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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Public Library System

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM EVALUATION  
 AND COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS**

The following statement certifies that your public library system complied with all statutory requirements for public library systems for calendar year 2006. Indicate, with a check, your system's compliance with each of the system requirements.

**S.43.24(2) For a public library system to qualify for and maintain its eligibility for state aid under this section, it shall ensure that all of the following are provided:**

**Membership Agreements**

- (a) Written agreements to provide, to any resident of the system area, the same library services, on the same terms, that are provided to the residents of the municipality or county that established the member library except for the group programming preference authorized under s. 43.15(4)(c)4, and to provide for the interlibrary loan of materials among all participating public libraries, as evidenced by agreements with those libraries.
- Copies of the most recent agreements have been filed with the Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning.

**Resource Library Agreement**

- (b) Backup reference, information, and interlibrary loan services from the system resource library, including the development of and access to specialized collections, as evidenced by a written agreement with that library.
- Signed copies of the 2006 and 2007 resource library agreements have been filed with the division.

Others Specify:

1. Member libraries will be encouraged to adhere to the system principle of full service access [s.43.24 (2)(a)], as this is a basic statutory condition of system membership as well as the foundation of a good public library system. (Ongoing)
2. SCLS staff, member libraries, and trustees will actively work toward maintenance of this principle through seeking full statutory system funding in order to reimburse member libraries with the combination of goods and services required to convince them to maintain this access. (Ongoing)
3. SCLS staff, member libraries, and trustees will further attempt to obtain such other state funding and legislation as will convince member libraries to maintain their system membership. (Ongoing)
4. The written agreement between SCLS and the member libraries is reviewed annually by PLAC and, if necessary, updated. It is understood that the written agreement with members may not include requirements that exceed the provisions of the statutes. Ongoing

**Reference Referral and Interlibrary Loan**

**S. 43.24(2)(d) Referral or routing of reference and interlibrary loan requests from libraries within the system to libraries within and outside the system.**

Indicate with a check those services carried out by your system in **2006** in conjunction with this service requirement.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reimbursed member libraries for ILL | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maintained a shared database of member library bibliographic records and holdings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintained ILL Clearinghouse                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Utilized WISCAT to promote interlibrary loan   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracted for ILL Clearinghouse    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maintained a system interlibrary loan plan.                                       |

Others Specify:

1. Helped member libraries fund and operate a shared automated system (LINK) to enhance resource sharing throughout the South Central area and maintained a shared database of member library bibliographic records and holdings. SCLS continued to provide in-kind services to LINK ranging from business, personnel, and general management services to public relations support and undertook

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other tasks needed to ensure that the migration to a new generation of automated system might be undertaken during 2006. (Ongoing - Horizon installation now anticipated in 2007.)

2. Continued the SCLS annual contribution to LINK. In keeping with the LINK contract, SCLS continued to contribute to LINK an amount which increased by an amount equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (urban). (Ongoing)
3. In order to facilitate ease of access to all member library resources for all SCLS patrons, continued to work toward LINK membership (or a group catalog of the holdings of LINK and non-LINK member libraries on OCLC WorldCat) for all system member libraries. (Ongoing)
4. Continued to provide our system resource library with the necessary funding to provide backup reference, information and interlibrary loan services on behalf of all our member libraries. (Ongoing)
5. Continued to use OCLC WorldCat for most interlibrary loan activities. (Ongoing)
6. Continued to provide an incentive for the efforts of those libraries that are net lenders by reimbursing member public libraries for ILL net lending, as budgeted. (Ongoing)
7. Continued to study and improve ILL services in the SCLS area. (Ongoing)
8. Continued to coordinate the maintenance of an online Union List of Serials. ENDED IN 2006
9. Continued to provide online full-text resources and authentication services so that these and other resources, such as BadgerLink, are readily available to area residents. (Ongoing)
10. Continued to make LINKcat holdings available on WISCAT. (Ongoing)
11. Maintained an SCLS ILL web page and continue to provide other support required to enable effective interlibrary loan service. (Ongoing)
12. Continued working to fulfill the charge of the SCLS Reference Committee. (Ongoing)

