Preservation Program worked with LSCM and PST staff to develop the organizational infrastructure necessary to provide digital preservation services for the FDLP and other user communities. A Digital Content Lifecycle Management Plan was written to serve as the strategic plan for the digital preservation and lifecycle management of digital Federal Government information. The Plan, soon to be available on FDLP.gov in FY 2018, describes the authority, roles, and responsibilities, standards, and best practices for the creation and management of digital content in GPO’s system of record, FDsys/govinfo. The Plan and other organizational infrastructure improvements are also a part of LSCM’s commitment to the operational support and management of FDsys/govinfo as a trustworthy digital repository following the ISO16363:2012 standard. The work to achieve certification of FDsys/govinfo as a trustworthy digital repository is described in a separate section of the LSCM Year in Review.

The Preservation Program also developed the digital imaging requirements for the Blanket Purchasing Agreement for digital imaging work and the specifications for individual vendor task orders. Guidance documentation and specifications were written to assist Digital Content Contributor Partnerships to create digitally-imaged content that meets expert community best practices for long-term preservation as well as instructions on how to package digitally-imaged content for ingest into FDsys/govinfo. Additional documentation was written to provide libraries with guidance on what to do if a library collection is damaged in a flood and then has mold growing on their books.
A series of webinars on preservation topics was presented as part of the FDLP Academy webinar series. The hour-long webinars were developed and presented by the Preservation Librarian and included additional speakers from the FDLP as well as Federal agencies.

Preservation also improved its outreach and stakeholder communication by launching a new Preservation web page on FDLP.gov. Guidance documentation, as well as policies supporting preservation, disaster recovery information, and links to the preservation webinars, are all accessible from that page.

Questions and comments about LSCM’s Preservation Program can be sent to Preservefedinfo@gpo.gov.

Superintendent of Documents Policy Statements

LSCM began making the Superintendent of Documents Public Policy Statements (SOD-PPS) available on FDLP.gov in FY 2016 with the scope statements for the FDLP, the Cataloging and Indexing Program, and GPO’s System of Online Access.

LSCM will continue to add SOD-PPSs to the website according to priorities:

- Policies that are cited in public documents
- Policies that support the Trustworthy Digital Repository audit process
- New policies
- Other policies that are currently in effect.

Prior to making any current policies available on FDLP.gov, they will be reviewed, revised as appropriate, and cleared for public access.

In FY 2017, LSCM published the policy, “Harvesting Digital Federal Government Information Dissemination Products for GPO’s Superintendent of Documents Programs.”

 Depository Library Council

The FDLP community said goodbye to five members of the DLC when their terms ended in May 2017. GPO thanks them for their service to the FDLP.

- DLC Chair, Scott Matheson, Yale Law School
- Daniel O’Mahony, Brown University
- Daniel Cornwall, Alaska State Library
- Rich Gause, University of Central Florida
- Teri Taylor, New Jersey State Library

DLC member Karen Russ, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, assumed the role of Council Chair on June 1, 2017.

In June 2017, the FDLP community welcomed five new DLC members.

- Celina McDonald, University of Maryland, College Park
- Jane Canfield, Pontificia Universidad Católica
- Mary S. Clark, Library of Virginia
- Donna James, Valley City State University
- Erik Beck, University of Colorado Law School

The following DLC members continued their terms in FY 2017.

- Melissa Bernstein, University of Utah
- Jim Shaw, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- Marianne Mason, University of Iowa Libraries
- Thomas Fischlschweiger, Broward County Public Library
- Cass Hartnett, University of Washington Libraries
- Kirstin Krumsee, State Library of Ohio
- Lori Thornton, New Mexico State Library
- Mary Elizabeth (Beth) Williams, Robert Crown Law Library at Stanford Law School
- Robbie Sittel, University of North Texas, joined the DLC to resume the term of Marianne Mason, who retired.
- Yvonne Williams, Memphis Public Library, joined the DLC to resume the term of Erin Guss who was unable to complete her term due to other commitments.

Welcoming New Libraries to the FDLP

Two new libraries joined the FDLP in FY 2016.

- October 2015: the Institute of American Indian & Ilisagvik College, Tuzzy Consortium Library in Barrow, Alaska joined in December 2016 (now our northernmost FDL).
- Fort Stockton Public Library in Texas joined in May 2017.
Promoting the FDLP

LSCM continues to promote the FDLP, Cataloging & Indexing Program, and related resources through promotional campaigns and social media.

In FY 2017, LSCM:

- Created 208 posts related to the FDLP and Cataloging & Indexing (C&I) Program for GPO's social media channels.
- Conceptualized the FDLP Twitter campaign, #BensAdventures, which generated almost 60 tweets.
- Live-tweeted the 2016 DLC Meeting & FDL Conference and the 2017 DLC Virtual Meeting, which generated about 300 tweets.
- Contracted with North American Precis Syndicate (NAPS) to launch a media campaign that generated over 2,500 news articles in all 50 states with a readership of over 6,000,000.
- Made available two new promotional pages on FDLP.gov:
  - Celebrating December Holidays – a collection of photos and descriptions of how Federal depository libraries celebrate the month of December.
  - Obsolete Promo Items: What to Replace – an inventory of outdated promotional items that should be discarded and guidance on what to order to replace them.
- Made available a suite of new resources for commemorating depository anniversaries:
  - Custom anniversary logos for use in print or digital celebrations materials.
  - A press release template to alert the media about the anniversary and any related events.
- Made available three new tangible promotional items for free ordering by the FDLP community:
  - CGP pencils
  - Ben bookmarks
  - FDLP door/window decals

- Offered a ‘Celebrating Constitution Day’ packet, free to all Federal depository libraries. This included 50 Pocket Constitutions, 50 new Ben bookmarks, and 50 Government Information Notecards.
- Enhanced the ‘Celebrating Constitution Day’ page on FDLP.gov, providing 2017 celebration descriptions and photos from nationwide Federal depository libraries.

FDLP Connection

The FDLP Connection newsletter links members of the FDLP community to stories of interest on GPO activities, the FDLP, and Federal agencies. The newsletter highlights the great activities, events, and accomplishments that impact the FDLP.

Five issues of the FDLP Connection newsletter were published in FY 2017, which are all archived.

- November / December 2016
- January / February 2017
- March / April 2017
- May / June 2017
- July / August 2017

Depository Library Spotlights

In each issue of the FDLP Connection newsletter, LSCM highlights a Federal depository library and describes the unique services it offers. The feature also appears on GPO.gov. The following depositories were spotlighted in FY 2017:

- The University of California, San Diego, Geisel Library – December 2016
- Texas State University – San Marcos, Albert B. Alkek Library – February 2017
- Salisbury University Libraries – April 2017
- Rutgers University – Newark, John Cotton Dana Library – June 2017
- San Francisco Public Library – August 2017

Library Services System & The FDLP eXchange

Work continued in FY 2017 to establish a state-of-the-art technology platform to support the FDLP, known as the Library Services System (LSS). The goal of this effort has been to develop deep knowledge of the program user and what it means for service delivery
and design. During the first quarter of FY 2017, LSCM staff reviewed the results of the participatory Work-Practice Study of the FDLP conducted during FY 2016 by Dr. Nancy Foster under contract with GPO to better understand needs of the depository library users of GPO systems. A summary report of that study was released in February 2017, and requirements developed from recommendations of that study are being incorporated into the LSS Concept of Operations (ConOps).

One of the initial development efforts of the LSS is **FDLP eXchange**, an application intended to automate disposition processes for Federal depository libraries. An early version of the application was demonstrated at the 2016 Depository Library Council Meeting and Federal Depository Library Conference held in Arlington, Virginia. GPO worked with contractors on continued development to incorporate feedback received from libraries and to enhance security.

LSCM held a Virtual Meeting with regional depository libraries in April 2017 to demonstrate the application and discuss how the application could be implemented in their regions. Options discussed included using the application to manage the process in their regions or using it as a supplementary tool to offer materials outside their regions after they had been offered within their regions through existing processes. Using FDLP eXchange to post needs lists was discussed as another option. By August 2017, regionals representing 33 states, the District of Columbia, and two territories had indicated interest in full or partial adoption of the application for their regions.

