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WNYLRC has compiled this directory of various grants available to libraries. Keep checking as we continue to add more grants to this list.

New! WNYLRC Action Grants for 2021-22!

Immersive Experiences Action Grant

The Immersive Experiences Action Grant is offered by WNYLRC for 2021-22 to assist members in purchasing digital photography equipment and creating photographic collections of historic or cultural significance to New York State and Western New York. WNYLRC provides and facilitates access to the Empire State Immersive Experiences (ESIE) database containing 360-degree panoramic photographs of historic and significant places. To facilitate members in the creation of their own panorama, we offer the this grant opportunity. Members are eligible for a single grant of up to $750 to purchase a 360-degree camera and associated equipment that they will use to create a panorama project for upload into ESIE.

This grant will run from mid-October 2021 to March 2022. We have up to FOUR slots available for this fiscal year. Grants will be evaluated on an ongoing monthly basis. The deadline for submission is the LAST FRIDAY of each...
month. Notifications of receipt will be sent, and awardees will be notified during the last full week of the following month (i.e. grants submitted by 11/26 will be evaluated and awardees notified the week of 12/26). The dates for final submission this year are: November 26, December 31, January 28, February 25, and March 25. Grant awards will continue until March OR until grant funds are exhausted.

The application can be completed either in PDF and submitted by email to jbarone@wnylrc.org or submitted directly online using the Wufoo form.

**Grant Materials**

**Due date:** Ongoing (see above)

Guidelines

Fillable PDF Application

Online Wufoo application (must be completed in one sitting)

**Information about Empire State Immersive Experiences:**

ESIE - Empire State Immersive Experiences (website)

Creating Immersive Experiences with ESIE and Archipelago (video presentation)

Empire State Immersive Experiences Project: Capture Reality at Your Library (video presentation)

**Institutional state-funded grant programs administered by WNYLRC:**

- Regional Bibliographic Data Bases and Interlibrary Resources Sharing Program (RBDB) supports regional projects and member grants to libraries and library systems
- Coordinated Collection Development Aid (CCDA) provides additional funding to academic libraries for coordinated collection development

**Regional Bibliographic Data Bases and Interlibrary Resources Sharing Program (RBDB)**

The Regional Bibliographic Data Bases and Interlibrary Resources Sharing Program is a grant from New York State (NYS) which provides approximately $230,000/yr to fund projects that will benefit the region's libraries. The actual funding amount is dependent on the annual NYS budget. This funding allows WNYLRC to support projects, programs, and initiatives in Western New York libraries.

RBDB Regulations 90.19

RBDB Law 273

RBDB Law 273 (Guidelines)
2021 RBDB Invitational Grants

WNYLRC is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2021 RBDB Invitational Grants! Listed are the awardee institutions, their project titles, and amount funded.

- Buffalo Broadcasters Association - *U-matic Tape Digitization Project*, $15,000
- Burchfield Penney Art Center - *Digitization of the Challenger Newspaper*, $10,729
- SUNY Buffalo State - *Buffalo Courier-Express Newspaper Microfilm to Digital Conversation*, $30,000
- University at Buffalo - *Buffalo Evening News Reformatting Project Part III*, $22,500

Access and Innovation Grants

WNYLRC member libraries and library systems are invited once a year to submit grant applications for the competitive Access and Innovation Grants (formerly known as the RBDB Member Project Grants) program. Grant guidelines, application and other information are available midsummer. Notification are sent to the Main Contact for each WNYLRC member library and library system eligible to participate. Please read the guidelines carefully prior to submitting and application.

2018 Grant Writing Workshop PowerPoint

**2021/2022 Grant Application Materials:**
**Deadline:** 4:30 PM on Friday, November 5th, 2021

- Application Guidelines
- Cover Letter 2021
- Final Report 2021
- Application 2021
- Application Checklist
- Grant Tips
- Application Timeline
- Copyright Agreement
- Project Completion Checklist

Example of a well written RBDB Grant: Application and Final Report

Coordinated Collection Development Aid (CCDA)

CCDA stands for Coordinated Collection Development Aid. This New York State grant provides approximately $161,000 to fund collection development to 16 academic libraries in the Western New York region. (Buffalo State College, Canisius College, Daemen College, D'Youville College, Erie Community College, Genesee Community College, Hilbert College, Jamestown Community College, Medaille College, Niagara County Community College, Niagara University, St. Bonaventure University, State University College at Fredonia, University at Buffalo, State University of New York, Trocaire College, and Villa Maria College).

Overall, New York State grants more than $1.5M for 183 academic libraries across the state. The purpose of CCDA
is to enhance regional resource sharing by supporting academic libraries to build their collections in specific subject areas. The result is access to more resources and richer collections.

The funds are allocated via a formula that adds a per-student amount to a base grant. The academic libraries fill out an annual application showing that their library budgets are being maintained at 95% of the average of the previous two years' budgets. This is called "maintenance of effort" and shows that they are not reducing their budgets because of the grant money they receive.

WNYLRC coordinates the distribution and collection of the applications, but the money is sent directly to the academic institutions. To view the NYSED Grants Finance Office to see reports: http://www.oms.nysed.gov/cafe/reports/

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**American Rescue Plan Act Grant (ARPA)**

WNYLRC is now accepting applications for special grants in the areas of Digital Inclusion, Library/Museum Partnerships, and School Library System Digital Resource Projects. To view the specific guidelines and application for this grant, please visit our ARPA Grant LibGuide*. There are three categories you can apply under, so select the appropriate tab to find the category application you need.

The deadline for the ARPA grant funding is **November 15, 2021**. Please contact any WNYLRC staff member for assistance.

*This current funding program is made available through American Rescue Plan Act funds that were distributed to NYS Library and Division of Library Development (DLD).