**Other Comments:**

1. Continued ongoing automation planning and development processes to enhance capacity and capabilities of the automated system and network for resource sharing purposes and for access to selected information, particularly full-text, through the Internet. Prepared for major system upgrade to take place in 2007. BadgerNet Converged Network successfully installed in 2006. (Ongoing)
2. Worked toward creating a group catalog on OCLC to improve resource sharing and connectivity within SCLS. Completed via BadgerCat for LINK libraries and Marshfield and Portage County in 2006. Portage County and Marshfield Libraries are now handling their own out-of-system borrowing via OCLC.
3. Continue to provide virtual reference services and cooperate as appropriate with merger of QuestionPoint and 24/7 based services in Wisconsin. (Ongoing)
4. Continued work to provide online Spanish language reference services. (Ongoing)

**Inservice Training**

**S. 43.24(2)(e) Inservice training for participating public library personnel and trustees.**

**S. 43.24(2)(h) Professional consultant services to participating public libraries.**

Indicate with a check those services carried out by your system in **2006** in conjunction with this service requirement.

- Conducted workshops for member library staff and trustees
- Maintained a calendar of CE events
- Provided scholarships and grants for member library staffs
- Maintained a professional collection for system and member library staffs.

Indicate with a check those services carried out by your system in **2006** in conjunction with this service requirement.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public library administration and governance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff development (certification, CE, etc.) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult services                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning and evaluation, standards          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Youth services                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collection development                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Library automation                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legal issues                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building and remodeling                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public relations                            |

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- Technical services  
 Interlibrary loan and resource sharing

- Reference and information services  
 Special needs

Others *Specify*:

1. Conducted workshops for member library staff and trustees, and helped libraries to develop their own training and staff development plans. (Ongoing)
2. Maintained a calendar of CE events, and provided information on CE opportunities offered by other organizations. (Ongoing)
3. Provided scholarships and grants for member library staff and trustees to attend continuing education events. (Ongoing)
4. Subscribed to and routed various library periodicals and services on behalf of member libraries that cannot afford to do this on an individual basis. (Ongoing)
5. Assisted member librarians in the statutory certification and re-certification processes. (Ongoing)
6. Continued to provide hands-on training concerning topics useful to our member libraries. Worked with selected member libraries as they developed ways to effectively provide instruction to the public. (Ongoing)
7. Encouraged library trustee education and development by paying annual Wisconsin Library Association dues for public library trustees within the SCLS area who indicated interest. Reimbursed expenses of SCLS Board members selected to attend WLA Annual Conferences and other special trustee events. (Ongoing)
8. Enhanced system-wide networking by sponsoring an annual gathering for librarians, trustees, and officials concerned with all types of libraries in the South Central area. (Ongoing)
9. Encouraged member library participation in the broader Wisconsin library community by paying a share toward annual Wisconsin Library Association dues for all public library directors or their designees within the SCLS area. Enhance ability of member librarians to attend WLA Annual Conferences and other special conference events through our continuing education scholarship fund. (Ongoing)
10. Continued to make use of video conferencing, teleconferencing and electronic dissemination of information. Worked to increase the use of communications technology and schedule training and selected meetings in other regional locations. Continued to offer videoconferencing and audio conferencing attendance options where appropriate for meetings. SCLS continued to investigate telecommunications for delivering CE workshops. (Ongoing)
12. SCLS continued to videotape continuing education sessions when the presenter gave permission, and provided lists of titles to members on the website. (Ongoing)
13. SCLS continued to offer mobile, wireless training labs to all SCLS member libraries. (Ongoing)
14. Continued to maintain a professional collection for system and member library staff, trustees and library friends. (Ongoing)
15. Continued to offer direct training and continuing education opportunities for library staff and trustees concerning local advocacy. (Ongoing)
16. Continued to develop a virtual professional collection accessible through the SCLS website. (Ongoing)
17. SCLS staff continued to offer online learning opportunities using WisLine, OPAL and Ed2Go. (Ongoing)
18. SCLS staff upgraded CE registration and calendar functions using a commercial software package. (Ongoing)
19. SCLS staff experimented with informal "virtual" brown bag discussion sessions using WisLine and OPAL. (Ongoing)

Other Comments:

**Delivery and Communication**

- S. 43.24(2)(fm) Electronic delivery of information and physical delivery of library materials to participating libraries.**

Indicate with a check those services carried out by your system in **2006** in conjunction with this service requirement.