On June 1, 2017, LSCM launched a collection of FDLP eXchange training resources. This included targeted webinars to demonstrate the application for selectives and for regionals, a collection of task-based webcasts to demonstrate how to execute specific tasks in the application, templates for creating spreadsheets of needs or offers to be uploaded into the application, a Data Dictionary to define the data elements used in the application, and Quick Start Guides for regionals and selectives to help them get started using the application. All of these resources are available from the FDLP eXchange page on FDLP.gov. In preparation for the launch of the FDLP eXchange, the National Needs & Offers List was retired on June 1, 2017. The launch of the FDLP eXchange will automate this process.

In September 2017, GPO issued a contract for a FEDRAMP compliant host site to ensure that the application is hosted in an environment that meets Federal security guidelines. Work continues to establish the production site in the new environment. LSCM heard from libraries that they would like the opportunity to learn to use the application in a sandbox environment where they could try it without impacting production data. To that end, GPO closed out FY 2017 putting the final touches on a training site version of the application scheduled for release in October 2017.

### Web Archiving

The **FDLP Web Archive** is comprised of selected U.S. Government websites harvested and archived in their entirety by GPO in order to create working “snapshots” of the websites at various points in time. The aim is to provide permanent public access to Federal Agency web content. GPO harvests and archives the websites with Archive-It, a subscription-based web harvesting and archiving service offered by the Internet Archive.

LSCM continues to harvest digital publications and websites, thereby advancing FDLP collection development efforts. In FY 2017, LSCM:

- Increased the size of the FDLP Web Archive collection to 12.4 TB.
- Increased website collections available on the FDLP Web Archive on Archive-It to 144 and 183 records available through the CGP.
- Continue to increase usage of Google analytics to evaluate user activity in more detail, evaluating where users are coming in, what they are looking at, and for how long.
- Presented the work LSCM has done with our Google Analytics to the Archive-It community. (GPO presentation begins at 24 minutes.)
- Presented an FDLP Academy webinar on using Web Archive content in Government information reference work.
- Developed an improved internal system for nominating domains, tracking workflow, and incorporating all pre-existing collections.
- Developed documents outlining known crawling issues and solutions.
- Worked on a new collection development strategy.

FY 2018 will see more new collections added to the FDLP Web Archive. There is an extensive project page on FDLP.gov that provides more information and FAQs on the Web Archiving program. GPO also encourages you to submit nominations for Web archiving to LSCM’s Web Archiving team.
End of Term (EOT) Presidential Harvest


This web harvest, like previous ones in 2008 and 2012, documented the Federal Government’s web presence during the transition of the Presidential administration as well as enhanced existing collections at partner institutions. This comprehensive crawl of the Federal Government web domains included as many .gov and .mil sites as feasible, Federal content in .edu and .com domains, and relevant social media content.

The EOT presidential crawl for 2016 received a considerable amount of press, which was archived and available through the End of Term 2016 Press collection on Archive-It. Through the EOT project’s public nomination form and through the collaboration with the DataRefuge, Environmental Data and Governance Initiative (EDGI), and other efforts, over 100,000 webpages or Government datasets were nominated for archiving. Over 200 terabytes of Government websites and data were archived, including over 100TB of public websites and over 100TB of public data from Federal FTP file servers, altogether totaling over 350 million URLs/files.

The full 2016 crawl is available through the Internet Archive. This content is being added to the main End of Term portal, where previous EOT archives are also available.

Disaster Preparedness & Response

In FY17, LSCM began to develop new processes for assisting libraries affected by disasters. Processes included: Communicating with libraries, their regionals, and the depository community; suspending shipments to affected libraries; and creating the What To Do If... series of informational handouts.

The What To Do If... series currently includes the following handouts:

- What To Do If Your Library Has Unplanned Access Restrictions
- What To Do If Your Library Books Have Mold

- What To Do If Your Library Has a Flood or Water Disaster

Look for additional What To Do If... documents coming soon on FDLP.gov’s Preservation Page.

Plans for FY18 include a series of webinars focused on disaster-related topics which will include depository coordinators and others experienced in disaster recovery.

Federal Agency Digital Publishing Case Studies

In November 2016, GPO entered into an Interagency Agreement with the Federal Research Division (FRD) of the Library of Congress. The agreement authorized the FRD to conduct a study, on behalf of GPO, to learn about how Federal agency information products, the dissemination of them, and their preservation practices have changed in the digital age.

Invited agencies participated in structured interviews that followed an agreed upon discussion guide. The guide was provided in advance to allay concerns and speed the interviews. Five major topics were addressed:

- Agency Publishing/Dissemination Activities.
- Open Access Policies.
- Product Formats and Dissemination Channels.
- Preservation Activities and Policies.
- Awareness of GPO’s Statutory Public Information Programs.

It is critical for the public information programs of the Superintendent of Documents to learn how agencies have adapted or changed their information policies and processes for the delivery of online content. Armed with this knowledge, GPO will be able to better foster productive, collaborative relationships with agencies and develop new strategies to transform our organization and workflows to facilitate increased discovery and access to Government information, through the Cataloging and Indexing Program and FDsys/govinfo, for the FDLP and the public at large.

The FRD will complete the final report of the study by the end of March 2018, and it will be shared with the depository community through FDLP.gov.
Public Libraries Report


This report was composed in response to Depository Library Council Recommendation #2 (spring 2015), which was presented to GPO after an increasing number of public libraries relinquished Federal depository library status.

The draft report was presented at the 2016 Depository Library Council Meeting & Federal Depository Library Conference. Feedback obtained during the session, as well as feedback that was sent to GPO via email through the end of November 2016, was incorporated into the final report.

Several of the recommendations made by LSCM in the report were implemented in FY17, including FDLP LibGuides; metadata assistance; continuing work on DSSIMS, the CGP, the Federal Depository Library Directory (FDLD), and FDLP.gov; attendance at the Public Library Association’s annual conference; and visits to public libraries.

FDLP Web Services

FDLP web services focus on website maintenance, including functionality and content enhancement for FDLP.gov and Ben’s Guide to the U.S. Government.

FDLP.gov

In FY 2017, LSCM:
- Implemented a new “Preservation” tab.
- Completed extensive design revisions of the newly-updated GPO Cataloging Guidelines to put them online as HTML as well as in PDF format. The online version is a living document which is updated frequently, and the PDF is to be updated twice a year.
- Implemented design/user interface enhancements throughout FY17.
- Implemented WEBTech Notes back-end clean-up. Functionality enhancements are coming by early spring 2018. These enhancements will include:
  - Reordering data in individual WTN. Front-end display enhancements making the application more user-friendly.
  - Updated Sort options.
  - Updated Help page.

Ben’s Guide to the U.S. Government

In FY 2017, LSCM implemented several enhancements including:
- A new mobile menu that gives easy access to all information on the website.
- Adjustments to the main menu to enhance access to Learning Adventures.
- Code cleanup in the back-end of the site.

FDLP Distribution Facilities

At GPO’s Distribution Facility in Laurel, Maryland, the GPO staff continues to distribute publications to nationwide Federal depository libraries and to international libraries participating in the International Exchange Service. In addition, this staff fulfills claims and special mailings of tangible items to FDLP libraries nationwide.

At GPO’s Distribution Facility in Pueblo, Colorado, the staff distributes FDLP promotional items to FDLP libraries nationwide. As of the end of FY 2016, the Pueblo staff managed the inventory and dissemination of 18 different types of FDLP handouts and promotional items.
FDLP Outreach: In-Person & Virtual Events

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  - Completing the Cataloging Record Distribution Program Profile
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  - Free Handouts about AIAN Health from the CDC and the Indian Health Service
  - Technical Preview of the New Census.gov Data Dissemination
  - More Government Information Veins from the HathiTrust Catalog
  - OSHA's Web Pages: A Wealth of Occupational Safety Information
  - Measuring America Series: Accessing International Data
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Under the requirements of sections 1710 and 1711 of Title 44, U.S.C., GPO is charged with cataloging a comprehensive index of public documents issued or published by the Federal Government that are not confidential in character. The goals of the Cataloging and Indexing Program are to:

- Develop a comprehensive and authoritative national bibliography of U.S. Government publications
- Increase the visibility and use of Government information products
- Create a premier destination for information searchers

This undertaking serves libraries and the public nationwide and enables people to locate desired Government publications in all formats. The main public interface for the access of cataloging records is the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications.

