

# VIBRANT LIBRARY SERVICES FOR OREGONIANS

How Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) federal funds have enhanced library services in Oregon's Congressional District 1.



## IMPROVING ACCESS TO INFORMATION

### PRIORITIZE INCLUSIVE SERVICES FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS



ONE LIBRARY IMPROVED SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE POPULATIONS IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

The State Library hosted **cohorts for 69 library staff** to build programs and services to better serve their communities. Projects included improved Spanish-language collections, book clubs for new audiences, and public computers made accessible to those with disabilities.

## BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

The **Oregon Historical Society** digitized and translated the Yasui Family Papers, offering valuable insights into the early 20th century Japanese American experience in Oregon. These materials are now widely accessible online.

A 1906 POSTCARD  
FROM MASUO YASUI,  
A KEY FIGURE IN  
OREGON'S JAPANESE  
AMERICAN HISTORY.



**Multnomah County Library** and **Portland Community College** implemented a digital literacy tool to help individuals acquire essential computer and internet skills for daily life, employment, and education.

"I had 2 gentlemen who arrived at the GED prep class without ever touching a computer before. [...] and by the end of the term both were writing and sharing documents for scholarship applications, job applications and personal needs."

# SUPPORTING STUDENTS, YOUTH, AND LIFELONG LEARNERS

**Cornelius Public Library** established a STEM lab designed to foster hands-on learning in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.



THE STEM LAB AT CORNELIUS PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries** hired a teen intern who developed valuable work skills while contributing to library projects, such as creating new teen programs and engaging in outreach efforts.

"The internship was rewarding for both the library and for [the intern]. He was a quick learner and a hard worker."

## BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES THROUGH COLLABORATION

The Digital Library had

**1,832**

views this year

**Oregon Health & Sciences University Library** partnered with the Northwest Narrative Medicine Collaborative to expand a digital library that features images and stories to be used in healthcare training and community workshops.

## EMPOWERING LIBRARIES WITH TOOLS AND RESOURCES

The State Library developed two key resources: the *Handbook for Public Library Board Members in Oregon* and the *Oregon Library Districting Toolkit*, to provide guidance for public library development and district formation.

Through the statewide databases program, Oregonians accessed over

**1.7  
MILLION**

educational and research  
resources