Cataloging Record Distribution Program
Nationwide Federal Depository Library Program
The Cataloging Record Distribution Program (CRDP)

The Cataloging Record Distribution Program (CRDP) provides GPO produced catalog records to participating Federal depository libraries at no cost to the libraries.

In response to requests from Federal depository libraries for the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) to provide customized catalog records sets, GPO established the CRDP and contracts with MARCIVE, Inc. to provide the bibliographic records service.

More than one in five Federal depository libraries, of all sizes and types, with many different library systems, participate in this program.

Benefits include:

- No cost. The CRDP is a benefit of participation in the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP).
- Enhanced discovery and access through your local library catalog to the Federal publications of most interest to your community.
- Receipt of quality catalog records that match your FDLP item selection profile.
- Option to:
  - Receive new records or new and changed records.
  - Configure the record files received with select customization options.
  - Receive a monthly list of publication titles corresponding to your cataloging files.
  - Acquire records without item numbers or with inactive numbers, typically from a special project such as the digitization of the U.S. Congressional Serial Set.
  - Have records sent to OCLC for the purpose of setting holdings.
  - Request a referral to experienced “CRDP Buddies” for real-world advice.
  - Assess your library’s item selection profile with help from GPO Outreach Librarians.

Contact

To inquire about joining the program or to learn more, including minimal participation requirements, contact GPO’s Federal Depository Support Services or MARCIVE, Inc.

GPO’s Federal Depository Support Services at ask.GPO.gov, 202-512-1119

- MARCIVE, Inc. – info@marcive.com, 800-531-7678

For more information, visit:

- https://home.marcive.com/cataloging-record-distribution-project/
What participants are saying about the CRDP:

“Our students have been able to use newer and more readily available Government publications because of our participation in this program. We have a very small staff and this program, working with our consortium partners, is a great benefit to our community. We greatly appreciate this service.”

—Lisa Pritchard, Jefferson College Library

“The CRDP has been a key component in our transition to a mostly-electronic collection.”

—Kathy Piselli, Fulton County Library System

“This system is very useful and saves us hundreds of hours of cataloging time.”

—Margaret Sylvia, St. Mary’s University Louis J. Blume Library