**PURL Update to HTTPS**

The White House, via OPM’s Chief Information Officer, mandated that all public-facing websites of the Federal Government implement HTTPS. LSCM’s response to this mandate was to acquire and install a Secure Socket Layers (SSL) certificate to provide trusted authentication using the secure HTTPS protocol. The HTTPS protocol encrypts all information passing to and from the web server resulting in secure communication with the users and the server, preventing any unauthorized access to the information passed through the server. LSCM configured the webservers for purl.fdlp.gov and purlreferrals.fdlp.gov to respond only to HTTPS protocol requests and request a secure session when the user attempts to access the server via the unsecured HTTP protocol. This action has improved the overall security of the PURLs application by providing a more secure environment for our FDLP Community’s use.

**National Bibliographic Records Inventory Initiative**

The identification and creation of online bibliographic catalog records for new U.S. Government publications, in all published formats, is accomplished through daily operations. A separate retrospective effort is necessary to build online bibliographic records for historical and fugitive (uncataloged but relevant) materials. This is the effort known as the National Bibliographic Records Inventory Initiative (NBRII).

The NBRII endeavors to provide online bibliographic records or serial holding records for historical records not currently captured in the CGP. These records include:

- Fugitive materials, with a focus on publications issued prior to 1976.
- Older publications where bibliographic records exist only in a non-electronically available resource, i.e., catalog card, or other paper bibliographic record, such as the Monthly Catalog.
- Materials that were previously cataloged with such minimal information that they require critical record enhancement to reach a full-level bibliographic record.

In support of this initiative, in FY 2017, LSCM:

- Continued creating bibliographic records from 12 SuDoc classes (University of Montana).
- Completed adding bibliographic records for the print USGS Bulletins to the CGP (University of Colorado, Boulder partnership). A total of 2,063 records were added to the CGP as a result of the partnership.
- Completed adding bibliographic records for the electronic USGS Bulletins to the CGP (Colorado School of Mines partnership). A total of 3,128 records were added to the CGP as a result of the partnership.
- Began adding bibliographic records for the print versions of the Bureau of Mines Report of Investigations through a partnership with the University of Colorado, Boulder. 948 records were added to the CGP as a result of this partnership.
- Began adding bibliographic records for the electronic versions of the USGS Professional Papers through a partnership with the Colorado School of Mines. 805 records were added to the CGP as a result of this partnership.
- Completed cataloging the historic print Congressional Hearings and Prints collection acquired from a depository library.
Catalog of U.S. Government Publications

FY 2017 saw an exciting milestone with GPO’s Catalog of U.S. Government Publications – Over 1 million bibliographic records are now available via the CGP, with over 175,000 of them having PURLs! What’s more, approximately 195 countries/entities have accessed the CGP!

This fiscal year, the Integrated Library System (ILS) was upgraded with ongoing security and maintenance updates taking place regularly.

As part of the CGP’s 10th-anniversary enhancements cycles, the following was implemented in FY17:

- A new look and feel for the CGP
  - Easier navigation and search options
  - Catalog to Search options on Basic Search pages
  - Exact Title Keyword Search
  - CGP Help pages
- New Catalogs to Search Pages
  - Government eBooks
  - FDLP Web Archive
- Improved Catalog to Search Pages
  - Historic Shelflist
  - Electronic Titles
  - Serials
- Improved Author Sort
- CGP Record Link
- Updated and Enhanced FDLD fields/functionality
- Monthly Regularly-Scheduled Maintenance Window
  - The CGP, MetaLib, and FDLD now have a scheduled monthly maintenance window of 8 p.m. (Eastern) every third Wednesday. This allows for regular performance and security updates.
- New MetaLib Resources
  - ClinicalTrials.gov
  - DHS FOIA
  - DHS Publications Library
  - Drugs@FDA
  - Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)
  - govtinfo
  - National Technical Reports Library (NTRL Public Access)
  - NOAA Library and Information Network Catalog
- NPS LIBRIS
- Science.gov
- U.S. Naval Academy Library Catalog
- USDA Food Composition Database
- Updated MetaLib Resources
  - AUL Index to Military Periodicals
  - Federal Reserve Board: Finance and Economic Discussion Series
  - Federal Reserve Board: International Finance Discussion Papers Federal Reserve Board: Reports to Congress
  - Federal Reserve Board: Speeches and Testimony
  - Federal Reserve Board: Staff Studies
  - National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
  - National Transportation Library (NTL) Catalog
  - National Transportation Library (NTL) Digital Repository
  - National Transportation Library (NTL) - Integrated Search TRIS Online
  - National Transportation Library (NTL) Transportation Websites
  - Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Patent Database
  - U.S. Geological Survey Library Catalog
  - U.S. Army War College

