

LYRASIS Strategic Plan: 2010 - 2013

MISSION

Collaboration, creative solutions and leadership for libraries

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LYRASIS: Great Libraries. Strong Communities. Innovative Answers.

VALUES

The strength of LYRASIS is built upon our commitment to extend the intellectual and cultural commons. We are:

- ◆ future focused;
- ◆ committed to solutions that are practical and affordable;
- ◆ an effective steward of member resources;
- ◆ dedicated to the delivery of excellent service;
- ◆ an ethical and trusted partner engaged in transparent business practices; and,
- ◆ an agile organization driven to act.

GOALS

1. Transform libraries, operations, and technologies to meet the needs of tomorrow's library users.
2. Expand the availability of content while controlling costs.

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Goals and Objectives

LYRASIS works with members to accomplish the following goals:

1. Transform libraries, operations, and technologies to meet the needs of tomorrow's library users.

Objective 1.A: Provide affordable capacity and expertise for members.

- ◆ Deliver advisory and consultation services across a broad range of topics, including strategic planning, assessment, technology deployment, library virtual and physical space planning, operations optimization, and library advocacy, and marketing.
- ◆ Provide contract services for library functions.
- ◆ Conduct summit meetings and institutes to advance knowledge on topics of emerging importance and to advocate for action.
- ◆ Channel member expertise to develop creative collaborative solutions.
- ◆ Compile, recognize, and enable the sharing of organizational best practices.

Objective 1.B: Advance the use of technology to improve libraries.

- ◆ Enhance library operations through cloud computing, open source software, and other emerging technologies by providing implementation, education, and technical support services.
- ◆ Enable library staff and users to employ mobile and social networking tools effectively.

Objective 1.C: Foster the professional growth of library staff.

- ◆ Monitor and inform members about changes affecting the profession and library operations.
- ◆ Ensure library success through the development of staff leadership.

Objective 1.D: Build collaborative opportunities for libraries.

- ◆ Support mutually beneficial relationships for professional associations, organizations, and consortia.
- ◆ Facilitate the development of in-person and virtual communities of interest.

2. Expand the availability of content while controlling costs.

Objective 2.A: Ensure effective content creation, management, and access for all formats.

- ◆ Provide services and infrastructure for the creation, digitization, description, sharing, streaming, and hosting of content owned by members.
- ◆ Enable libraries to create and employ effective information discovery systems.

Objective 2.B: Enable libraries to control the cost of information.

- ◆ Leverage the purchasing power of members to minimize the cost of their commercial content.
- ◆ Harness member power through multi-state collectives for resource sharing.

Objective 2.C: Explore and implement services built on next generation bibliographic and resource sharing standards.

- ◆ Provide libraries with cost-effective options for cataloging and resource sharing.
- ◆ Accelerate the development of improved access to content.