



Legislative and Policy Priorities 2018

The Indiana Library Federation...

ACTIVELY ADVOCATES for...

- Initiatives that provide additional broadband coverage to increase access, affordability and speed/capacity for residents and communities, including schools and libraries.
- Lifelong learning initiatives to increase literacy, educational attainment and workforce development.
- Support for school libraries and certified librarians in state-funded K-12 education.

SUPPORTS

- Updating the definition of *library services* in the Indiana Code to reflect how libraries are responsive to changing needs in communities.
- Ensuring library service for all Indiana residents.
- Increased flexibility for schools and local units of government to move funds *within* their local government agency or school district to improve support for libraries.
- Merger of the IN Historical Bureau into the Indiana State Library

WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR language and proposals related to the following:

- Library funding.
- Efforts to re-organize local government.
- Changes to employment and retirement programs that affect library staff, including Indiana Public Retirement System programs (INPRS).

WILL CONTINUE TO BUILD SUPPORT FOR STATE BUDGET PRIORITIES

- Funding for internet connectivity for libraries and schools in State budget
- Funding for INSPIRE in State budget

Adopted by the Indiana Library Federation Board of Directors, 12/14/2017, from recommendation from the ILF Legislative Committee.

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Note the full 2018 Policy Priority document for sharing with legislators and influencers will be available January 10, 2018.

Our approach to advocacy

- Indiana Library Federation is a statewide nonprofit association that is dedicated to advancing library services for the benefit of Indiana residents.
- Indiana Library Federation is nonpartisan and reflects the core values of the library field, including lifelong learning, freedom of ideas and civil discourse.

Indiana Library Federation leads, educates and advocates to advance library services for the benefit of Indiana residents.

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