Superintendent of Documents Classification Guidelines

The Superintendent of Documents Classification Guidelines project is a revision of the print 1993 GPO Classification Manual. LSCM uses the Superintendent of Documents classification scheme to classify U.S. Government publications in both tangible and electronic formats. The 1993 Manual is the guide to the SuDocs scheme and the established reference tool for classification of U.S. Government publications, but much has changed since its publication. The lack of an integrated, current source for guidance poses challenges for classifiers in applying consistent and correct classification decisions.

The online format greatly expands access to the classification scheme and makes it easy to make changes or corrections. It will be the current, authoritative version of SuDocs classification rules,
with a ‘Date Published’ and a ‘Date Last Updated’ time stamp for reference. SuDocs examples will link to CGP catalog records; most records have PURLs linking to full-text. There will be links to helpful reference sources used in researching classification numbers such as the CGP, FDsys/govinfo, WEBTech Notes, as well as relevant webinars and webcasts on SuDocs classification. The design is responsive to multiple screen sizes and adapts for a tablet or mobile device, but the online format is print-friendly, and individual articles can be emailed.

The project to update content in the Manual began in the fall of 2015. In FY 2017, work continued on refining the updated, revised content and uploading sections to their new online home. Testing of the online format and tweaking of design elements is ongoing. Once content is finalized, it will be published and announced on FDLP.gov. The goal is to launch before the end of the 2017 calendar year.

Cataloging Guidelines

Based on new and updated GPO cataloging/metadata policies and procedures, the following revisions have been incorporated into GPO Cataloging Guidelines in FY 2017:

- **Bibliographic Cataloging: General MARC Field Policy 490 Series Treatment Policy:**
  To focus LSCM’s resources and time most efficiently with respect to series, GPO discontinued series authority work for:
  - When series were not issued by a U.S. Government agency.
  - When the series had already ceased when GPO staff encounter them.
  - Series of short duration.
  - Series of indefinite publication status.

- **Bibliographic Cataloging: General MARC Field Policy 856 – Historic URLs**
  To clarify the purpose of the historic URLs, LSCM has started to include the public note, Address at Time of PURL Creation, to all historic URL fields.

- **Bibliographic Cataloging: Subject Cataloging: General Policies**
  LSCM has begun to expand the use of the Library of Congress Genre/Form Terms for Library and Archival Materials. These terms describe what a resource is, such as an annual report or environmental impact statement, rather than what the resource is about. Previously, LSCM limited the assignment of these terms to certain types of materials, such as audiovisual, cartographic, and Congressional resources. The new practice provides additional access points for Government publications.

- **Bibliographic Cataloging: Continuing Resources**
  LSCM has begun to employ selective registration for ISSN assignments. In that, LSCM will not submit requests for serials of:
  - Annual and progress reports of such entities as national forests.
  - Limited duration serials for relatively small programs.
  - Frequently-but-irregularly revised monographs such as local guides and consumer updates that are treated as serials.
  - Works that do not demonstrate stable issuance, e.g., works with multiple gaps between issues, such as an “annual report” for which four volumes are published in a 10-year period; or, works for which agency commitment to continuation and maintenance is questionable.

