

The Private Academic Library Network of Indiana (PALNI) has received an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant of \$225,000 from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the Indiana State Library. The planning grant will enable PALNI to identify ways of expanding current infrastructure to support open bibliographic data management tools, which library staff use to manage and share collections. The project aims to significantly enhance financial sustainability and access to information, allowing libraries to further deliver on their critical role in student success. PALNI's project will explore innovative alternatives that promote open infrastructure—using open systems to encourage new ways of understanding collections through community building, sharing staff and metadata about library materials to meet the evolving needs of library patrons. The future-focused system, which will model tenets of other successful projects, will be supported by stakeholders in Indiana and from other library groups to ensure its continued success. PALNI is currently working with Indiana libraries and national and international library groups to identify needs and build a community that can govern and sustain a shared bibliographic data management service. This process includes exploring services provided by other countries and open record sources like the Library of Congress. In addition, the project comprises reviewing metadata usage rights to understand better the permissions and limitations for the open sharing of metadata. PALNI will work with the library community to build a wireframe for a low-cost, open system that facilitates the exchange of library-created bibliographic information. In addition, the project will seek to improve the interoperability of other open-source services that rely on bibliographic data, such as holdings, interlibrary loans, and collection analysis.

The University at Buffalo (UB) Libraries, home to the world's largest collection of materials by and about famed Irish author and poet James Joyce, has received a \$100,000 challenge grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) toward the design of a new UB James Joyce Museum in Western New York. The UB James Joyce Museum was among 245 projects selected from around the nation for funding. The award, an Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grant, aims to leverage federal funds to spur nonfederal support for the humanities. Through the university's \$1 billion Boldly Buffalo campaign, the UB Libraries has begun fundraising to design the UB James Joyce Museum in Abbott Hall on the UB South Campus. By creating a museum, the university aims to attract thousands of visitors each year from across the globe to discover and experience the rare materials and literary life and history of Joyce. Fundraising will also support a preservation and acquisitions endowment, a Joyce endowed curator position, and programming and exhibition funds. As part of the challenge grant from the NEH, UB aims to fundraise \$300,000 to match the award three-to-one. ¶¶

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