

# Memo

**To:** Montana State Library Commission

**From:** Sarah McHugh, Director Statewide Library Resources  
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**Date:** November 22, 2013

**Re: Recommendation from the Network Advisory Council meeting of  
November 12, 2013**

The funding gap for this year's OCLC Group Services contract was smaller than budgeted for, and \$15,000 in remaining FY2012 LSTA funds was put toward the \$30,000 that had been assigned in the FY13 LSTA budget toward reducing the costs to libraries for this contract. In addition, \$10,673 in remaining FY2012 LSTA funds was applied to the cost of the Fall 2013 Fall Workshop, reducing those FY2013 LSTA expenditures. Therefore, \$61,001 in remaining FY2013 LSTA is available to be reassigned to statewide projects.

The Network Advisory Council recommends that these amounts be assigned to these statewide projects:

\$25,000 to fund the 2014 Fall Workshop

\$3,000 to put toward the Spring 2014 Ready2Read Rendezvous to compensate for expenses incurred as a result of the Rendezvous postponement during the federal government shutdown

\$4,500 to provide additional funding for Montana Memory Project digitization projects

\$5,000 to fund training sessions in succession planning for Montana library administrators and trustees

\$5,000 to fund the integration of Montana State Library content (MT Field Guide and GIS Portal) into statewide Discover It profiles

\$1,235 to purchase 250GB of additional storage space for the Montana Memory Project

\$15,000 to fund multiple traveling makerspace kits and program planning for Montana libraries

\$2,000 to fund a scholarship to the 2014 American Library Association conference for a Montana librarian

In other action, the Council approved its FY2014 work plan.

Meeting dates for 2014 are:

March 11: Helena

May 13: Helena

July 8: (Retreat): Location TBD

November 6: Helena