- Had regular courier or van delivery service  
 Provided an 800 number, phone credit card, or accepted collect calls

ILL transactions sent by:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BBS  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCLC                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local automated system |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used fax for document delivery/communication |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used mail as primary delivery system         |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Published a newsletter            |  |

Others *Specify*:

1. Continued, in partnership with member libraries, to maintain and enhance an effective interlibrary loan system. (Ongoing)
2. Continued to maintain and enhance our in-system interlibrary van delivery service and to operate our in-system van delivery service at the highest possible levels of efficiency and effectiveness. Explore service levels, funding sources, and member library service practices as delivery volume continues to grow. (Ongoing)
3. Continued and expanded the role of SCLS as an intersystem delivery agent, connecting public library systems and academic libraries in Wisconsin for the purposes of resource sharing. Pursued contractual agreements and other funding as required to support this service. (Ongoing)
4. Continued to provide and market the LINK Express service to non-public library agencies. (Ongoing)
5. Promoted the use of email, blogs, wikis and web pages as intra-system electronic communication tools. Maintained appropriate electronic discussion lists or blogs for specific member groups. (Ongoing)
6. Continued to encourage member libraries to make full use of the online informational products funded by the state as well as those funded by SCLS in cooperation with member libraries. (Ongoing)
7. Continued to encourage and enable remote access to the library materials and electronic services offered by the state, the system, the LINK consortium and other member libraries. (Ongoing)
8. Continued to work with DOA TEACH and other agencies as appropriate to ensure that SCLS member libraries have adequate telecommunications access and capabilities. Completed move to BCN network. (Ongoing)
9. Continued to communicate timely issues of interest to trustees. (Ongoing)
10. Continued working to fulfill the charge of the Delivery Advisory Committee. (Ongoing)
11. Continued to implement delivery "Best Practices" in SCLS delivery and in member libraries. (Ongoing)
12. Continued to develop and maintain the SCLS website. (Ongoing)
13. After the automation upgrade, revisit the idea of a pilot program for home delivery of materials on a cost recovery basis in cooperation with the Madison Public Library. (Pending)
14. Continued ILL pilot project with UW-Madison Memorial Library and other campus libraries to provide better direct and reciprocal services. (Ongoing)
15. Considered procurement of killer robots to speed along our plan for complete world domination by having them take over a group of oil refineries for the exclusive use of Wisconsin libraries. Decided instead to continue to pursue higher mileage diesel/biodiesel vehicles and reduce routes by use of lift gates and new higher volume carts. (Ongoing)

Other Comments:

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**Service Agreements**

**S. 43.24(2)(g) Service agreements with all adjacent library systems.**

Copies of the most recent agreements have been filed with the Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning.

Indicate with a check those services provided for in the adjacent library system agreements for **2006**.

- Reciprocal borrowing between systems  
 Cash payments in cross-system lending  
 Continuing education  
 Delivery

- Newsletter exchange  
 Cooperative planning/information exchange  
 Audiovisual services  
 Cooperative purchasing

Others Specify:

1. Maintained full access to library services across system boundaries where feasible. SCLS staff continued to pursue negotiations with other Wisconsin public library systems to enable full access to library services across system boundaries within the limitations of current economic structures and agreements. Mt. Horeb Public Library re-opened its doors to citizens in SouthWest Library System after Act 420 was signed. (Ongoing)

2. SCLS staff, member libraries, and trustees actively worked toward efforts to solve border problems on a statewide basis through the enactment of legislation providing funds for, or compelling payment of, legitimate reimbursement to libraries for the provision of non-resident service. (Ongoing)

Other Comments:

**Services to Users with Special Needs**

**S. 43.24(2)(k) Promotion and facilitation of library service to users with special needs.**

Briefly summarize the most significant specific services or initiatives carried out by your system in a special needs area in **2006**. Describe the system effort in terms of the way in which the initiative is conducted by the system. Some systems provide direct services, others provide services to support library efforts. Targeted special needs groups and services include those dealing with cognitive disabilities, mental illness, mobility and accessibility issues, speech and hearing disabilities, vision disabilities, literacy, poverty, and seniors with special needs.

