

# DIVISIONS

OLC has 15 Divisions, each with a particular library specialty or type of library as its focal point.

Each Division has an Action Council that is elected by the members of the Division.

These Action Councils plan programs for many of OLC's conferences. They may also plan and produce workshops on specific topics during the year. Other activities may include electronic communications, surveys, and publications of interest to division members.

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## **ADULT SERVICES**

Provides information regarding library services for adults to all library directors, staff, trustees, and Friends, and provides a forum for discussion of the issues and concerns relating to adult services work.

## **CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

Dedicated to assisting children's services providers in their development as professionals and in helping all children achieve their highest potential through the use and enjoyment of library services.

## **CUSTOMER SERVICE AND SUPPORT STAFF**

Provides opportunities for the exchange of ideas and assessment of employee concerns along with educational and networking opportunities in areas of interest to the membership. Division members include but are not limited to circulation services, information services, technical services, and office personnel.

## **DIGITAL AND MEDIA SERVICES**

Addresses advancements in and changes to technology, format, copyright, and policies; devoted to assisting public library staff in their development as professionals in helping all patrons access information across all formats.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION**

Strives to enhance excellence in Ohio library staffs through training and human resource development of all library personnel through information and educational programming.

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Serves library IT staff by creating opportunities to learn about, explore, and promote the use of information technology and its evolving impact on library services.

## **LIBRARY ACCOUNTING**

Addresses the special interests and continuing education needs of library fiscal officers, bookkeepers, accountants, directors, and others interested in the accounting function within the library; updates the *Ohio Public Library Accounting Handbook*; and provides workshops on areas of interest.

## **MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION**

Serves administrators, managers, and supervisors by creating opportunities to exchange ideas and information and build skills and knowledge in the areas of leadership, planning, management principles, trends, and obtaining and allocating funds.

### **MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Provides for sharing and developing new ideas and techniques in the fields of public relations and community education; provides educational programs for OLC professional development events.

### **OUTREACH AND SPECIAL SERVICES**

Identifies and assess outreach opportunities and gives guidance for service to diverse populations, including people with disabilities, seniors, those who are institutionalized, and other groups.

### **REFERENCE AND INFORMATION SERVICES**

Provides a forum for the discussion and dissemination of reference service issues and concerns as well as continuing education and training opportunities for reference librarians and reference support staff in an effort to assist all of Ohio's library customers in the effective use of online and traditional information and reference services.

### **SMALL LIBRARIES**

Represents the interests of small libraries and provides a forum for discussion for administrators, staff members, and trustees on issues of particular concern to small libraries defined as libraries with an annual operating budget under \$1 million and a service population of less than 20,000.

### **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

Promotes and develops Ohio's special collection services, focusing on document, manuscript, photograph, and oral history collections related to local history, genealogy, and unique subjects.

### **TECHNICAL SERVICES**

Gathers, organizes, and shares information concerning the acquisition, cataloging, processing, and preservation of all types of library materials, giving particular attention to new technology which may affect the technical services area.

### **TEEN SERVICES**

Advocates for teens and support library professionals in their mission to grow and strengthen services to teens.

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For more information on OLC's Divisions including Action Council contact information and annual objectives, visit the OLC website.