



DELAWARE LIBRARY SUMMIT – DECEMBER 10, 2008

SYNTHESIS OF ACTION STEPS

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Improve library infrastructure, capacity, and collaboration

- Continue to develop and enhance partnerships and linkages with other community organizations for programs, collections, and services
- Increase and strengthen library programs
- Update library collections and create electronic bibliographies
- Improve development of and collaboration among library websites
- Improve communications among all types of libraries

Improve library finances

- Write and apply for grants; obtain sponsors
- Reduce costs through bulk purchasing for collections, programs, etc.

Support the Friends in expanding their membership and coordinating their participation

Increase awareness of library collections, programs, and services

- Establish a Speakers Bureau
- Develop talking points

Increase more specialized training for librarians to assist the public

Health Literacy

Create a Public Health Library

Ensure equal access to clinical and public health information for all healthcare providers

Include disability issues

Libraries and Economic Development

Delaware Libraries Community Resources Exchange

- Include partnerships with Small Business Development Centers, SCORE, and Chambers of Commerce
- Develop a virtual Delaware Business Information Center
- Establish a Resource List; improve collections of job seeking tools
- Increase coordination with partners to provide training programs in literacy, workforce development, resume building, completing applications, test taking, interviews, etc.

Provide business support and policies to serve people on vacation

Libraries and Lifelong Learning

Improve communications, collaboration, and seamless access to resources and programs among all types of libraries in support of 21st Century Skills