

CARLI Strategic Priorities 2008-2010

CARLI remains fully committed to fulfilling its established mission, and will thoughtfully balance ongoing support and development of critical existing services and programs with the pursuit of excellence and innovation, as embodied in the following ambitious strategic priorities.

CARLI reaffirms its commitment to resource sharing, through the continued maintenance and development of its integrated library management system, and the provision of meaningful electronic resources, through brokering, subsidization and cost-sharing agreements. While identifying and planning new initiatives defined by the strategic priorities, CARLI will seek to actively expand the participation of qualified libraries in I-Share. Emphasis will be placed on clarifying and communicating the value of CARLI to members and their stakeholders.

Collaboration and Leadership

- Facilitate effective communication around members' needs.
 - Increased usage of the CARLI public wiki
 - Extensive use of committee and working group wikis for collaborative work.
 - Improved navigation with drop-down menus for CARLI web site (beta version released to CARLI managers 5/7/08.)
- Catalyze communication and evaluation of emerging trends.
 - "Introduction to Scholarly Communication including the Nuts and Bolts of Institutional Repositories"
 - "The Future is Now, but What Will it Look like?" ICAT Forum on the Implications of RDA, FRBR, and LC Working Group Recommendations
- Develop leaders by embracing new models of participation for staff in CARLI libraries.
 - ERMS Task Force
 - Resource Sharing Code Revision Task Force
 - VuFind Early Adopters
- Investigate an increase in CARLI staffing levels and funding capabilities to strengthen leadership strategies and customer support services to members.
 - Sarah Miller, visiting Academic Professional, ERMS, SFX support
 - Patrick Zurek, Application Support Specialist
 - Diane Day, ½-time ILDS project management.
 - Katrina Little, Account Tech I
- Enhance and expand the visibility of CARLI in partnership with member libraries through various means such as marketing, white papers, or conference presentations.
 - AAAS/JSTOR Resolution articles in the Chronicle of Higher Ed; C& RL News
 - IACRL Pre-Conference: This day-long IACRL Pre-Conference will initiate conversations and collective thinking about librarian leadership within the context of a changing environment.
 - LOEX Conference Sponsorship Morning plenary speaker: Laurel Ofstein "Creative Collaboration: Setting the Course for the Future of Library Instruction"
 - CARLI/OCA Book Digitization Initiative
 - ACRL/ARL Regional Institute on Scholarly Communication

- Educate member libraries on issues, innovations, services and best practices for physical and digital collections.
 - “Special Collections on a Shoestring” This day-long CARLI workshop will give guidance on both curatorial and preservation matters for special collections when costs are also a concern.
 - “Metadata for You & Me” shareable metadata workshop on preparing digital collections data for sharing with aggregators and other institutions
 - “State of Confusion: Writing Your Digital Imaging Grant” workshops

Innovation

- Foster a climate of experimentation and acceptable risk through piloting new technologies and services, balancing rapid implementation with appropriate consultation.
 - VuFind alternative interface to the I-Share catalog, beta testing, April 2008
 - University of Rochester eXtensible Catalog, contract finalized January 2008.
- Explore ways to provide seamless integration of disparate content discovery tools.
- Explore opportunities to work with outside organizations to improve services.
- Encourage and support innovation and experimentation in member libraries.

Resource Sharing

- Broaden access to CARLI member collections through digitization and other means.
 - CARLI/OCA Book Digitization Initiative
- Explore alternatives to physical delivery.
- Improve time from request to delivery to 2-3 days within CARLI.
 - ILDS Lanter delivery
- Work toward establishing standardized transaction times and loan periods within I-Share.
 - Resource Sharing Code Revision Task Force Recommendations Target: Jan 2009

E-Resources

- Create clear, realizable, consortial licensing principles to guide CARLI and member libraries in effective negotiations.
 - E-Resources Licensing Principles and Standard E-Resources Agreement Language from the E-Resources Working Group approved by the Board January 2008
- Educate member libraries on techniques and best practice for e-resource negotiations.
 - One-day workshop proposal submitted to the Program Planning Committee for review (in progress.) Tentative date: November 2008.
- Work with other consortia and publishers to create new models for e-resource acquisitions.
 - Spring 2009 E books RFP