



# IMLS Grants for Audio Preservation

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## About IMLS

### Who are we?

- IMLS is an independent federal grant-making agency and the primary source of federal support for the nation's libraries and museums.
- The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) helps ensure that all Americans have access to museum, library, and information services.

### What do we do?

- We make **grants**, **convene groups**, **conduct research**, and **publish** in order to build the capacity of museums and libraries to serve the public.





# IMLS IMPACT: FY2022



## Grants To States Libraries

**59**  
Awards      **\$168.8M**  
Awarded

N/A Applications / N/A Requested



## Library Services

**224**  
Awards      **\$28.4M**  
Awarded

435 Applications / \$442.47M Requested



## Museum Services

**280**  
Awards      **\$44.7M**  
Awarded

791 Applications / \$108.60M Requested



## Other Initiatives

**396**  
Awards      **\$15.3M**  
Awarded

399 Applications / \$15.45M Requested



Participants hold up story boards from the Community Catalyst Listening Session in Jackson, MS, 9/13/2019

## Library & Archives Funding Programs



## National Leadership Grants for Libraries (NLG)

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- Projects of national impact
- Address critical needs of the public in library and archives
- Strengthen library and archival services for the American public
- Projects might make new models, tools, services, or research findings that can be widely used



## Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (LB21)

### The Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (LB21):

- Builds the capacity of library and archival practitioners and institutions
- Supports the development of a diverse workforce of library and archive professionals



## Successful Library Discretionary Grants

- Far-reaching impact
- Current significance
- Strategic collaborations
- Demonstrated expertise

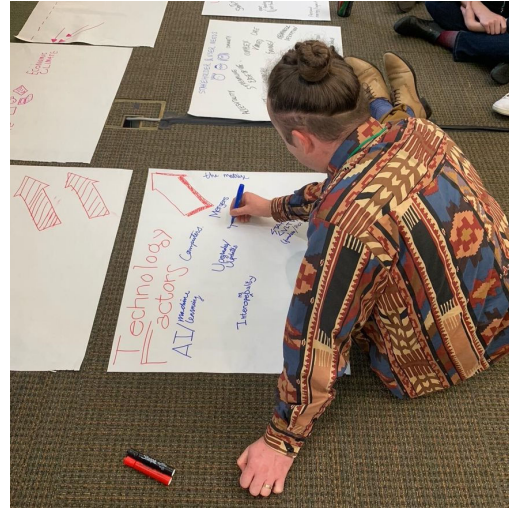


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Stanford  
University,  
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Lighting the  
Way Forum



## Funding Categories

Funding Category	NLG and LB21	Project Period
Planning	\$50,000 - \$150,000	1-2 years
Forum	\$50,000 - \$150,000	1-2 years
Implementation	\$50,000 - \$1,000,000	1-3 years
Applied Research	\$50,000 - \$750,000	1-3 years



## Funding Categories

Funding Category	Sample Activities
Planning	Exploratory activities; solidifying partnerships; developing future work plans or early prototypes
Forum	Convening key stakeholders and experts
Implementation	Full-scale development or project implementation
Applied Research	Investigating key questions relevant to library and archival tools or services



## Cost Share

1:1 cost share is required for both programs, EXCEPT:

- No cost share is required for Applied Research
- No cost share is required for applications requesting \$249,999 or less in federal funds
- LB21 applicants are not required to cost share funds budgeted for student support



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## Key Dates Example: NLG / LB21

- Draft Proposals Due (Optional): September 2, 2022
- Preliminary Proposals Due: September 21, 2022
- Notification of Status: January 2023
- **Full Proposals Due: March 17, 2023**
- Notification of Funding: July 2023
- Projects Must Begin on: August 1, 2023



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Library tools for the blind and visually impaired over time, South Carolina State Library, November 2017



## Techniques for Preparing Competitive Applications



## Peer Review



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<https://www.imls.gov/grants/peer-review>



## Helpful Links for Applicants

### AWARDED GRANTS SEARCH

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Grant Program

Grant Program Category

Institution Name  City  State

Fiscal Year  Recipient Type

Issue Areas

Keywords  Log Number  Sort Options

Select any filter and click on Apply to see results

IMLS Website: <http://www.imls.gov>


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<https://www.imls.gov/grants/apply-grant/notices-funding-opportunities>

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## Application Tips

- ✓ Choose the right grant program
- ✓ Align the need, activities, and intended results
- ✓ Do your homework!
- ✓ Include your intended audience in the planning of the project
- ✓ Don't be late or incomplete



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