

# Memo

**To:** Montana State Library Commission

**From:** Evan Hammer, Digital Library Director

**Date:** February 8, 2019

**Re: Draft Montana State Library (MSL) Collection Development Policy**

Staff presents for Commission review a revised draft collection development policy at the February meeting. Staff will request that the Commission adopt the updated policy in April.

The revised policy combines and updates the MSL Collection Development Policy and the Talking Book Library (TBL) Collection Development Policy, a change necessary because of the merger of TBL under the Digital Library following the 2017 budget cuts. Additional updates reflect the newly adopted administrative rules for the state depository program and the fully digital make-up of the state and federal publications collection. Staff further proposes that MSL begin to collect county websites in a web archive as part of a wider government information center concept to encourage MSL and all Montana libraries to embrace the role of government information centers for Montana.

Existing policies are available online:

MSL Policy:

[http://docs.msl.mt.gov/Central\\_Services/Staff\\_Handbook/comm\\_pols/22\\_colldev.pdf](http://docs.msl.mt.gov/Central_Services/Staff_Handbook/comm_pols/22_colldev.pdf)

TBL Policy:

[http://docs.msl.mt.gov/Central\\_Services/Staff\\_Handbook/comm\\_pols/43\\_tbl\\_colldev.pdf](http://docs.msl.mt.gov/Central_Services/Staff_Handbook/comm_pols/43_tbl_colldev.pdf)