

ANNUAL REPORT AND GOALS & OBJECTIVES

1. Committee/Division:

Children's Services Division

2. Submitted by:

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4. Please list any professional development programs (conference sessions, webinars, etc.) and dates:

Youth Services Manager Meetup (virtual) 3/12 3-4 PM

Youth Services Manager Meetup (virtual) 6/25 3-4 PM

Youth Services Manager Meetup (virtual) 10/29 3-4 PM

PLA Preconference: Public Libraries and Schools: Everything You Need to Know about the Science of Reading, 4/2/24 2-5 PM

PLA Program: Baby Time Boredom: Building Culturally Responsive Programming for Ages 0–3 presented by CSD members Annamarie Carlson & Sarah Simpson

Overview of the Science of Reading in Ohio webinar, 3/14/24 2-3 PM

Professional Development for Ohio's Public Libraries on the Science of Reading webinar, 4/11/24 1-2 PM

5. Briefly describe any printed or digital communications:

Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter Email Newsletters to OLC Children's Division Members

Average 58% open rate among 418 recipients

Tabled at LJ & SLJ Public Library Youth Services Leadership Summit, Cuyahoga County Public Library, September 26-27, 2024

6. Briefly describe any new partnerships or initiatives:

Ohio Ready to Read - see Ohio Ready to Read annual report

7. Please list goals and objectives for next year:

Providing Continuing Education for Library Staff

Offer a minimum of two continuing education opportunities for library staff directly related to OLC core competencies, virtually or in person.

Develop at least one program proposal for Convention and Expo

Develop at least one program proposal for each of the standalone conferences

Past coordinator will arrange YS Manager Meetups

Supporting Families & Caregivers

Provide and support trainings/resources that encourage developmentally appropriate best practices in Ohio public libraries via the Ohio Ready to Read Task Force.

Ohio Ready to Read trainings

Storytime 101 trainings

Provide information on how library staff can support caregivers in their role as a child's first teacher

Early literacy initiatives like the Ohio Family Literacy Calendar

Spotlight programs and initiatives around the state that support school-family connection

Supporting Library Staff

Update members on sponsored activities and support two-way communication through the publication of a regular electronic newsletter

Coordinate communication spaces and resources specifically for Youth Managers and Supervisors

In collaboration with Management and Administration, compile and share resources in the OLC Resources page to support new supervisors.

In collaboration with the Teen Services Division, compile and share resources in the OLC New Member Info Hub to support non-youth services staff in working with young patrons

8. Additional Notes/Comments:
