

Hello,

I hope that you all are doing well. I am looking forward to seeing several of you at the [Programming Conference](#) in Louisville this week. 😊

We **will not** have an Adult and Outreach Services meeting in November, so our next virtual meeting will be December 18, at 2:00pm, ET / 1:00pm, CT.

The attached American Heart Association contains links to resources, which may be useful to you or your patrons.

Please see below for articles, upcoming webinars, and other opportunities, and please let me know if you have any questions about what is shared here. I will be glad to help as best as I can.

And for some smiles this morning, check out these recent pictures from some of our bookmobile librarians. Keep up the good work, y'all.



Opportunity

We're looking for 10 more public librarians/public library staff to attend on November 18th

– anyone interested?

We are thrilled to invite you to our Fall 2025 Public Library-Child Welfare Gathering called **Stories of Support**.

This year, we will gather ~60 public library and child welfare staff together for one day in Lexington, KY on November 18th for a Gathering focused on building collaboration between public library staff and child welfare staff. Among many other things, our day will include presentations from public libraries that received pilot project grant funding to build new, innovative library services related to child welfare issues at last year's Gathering as well as information on how applicants can apply for a second round of grant funding available this fall. We had an amazing Gathering last year and can't wait to see what this Gathering bubbles up.

Stories of Support strives to connect public library and child welfare partners (DCBS, New Allies, and others) in pursuit of providing prevention services to youth and families across Kentucky. We hope to see many of you on **November 18th**—please register as soon as possible, as the invitation will close after 40 public library staff registrations are received. *We ask for 1 representative per public library.*

The registration form is available here: <https://forms.office.com/r/WeqEuKEhY3>.

The conference is **free to attend**, but attendees will be responsible for their own travel expenses.

Please contact Victoria.Gilbert@youthvillages.org if you have questions about the gathering

Articles and News

[Applications Open for 2026 Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries](#) (American Library Association, October 10)

[ARH partners with HCTC and EKCEP for registered apprenticeship program](#) (The Lane Report, October 8)

[Build your management toolkit: New webinars on hiring and supervision](#) (OCLC's WebJunction, October 28)

[Career Center Students Build Dog Kennels for Caldwell County Animal Shelter](#) (WPKY, October 28)

[Deepen community connections with new bridgebuilding resources](#) (OCLC's WebJunction, October 16)

[Moving People: Connected Stories Podcast](#) (Programming Librarian, October 28)

[Penguin Random House and United for Libraries Announce 2026 Grants to U.S. Small and Rural Libraries](#) (ALA, October 21)

[Scholarship helps students soar to aviation careers](#) (Spectrum News, October 14)

- Visit the [Kentucky Department of Aviation's website](#) and/or [sign up for their newsletter](#) to keep up with events and possible collaboration opportunities.
- View the [Civil Air Patrol and Public Libraries: The Sky's the Limit webinar](#) to learn about resources available to patrons and public libraries.

['You have to stay active': Special prom brings hope to those living with dementia](#) (WHAS, October 17)

- View this archived webinar to learn more about memory cafés in Kentucky. [Memory Cafes: Serving Up Support and Connections at the Library](#)

Webinars



Celebrating America250KY in Your Library: Digital Resources in the State Archives and the Kentucky Historical Society (KDLA)

November 13; 10:00am, ET / 9:00am, CT; [Register](#)

In 2026 the United States will celebrate its 250th birthday! Public libraries can take part in the celebrations by showcasing history at the local, state, and national levels. One of the best ways to do this is by highlighting original historical documents, but what if you don't have any in your collections? That's where we come in. Both the Kentucky State Digital Archives and KHS Digital Collections contain thousands of documents from across the state that span the entirety of Kentucky's history. Whether you're planning programming or answering reference questions, these digital catalogs have the resources you need.

Join Elainé Gollihue, Electronic Records Archivist at KDLA and Alyssa Ollier, Digital Archivist at KHS, as they explore the digital resources available at their respective agencies, including the Kentucky Constitution, Governor's Executive Journals, and other state and local records.

[Health Programming at your Library](#) (Network of the National Library of Medicine)

Date: 01/14/2026 2:00 PM EST

Summary: Join us for ideas on how to create health programs for libraries and community/faith-based organizations in this 90-minute webinar.

Platform: Zoom

Free, but registration is required.

Sincerely,

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