Identify the agency(ies) with which the system had the most contact in terms of a planning effort or project collaboration, or with which member libraries worked. Indicate system services or types of materials involved with, or purchased for, the project. Were any accessibility issues involved? Identify any significant marketing done by the system to support library efforts in serving special needs populations.

If the system provided any continuing education programs in **2006** on special needs topics, identify the topic(s) and speaker(s).

SCLS provided family literacy support to member libraries through a 2006 LSTA grant that provided funds for participating libraries to strengthen family literacy programs and services. SCLS also provided funds for pilot projects in three member libraries to purchase adaptive computer devices and to create adaptive work stations.

SCLS worked with Dane County UW-Extension, Wisconsin Literacy, Madison Area Literacy Council, Wisconsin Public Television, Wisconsin Humanities Council and Dane County Evenstart and Headstart to identify target audience, identify need, plan programs and evaluate services. Through the SCLS partnership, Wisconsin Public Television played a major role in helping publicize library services to a statewide audience; on-air messages in English and Spanish were run after programs for young children, encouraging parents to visit their public libraries with their children.

April 2006 – Every Child Ready to Read training (family literacy program), Saroj Ghoting, presenter

September 2006 – Learning Props workshop (family literacy program), Bev Schumacher, presenter

September 2006 – Library Services for the Blind workshop, Wisconsin Council for the Blind presenters

October 2006 – Play literacy and programs for babies and toddlers workshop, Amy Brant, Mary Driscoll, Georgene Kunze and Anne Hjorus, presenters

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Other Comments:

**Other Types of Libraries**

**S. 43.24(2)(L) Cooperation and continuous planning with other types of libraries in the system area which results in agreements with those libraries for the appropriate sharing of library resources to benefit the clientele of all libraries in the system area.**

An advisory committee or planning group including representatives from other types of libraries met and established objectives relating to this requirement for the plan year.

The system has agreements with other types of libraries, or if the system participates in a cooperation agreement with a multitype organization to meet the purposes of this goal, there is established a clear link between the system and the individual members of the multitype organization. Copies of the most recent agreements have been filed with the Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning.

Indicate with a check system services provided to other types of libraries in **2006**.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Consultation                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delivery services          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuing education/workshops | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Back-up reference services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ILL (Direct)                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newsletter                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Union list of serials                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical services                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Directory of libraries                    |  |

Others *Specify*:

1. Provided a portion of a consultant's time to work with the multitype libraries through MALC to coordinate planning and activities. (Ongoing)
2. Provided an electronic discussion list for the dissemination of information on SCLS services, continuing education programs and specific multitype activities. (Ongoing)
3. Provided continuing education programs and other events as appropriate to multitype members on a free or cost recovery basis. (Ongoing)
4. Contacted non-members throughout the SCLS area regularly to encourage membership in SCLS. (Ongoing)
5. Continued to ensure that the LINK online catalog and automated resource sharing system is extensively utilized, both on an individual and organizational basis, by multitype members for resource sharing purposes. (Ongoing)
6. Continued to explore ways to make the resources of multitype member libraries more accessible to public library members. (Ongoing)
7. Continued to provide delivery services to multitype members on a cost recovery basis. (Ongoing)
8. Continued to provide direct cost recovery public relations, consulting and graphics services to multitype members, as feasible. (Ongoing)
9. Explored further system brokerage of needed services or ways to direct member libraries to better sources of such services, and attempt to negotiate access to such services with their cooperation or on their behalf. (Ongoing)
10. Invested funds for member libraries and agencies at their request in the state pooled investment fund to ensure that the best possible use is made of existing resources. (Ongoing)
11. Cooperated as fully as possible with other kinds of libraries and CESAs on programs of mutual interest or benefit. (Ongoing)

Other Comments:

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**Library Technology and Resource Sharing Plan**

- S. 43.24(2)m) Planning with the division and with participating public libraries and other types of libraries in the area in regard to library technology and the sharing of resources. By January 1, 2000, and every 5<sup>th</sup> January 1 thereafter, the public library system shall submit to the division a written plan for library technology and the sharing of resources.**
- Member public libraries and other types of libraries in the system area had an opportunity to review and comment on the plan.
- A copy of the public library system technology and resource sharing plan has been filed with the Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning.

