FY2010 LSTA Preliminary Budget Discussion
Thoughts and Suggestions to the Network Advisory Council
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These suggestions for use of anticipated FY2010 LSTA funds represent a continuation of an overall approach to statewide projects and a desire that Montana libraries be encouraged to move forward in particular directions, over the next several years. Those approaches and directions are:

- The continued growth of a statewide shared catalog
- The implementation of the concept of "Integrated Discovery Systems" statewide
- Continued, new efforts to meet the library user where he/she lives, works and recreates
- Significant growth of a statewide delivery system for all types of library materials

Based on these concepts, this list is being provided to the Council for the purpose of beginning the discussion about the FY2010 LSTA budget:

Continue funding for:
- MSL Statewide Library Resources, Library Development Division and Talking Book Library (This includes marketing and management of statewide projects and contracts, grants management, and provision of statewide library services to Montana's blind and low vision population.
- MSL Statewide Library Consultant positions
- MSL Statewide Trainer position
- Montana Shared Catalog startup costs for new libraries
- Montana Shared Catalog MSL staff
- OCLC Group Services: Gap amount following enrollment
- MontanaLibrary2Go: vendor yearly hosting fee, some level (reduced) of vendor's New Library Participation Fee

Increase funding for:
- The statewide CONTENTdm license (slight increase)

New funding proposals:
- Digital Long Term Access: OCLC Digital Archive subscription (cost shared with certain participating libraries)
- Open URL resolver to build a statewide federated searching tool via WorldCat Local and other resources
- Test of OCLC's new web-scale management services (ILS): one or two libraries
- Pilot to help fund libraries' presence on hand-held devices (applications, services, webpages)
- Expansion of the courier pilot
- EZProxy for statewide central authentication (OCLC hosted).