Grants

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)

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

2020 Grant Application Materials:
Deadline: 4:30 pm - Friday, November 1, 2019

Cover Letter
Guidelines
Grant Application (Fillable PDF)  Online Wufoo application form (must be completed in one sitting)
Right to Use Agreement .doc
RBDB Grant Writing Tip Sheet
Check List of Materials
Timeline
Coordinated Collection Development Aid (CCDA)

CCDA stands for Coordinated Collection Development Aid. This New York State grant provides approximately $139,000 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.

2018 WNYLRC CCDA Plan
CCDA Regulations 90.15
CCDA Law 273