**Other Service Programs**

**S. 43.24(2)i) Any other service programs designed to meet the needs of participating public libraries and the residents of the system area, as determined by the public library board after consultation with participating public libraries.**

List and evaluate each service program carried out under this statute in **2006**. Do not lump miscellaneous activities under a single "other" program.

1. Continued ongoing planning processes required to implement our shared automated system to its full developmental and operating potential. Publicized advantages and features, and provided information about how to use LINKcat to all area libraries, regardless of type. (Ongoing)
2. Continued to explore and experiment with new directions in technology of probable value to the ongoing and future operations and missions of our member libraries. (Ongoing)
3. Continued to assist SCLS member public libraries that are not currently LINK members to become full LINK members, should they so desire, and participants in the full range of LINK Consortium services. Provided information/presentations concerning the advantages of joining LINK. Helped libraries pursue grants and other funding for LINK start-up costs and local support for continuing expenditures. (Ongoing)
4. Explored new methods of networking and resource sharing within our system and with other library systems throughout the state and nation. (Ongoing)
5. Continued planning processes required to improve access to major library collections of other than LINK libraries within SCLS. (Ongoing)
6. Continued to support and expand the Telus Library Online system to provide member libraries with an automated method to control the amount of time patrons can use workstations and to charge for printing from these workstations. The print management module was introduced and first installed at Monona. (Ongoing)
7. Worked with a member library to create a digital copy of a county local history title. Continued to work with the Reference and Loan Library and the UW Digital content Group to mount previously digitized materials in the State of Wisconsin collection. (Ongoing)
8. Maintained and improved SCLS web pages. (Ongoing)
9. Continued work to upgrade remote control software used on the LINK network. (Ongoing)
10. Encouraged member libraries to maintain at least minimal levels of other technologies, including telephone, answering machine, fax machine, photocopier, computer and appropriate adaptive technologies. (Ongoing)
11. Continued to provide the services of a technician for limited non-LINK hardware and software support. (Ongoing)
12. Continued to support cooperative cataloging of materials through the LINK project. (Ongoing)
13. Continued system-wide patron authentication services for improved remote access to all electronic products and services. Promoted automated services as appropriate for remote users. (Ongoing)
14. Provided information on technology-related intellectual freedom issues. (Ongoing)
15. Continued to implement the SCLS Technology Plan 2005-2009 and review and revise it as necessary. (Ongoing)
16. Purchased new LINK servers in 2006. (Done)
17. Baraboo Public Library completed a pilot project using tutor.com in 2006 and shared their experiences with other interested SCLS libraries. (Done)
18. Continued to provide downloadable audio books through the Overdrive Project of the Wisconsin Public Library consortium. Determined what additional training was needed for library staff and their patrons in the use of Overdrive and provided it. (Ongoing)
19. Negotiated a group price for Macromedia Contribute and PDF conversion package and offered training in their use to staff at member libraries. (Ongoing)

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20. Continued to support member library investigation of RFID technology. (Ongoing)
21. Negotiated agreement and purchased Novelist for 2007 implementation. (Done)
22. Helped several libraries with local website redesign. (Ongoing)
23. Installed a new backup system for servers used for various system services. (Done)

**YOUTH SERVICES**

## Objectives and Activities:

1. Provided support to libraries working to expand programming for children and teens. Supported a variety of programming efforts. Maintained a collection of program support materials as appropriate. (Ongoing)
2. Continued Summer Library Program coordination, including an SLP workshop, and system funding support for SLP performers. (Ongoing)
3. Coordinated and partially funded the purchase of SLP materials through the Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning. (Ongoing)
4. Funded children's media collection, including public performance videos, through the system resource contract. (Ongoing)
5. Directly funded selected special experimental outreach projects for youth. (Ongoing)
6. Encouraged member libraries to perceive children as vital customers. Helped libraries prove the importance of youth services to our society. Helped empower youth librarians at the local, system and state level. Assisted youth service librarians in being active in the political process. (Ongoing)
7. Encouraged libraries to provide open access to electronic information for children and teens. Provided CE opportunities and other information on issues related to children's use of the Internet. Helped libraries identify quality Internet sites for children. Encouraged libraries to provide education and training to parents and children concerning effective and safe use of Internet resources. (Ongoing)
8. Encouraged library cooperation with schools, day care centers, and agencies serving children with special needs. (Ongoing)
9. Continued to maintain and enhance the SCLS Youth Services web pages. (Ongoing)
10. Continued the "Hand-in-Hand: Building a Community of Emerging Readers" early literacy initiative in 2006. (Ongoing)
11. Created a DVD, customized for requesting libraries, to promote the Summer Library Program in schools. (Done)
12. Created a report illustrating the value to the community of the Summer Library Program. (Done)

**COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

## Objectives and Activities:

1. Continued to contract with our system resource library for the central purchase of requested items in high demand or not owned within the system area, and purchase and management of collections of special materials such as DVDs with public performance rights to strengthen the resources available to member libraries for interlibrary loan and programming purposes. (Ongoing)
2. Continued to support and enhance online full-text and other electronic information that can be accessed by SCLS libraries and the publics they serve. (Ongoing)
3. Continued to maintain a system collection of materials for loan consisting of professional materials concerning the library and information field. (Ongoing)
4. Continued PLAC/LINK study processes as needed (assessment of ILL borrowing, loaning, weeding, buying ratios, net lender compensation, local needs, etc.) and ensured that the resulting data was shared with other appropriate SCLS committees. (Ongoing)
5. Continued SCLS and member library cost-sharing arrangements for acquisition of selected electronic databases and other services. (Ongoing)

**PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ADVOCACY**

## Objectives and Activities:

1. Staff and member libraries together continued to explore methods of measuring the value and effectiveness of library service at both the local and system level. These efforts were tied to ongoing state and national processes in this area as possible. (Ongoing)
  2. Continued to market public libraries - their role, value, and importance. (Ongoing)
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3. Assisted member libraries in developing and implementing marketing plans. Advised and supported local marketing and publicity efforts. (Ongoing)
4. Assisted libraries to communicate effectively and work with decision makers and those who influence decisions. (Ongoing)
5. SCLS staff continued to share pertinent and applicable information gleaned from other national and/or local survey efforts about the perceived value of library service. (Ongoing)
6. SCLS continued to advocate on the state level for public library initiatives and communicated about political efforts by legislators. SCLS staff and members of PLAC, MALC, and the Advocacy Committee of the SCLS Board actively sought out and disseminated information concerning the status and future of public library system funding and other state level library issues. (Ongoing)
8. SCLS staff, members of PLAC, MALC, and the Advocacy Committee of the SCLS Board continued to communicate with member libraries and trustees about the importance of system funding and other library issues to their own operations, and of the necessity of their participation in efforts to seek system funding and support for other library proposals from the state at adequate levels. (Ongoing)
9. Continued the ongoing program of encouraging and assisting libraries and other public library systems around the state in the creation of the advocacy networks and databases required to effectively mobilize the public on behalf of our causes. (Ongoing)
10. SCLS staff and members of PLAC, MALC, and the SCLS Board actively pursued ongoing relationships with their legislators and encouraged member librarians and all SCLS area trustees to pursue similar long-term relationships. Members of the SCLS library community also attempted to inform influential citizens and private sector agencies of library needs and events on an ongoing basis and attempted to interest these individuals and groups in various library causes, as appropriate. (Ongoing)
12. SCLS staff and members of PLAC, MALC, and the Advocacy Committee of the SCLS Board continued to explore the kinds of public/private library partnerships found in various other areas of the country. (Ongoing)
13. SCLS staff helped member libraries that requested this service to identify key community leaders and organizations, as well as strategies to develop and maintain relationships with these individuals and organizations and favorably dispose them toward libraries. (Ongoing)
14. SCLS helped to provide statewide legislative leadership, particularly among other library systems. (Ongoing)
15. Information concerning the legislative activities in other areas of the state were sought out and reviewed by staff, PLAC, MALC, and the Advocacy Committee of the SCLS Board, and the best of these legislative activities were utilized to improve our own legislative activities and advocacy networks. (Ongoing)
16. The entire SCLS Library community was encouraged to participate on a massive basis in a wide range of WLA legislative activities, centering on the WLA Legislative Day. Members of the SCLS Library community were also encouraged to serve on the LD&L and to communicate their legislative needs and concerns. (Ongoing)
17. The SCLS Director and Associate Director and the Director of the Resource Library continued to represent the interests of the SCLS library community in the deliberations of SRLAAW. (Ongoing)
18. The System continued to attempt to excel and demonstrate leadership in the political arena. SCLS is committed to the belief that, if we wish to enjoy a successful future for libraries, we must build it with our own hands. Therefore, although the SCLS library community will gratefully accept and recognize the efforts of anyone that lead to political success for libraries, we will nevertheless never neglect any effort on our own part required to ensure that political success for SCLS libraries becomes reality. (Ongoing)
19. SCLS worked to provide member public libraries with high-quality public relations assistance and promotional materials in a timely manner. (Ongoing)
20. SCLS continued to create and maintain directories of SCLS public libraries, hours, directions to libraries, etc. (Ongoing)
22. SCLS staff continued to help libraries develop and maintain attractive, effective web pages and provide training concerning how to evaluate needs and how best to utilize web pages. (Ongoing)
23. Published an online newsletter and provided regularly updated information through the SCLS Web page and appropriate electronic lists. (Ongoing)
24. Explored and undertook projects to enhance the general image of our member libraries, prove their value to society, and assist them in gaining needed resources for their current operations and future development. (Ongoing)
25. Continued to provide advocacy training as needed and feasible. (Ongoing)
26. Assisted member libraries in the general marketing of their services and in the creation of partnerships with businesses and with other individuals and agencies. (Ongoing)

