

Marketing & Outreach for Your Collection

Below is a brief list of core sources to consider when exploring marketing, outreach, and promotional activities for Federal depository collections and services.

Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) Sources

FDLP Academy Training Repository—Outreach/Marketing/Promotion

https://www.fdlp.gov/training-tags/122

Offers webinars and webcasts including those under the subject tag, "outreach/marketing/promotion," that are created to enhance government information knowledge; presented by GPO, other Federal agencies, and the FDLP community.

FDLP—Promotion

https://www.fdlp.gov/promotion

Contains information on promoting Federal depository libraries in your community; includes links to specific types of promotional efforts such as "Anniversary Celebrations" and "Website Wednesdays."

FDLP Depository Operation Training Series—Promotion, Responsibilites, and Trends

https://fdlp.gov/training/fdlp-depository-operation-training-series

Offers recorded webcasts on managing depository collections in compliance with the Legal Requirements & Program Regulations of the FDLP.

The Essential FDLP

https://fdlp.gov/about/the-essential-fdlp

Provides a collection of inspirational stories, testimonials, and short videos about the importance, value, and vital nature of the FDLP and Government information. See also the 1996 publication from the Depository Library Council, Fulfilling Madison's Vision: The Federal Depository Library Program.

https://permanent.access.gpo.gov/converted content/gpo7351/GP32M26.pdf

FDLP Resource Guides

https://libguides.fdlp.gov/

Provides information about the Federal Government and FDLP operations and services; includes a variety of promotional topics such as the "Constitution" and "Education."

Government Documents Round Table (GODORT) Sources

Help! I'm an Accidental Government Information Librarian Webinar Series

https://www.ala.org/rt/godort/HelpWebinars

Offers a series of webinars designed to help improve services by increasing the familiarity with government information resources.

GODORT LibGuides

https://godort.libguides.com/

Provides information about the Federal Government and FDLP operations, services and collections; includes a variety of promotional topics such as "Exhibits and Displays" and "Constitution Day Celebrations Guide."

GODORT Friday Chats

https://godort.libguides.com/fridaychats

Allows participants to informally meet and talk about a variety of discussion topics and issues in government information; typically scheduled twice a month for the GODORT community and friends.

A popular government without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a Prologue to a Farce or a Tragedy; or, perhaps, both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance; and a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives.

—James Madison letter to W.T. Barry, August 4, 1822^{1.2}

¹ Depository Library Council. Fulfilling Madison's Vision: The Federal Depository Library Program. (Washington, D.C.: G.P.O., 1996).

² Barry, W.T, and James Madison. *James Madison to W.T. Barry, August 4*. August 4, 1822. Manuscript/Mixed Material. https://www.loc.gov/item/mjm018999/.