This fiscal year, new features and enhancements were incorporated in the functionality of the GPO Cataloging Guidelines page on FDLP.gov. First, the search functionality has been upgraded. A search of the page scans the Cataloging Guidelines for the exact word or phrase entered – quotes aren’t needed. The results page provides full titles of the chapters found, links to the chapters, and snippets of text of the chapters. A PDF of the published chapters is also available for a handy compilation of the guidelines. Finally, a spreadsheet of major revisions to the content of the Cataloging Guidelines is now available. It provides a summary list of new and updated chapters, sections, and policies and will be updated on a continual basis.
The Cataloging Record Distribution Program (CRDP) provides GPO-produced catalog records to participating Federal depository libraries at no cost to the libraries, through a contract with MARCIVE, Inc.

The CRDP started in 2009 and has expanded each year. In FY 2017, LSCM served 165 Federal depository libraries through the CRDP. This is an increase of 30 libraries over FY 2016.

Because of the unusually large number of libraries which joined in FY16, a webcast, “Completing the Cataloging Record Distribution Program Profile,” was made available to help address questions about the process to join the CRDP.

In FY 2017, 21 library staff volunteered to serve as ‘CRDP Buddies,’ or practitioners who offer to help librarians at other CRDP libraries who requested CRDP assistance. Finally, a webinar, Cataloging Record Distribution Program Workflows, was presented on September 7, 2017, featuring a MARCIVE presenter and librarians from three participating CRDP libraries.

For more information on the program, how to join, participation requirements, and more, visit the CRDP page on FDLP.gov. For FY 2018, GPO has 180 spots available in the CRDP!

As authorized by Section 1719 of Title 44, U.S.C., and pursuant to an international treaty establishing the exchange of official publications, GPO distributes tangible Government publications to foreign governments in an exchange program managed by the Library of Congress (LC). Those foreign governments agree to send to the United States similar publications of their governments for LC collections. The following statistics reflect IES activity for FY 2017.

Distributed IES Publications:
- Full Sets: 105,732
- Congressional Record: 3,768
- Federal Register: 6,490
- Serial Set (MF): 35,352
- Serial Set (Paper): 148
- Total Boxes Shipped: 1,438

LSCM administers the distribution of certain tangible publications as specified by Public Law. Under various provisions of Title 44, U.S.C., GPO is required to provide copies of publications to certain Federal agencies and others as directed by Congress. Two or more copies of every publication printed are provided to the Library of Congress, even if those publications are not distributed to Federal depository libraries. In addition, NARA receives up to three copies of every publication GPO prints. On behalf of the Department of State, LSCM distributes copies of publications to foreign legions. LSCM maintains mailing lists for By-Law distribution of specific publications.
METRICS

The following statistics reflect notable LSCM metrics for FY 2017:

- Total titles cataloged: 21,825
- Number of serial issues checked-in: 34,302
- Searches of the CGP: 33,169,429
- Total PURLs created: 10,850
- Total titles distributed: 4,195
- Total copies distributed: 921,828
- Number of Federal depository libraries: 1,143
- Total titles available through GPO: 2,199,910
- Number of askGPO inquiries resolved: 3,676

CLOSING

As we continue the strong partnership between GPO and FDLP libraries, communication remains integral to our collaborative success. There are several mechanisms by which FDLP libraries can contact GPO:

1. Reach GPO staff members on any topic related to GPO, the FDLP, and FDsys using askGPO.
2. Contact LSCM’s Office of Outreach and Support with any questions related to depository operations, guidance, legal requirements, training, library visits, anniversary celebrations, and more.

There are a number of mechanisms by which GPO disseminates information that is relevant to the FDLP community.

1. Subscribe to receive FDLP News and Events alerts via email. These are important announcements that all FDLP libraries should be receiving.
2. Subscribe to the FDLP Connection, our bi-monthly newsletter for project updates, news, and information about the FDLP and U.S. Government information.
3. Visit FDLP.gov for any information you need related to the administration and management of your depository library.
4. Follow GPO on social media, and send us news and updates from your library. Your library could be featured by GPO on its social media sites:
   - Facebook
   - Twitter
   - Instagram
   - YouTube
   - Pinterest
   - LinkedIn
   - Government Book Talk Blog
Everyone at GPO sincerely thanks the FDLP community for their continued support and invaluable service to the public in FY 2017 and beyond.
Federal Government information is made available for free public use in Federal depository libraries throughout the U.S. in approximately 1,150 locations.