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AND COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS (cont.)****Objectives and Activities:**

1. Continued the pilot project to partner with libraries to realize income from unneeded library materials, equipment, etc. by selling it on the Internet. (Ongoing)
2. Continue efforts to market the Library Emporium service to the library community in 2006. (Ongoing)

**COUNTY SUPPORT****Objectives and Activities:**

1. Assisted member libraries in conducting and evaluating studies of non-resident usage and in seeking fair and adequate compensation for this usage. (Ongoing)
2. Continued to advise counties of the need and justification for the expenditure of local funds to equitably compensate municipalities for services provided both within counties and across county lines, and continued to plan to implement changes due to new legislation as a long-term solution to this problem. (Ongoing)
3. Continued to make county service payments, create budgets, file reports, etc. on behalf of counties on a cost recovery basis as requested and as feasible. (Ongoing)
4. Continued to educate member libraries and trustees about changes in the legislative arena to compensation for library services offered to non-residents. (Ongoing)

**LEADERSHIP AND PLANNING****Objectives and Activities:**

1. Continued work to build stronger relations between the SCLS Board and local library boards in order to increase the effectiveness of each. (Ongoing)
  2. SCLS continued the commitment that any decision on system expansion will follow a process as detailed in the SCLS 2000 Long-Range Plan adopted by the advisory committees and the SCLS Board. (Ongoing)
  3. The SCLS Board continued to encourage open communication with member libraries and their boards. Library Directors were provided with the names, email and mail addresses and phone numbers of SCLS board members. Agendas and rosters are posted on the SCLS web page. Both librarians and board members are encouraged to communicate regarding issues on the SCLS Board agenda prior to their meetings. (Ongoing)
  4. Libraries continued to receive announcements when the monthly agenda, minutes, and other supporting materials for each SCLS Board meetings are mounted on the web pages. Member library directors were encouraged to include information concerning SCLS on their monthly meeting agendas, as appropriate. (Ongoing)
  5. Each local library director was encouraged to provide SCLS with a paper or email copy of their board minutes in order to improve communication. (Ongoing)
  6. SCLS continued to maintain current information about the structure, appointment and decision-making processes, and reporting obligations of the SCLS Board, PLAC, LINK, MALC and their committees on the SCLS web site. (Ongoing)
  7. SCLS Board, PLAC, Multitype Advisory Library council (MALC) and Library Interchange Network (LINK) maintained policy statements regarding committees. (Ongoing)
  8. All committees continue to be established through the action of and report to at least one of four bodies within SCLS, these being the SCLS Board, PLAC, MALC, or LINK. All committees shall be designated as either "standing" or "ad hoc." A charge is specified for each committee, as well as the makeup of the committee, the system of designating members to the committee, the terms of the committee members, and the SCLS staff member assigned to the committee. PLAC reviews the charges for its subcommittees annually. (Ongoing)
  9. Planning is a joint project of the SCLS Board and PLAC, with MALC involvement. A new Strategic Plan for the SCLS Community was passed by the SCLS Board in February 2006. (Ongoing)
  10. Members and staff suggestions for plan revisions are solicited as part of an annual survey process conducted in the first half of each year. The existing long range plan, along with any recommendations for revision, will continue to be submitted to PLAC, MALC, and the SCLS Board annually for possible inclusion as subject matter for the annual meeting and for such revisions as they shall deem necessary. (Ongoing)
  11. An annual system meeting was held in May to provide an opportunity for South Central and member libraries to gather to review its plan and discuss the future direction of services as well as ongoing concerns. (Ongoing)
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**PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM EVALUATION  
AND COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS (cont.)**

12. In future planning processes, SCLS will include the general area of multitype cooperation and services. Multitype participation will be encouraged in all major system planning processes as appropriate. (Ongoing)
13. SCLS maintained ongoing mechanisms for the evaluation and prioritization of services. Data from survey and evaluation processes were submitted to PLAC for inclusion in ongoing planning processes. (Ongoing)
14. Member libraries were encouraged on an ongoing basis to submit brief evaluation forms with regard to contacts with the system. Online forms are available for this purpose. (Ongoing)
15. SCLS referred to member libraries on an ongoing basis any staff suggestions for improving member interactions with the system. (Ongoing)
16. The system and member libraries continued to pursue new directions in service through the creation of, or participation in, consortia for the purposes of making the investigation or delivery of various services economically feasible. Consortia participation was pursued in areas including, but not limited to: automation, delivery, continuing education, access to materials across system boundaries, investigation of new technologies and the provision of online electronic resources. (Ongoing)
17. Continued involvement in library and related organizations at the regional, state, and national level to seek out information concerning new trends in our field and to share this information with member libraries, committees, etc. (Ongoing)
18. Invested funds for member libraries, at their request, in the Local Government Pooled Investment Fund to ensure that the best possible use is made of existing resources. (Ongoing)
19. Attempted to provide leadership, in partnership with member libraries and trustees, concerning not only how we can better undertake current objectives, but also where we should direct our efforts and resources in the future. (Ongoing)
20. Played an active role in the development and enactment of policy and legislation at the local, regional, state and federal level. (Ongoing)
21. Continued to seek the funds required to continue our operations at levels adequate to meet the needs of our members however and wherever we can. (Ongoing)
22. Persevered and prospered despite the loss of our long-time leader, Peter Hamon, in 2005 due to an untimely retirement. (Ongoing)

**Administration**

- The system did not expend more than 20 percent of the state aid received in **2006** for administration.
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**PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM ANNUAL  
PROGRAM EXPENDITURES—2006**

**Program Expenditures**

Provide a summary of your public library system expenditures by system service program and fund source for 2006.

Program	System Aid, Carryover, and Interest Earned	Other State and Federal Library Program Funds	All Other Income	Total
<b>Technology, Reference and Interlibrary Loan*</b>				
1.	739,745	55,144	1,446,775	\$2,241,664
2.				\$0
3.				\$0
<b>Sub-Program Total</b>	\$739,745	\$55,144	\$1,446,775	\$2,241,664
<b>Continuing Education and Consulting Service*</b>				
1.	217,958	650	33,009	\$251,617
2.				\$0
<b>Sub-Program Total</b>	\$217,958	\$650	\$33,009	\$251,617
Delivery	602,603	66,000	1,457,237	\$2,125,840
Library Services to Special Users	34,372		5,205	\$39,577
Library Collection Development	123,814	8,798	163,052	\$295,664
Direct Payment to Members for Nonresident Access			971,001	\$971,001
Direct Nonresident Access Payments Across System Borders				\$0
Library Services to Youth	65,039	38,000	9,850	\$112,889
Public Information	135,200		20,476	\$155,676
Administration	93,726		273,253	\$366,979
<b>Other System Programs</b>				
1. Other types of libraries	2,000		11,243	\$13,243
2. Contingency			47,141	\$47,141
3. Note: Unspent funds in System Aid column				\$0
4. are interest earned in 2006.				\$0
<b>Grand Totals</b>	\$2,014,457	\$168,592	\$4,438,242	\$6,621,291

\*These programs may be divided into subprograms at the discretion of the system. If choosing not to use subprograms, enter amounts on program total line only.