

# Buffalo and Erie County Public Library Annual Report for Library Systems - 2014 (Public Library Systems)

## 1. General System Information

- 1.1 SEDCODE 140600700787
- 1.2 System Name Buffalo and Erie County Public Library
- 1.3 Beginning Reporting Year 1/1/2014
- 1.4 Ending Reporting Year 12/31/2014
- 1.5 Street Address 1 Lafayette Square
- 1.6 City Buffalo
- 1.7 Zip Code 14203
- 1.8 Four-Digit Zip Code  
Extension 1887  
(enter N/A if unknown)
- 1.9 Mailing Address 1 Lafayette Square
- 1.10 City Buffalo
- 1.11 Zip Code 14203
- 1.12 Four-Digit Zip Code  
Extension 1887  
(enter N/A if unknown)
- 1.13 Library System Telephone Number (enter 10 digits only and hit the Tab key) (716) 858-8900
- 1.14 Fax Number (enter 10 digits only) (716) 858-6544

- 1.15 System Home Page URL [www.buffalolib.org](http://www.buffalolib.org)
- 1.16 URL of the system's complete Plan of Service <http://www.buffalolib.org/content/library-system/five-year-plan>
- 1.17 Population Chartered to Serve (2010 Census) 919,040
- 1.18 Area Chartered to Serve (square miles) 1043
- 1.19 Federal Employer Identification Number 166002558
- 1.20 County Erie
- 1.21 County (Counties) Served Erie
- 1.22 School District Buffalo City School District
- 1.23 Title of System Director: (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr. Mrs.
- 1.24 First Name of System Director Mary Jean
- 1.25 Last Name of System Director Jakubowski
- 1.26 NYS Public Librarian Certification Number of the Director of Public Library System, and Reference and Research 15501

Library  
Resources  
System.

- 1.31 Telephone  
Number of the  
System  
Director,  
including area  
code and extension (716) 858-7180  
(enter digits  
only, field will  
automatically  
format with  
extension)
- 1.32 E-Mail  
Address of the  
System Director jakubowskim@buffalolib.org
- 1.33 Fax Number  
of the System  
Director (enter  
10 digits only  
and hit the Tab  
key) (716) 858-6544
- 1.34 Name of  
Outreach  
Coordinator Dan Caufield
- 1.48 Does the  
reporting  
system have a  
contractual  
agreement  
with a  
municipality  
or district to  
provide library N  
services to  
residents of an  
area not served  
by a chartered  
library? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No. If yes,  
please

complete one repeating group for each contract. If no, enter N/A on questions 1 through 5 of one repeating group.

1. Name of Contracting Municipality or District N/A
  2. Is this a written contract? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No) N/A
  3. Population of the geographic area served by this contract N/A
  4. Dollar amount of contract N/A
  5. Indicate "Full" or "Partial" range of services provided by this contract (Select one) N/A
- 1.49 For the reporting year, has the system experienced any unusual circumstance(s) that affected the statistics and/or information reported (e.g. natural disaster, fire, closed for

renovations,  
massive  
weeding of  
collection,  
etc.)? Indicate  
Y for Yes, N  
for No. If Yes,  
please  
annotate using  
the State note.

## 2. Personnel Information

2.1 FTE (Full-  
Time  
Equivalent  
Calculation)  
The number of  
hours per work 35  
week used to  
compute FTE  
for all  
budgeted  
positions.

### **BUDGETED POSITIONS IN FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS**

(enter to two decimal places; enter decimal point)

2.4 Public Library  
System  
Director per 1  
CR 90.3(f) -  
Filled Position  
FTE

2.5 Public Library  
System  
Director per 0  
CR 90.3(f) -  
Vacant  
Position FTE

2.10 Librarians -  
Filled 48.26  
Position(s)  
FTE

2.11 Librarians -  
Vacant 2.82  
Position(s)

	FTE	
2.12	Outreach Coordinator (certified) per CR 90.3	1
	(1)(2)(iii) - Filled Position FTE	
2.13	Outreach Coordinator (certified) per CR 90.3	0
	(1)(2)(iii) - Vacant Position FTE	
2.14	<b>Total Certified Librarians - Filled Position(s)</b>	<b>50.26</b>
	<b>FTE (total questions 2.4 + 2.6 + 2.8 + 2.10 + 2.12)</b>	
2.15	<b>Total Certified Librarians - Vacant Position(s)</b>	<b>2.82</b>
	<b>FTE (total questions 2.5 + 2.7 + 2.9 + 2.11 + 2.13)</b>	
2.16	Total Other Professional Staff - Filled	16
	Position(s) FTE	
2.17	Total Other Professional Staff - Vacant	0
	Position(s) FTE	
2.18	Total Other Staff - Filled	177.6
	Position(s) FTE	

- 2.19 Total Other Staff - Vacant Position(s) 18.98  
FTE
- 2.20 Total Paid Staff - Filled Position(s) 243.86  
FTE (total questions 2.14 + 2.16 + 2.18)
- 2.21 Total Paid Staff - Vacant Position(s) 21.80  
FTE (total questions 2.15 + 2.17 + 2.19)

**SALARY INFORMATION**

- 2.22 Entry-Level Librarian 1  
(certified) FTE
- 2.23 Entry-Level Librarian (certified) \$36,315  
Current Annual Salary
- 2.24 System Director FTE 1
- 2.25 System Director \$120,000  
Current Annual Salary

**3. System Membership, Outlets and Governance**

**PUBLIC SERVICE OUTLETS**

- 3.9 Number of member libraries 22
- 3.15 Main Library/System Headquarters 1
- 3.16 Branches 8
- 3.17 Bookmobiles 0

- 3.18 Reading Centers 0
- 3.19 Other Outlets 2
- 3.20 Total Public Service Outlets (total questions 3.15 through 3.19) 11
- 3.21 Name of Central Library/Co-Central Libraries Buffalo and Erie County Public Library

BOARD/COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 3.22 Total number of public library system/3Rs board meetings or school library system council meetings held during reporting year 9
- 3.24 Number of voting positions on system board/council 15

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

- 3.25 Board/Council Selection - Enter Board/Council Selection Code (select one; drop-down). If O is selected, please use the State note to explain how members were A



named to the  
Board/Council

**SYSTEM BOARD/COUNCIL**

Public Library Systems - enter information for the period January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015.

School Library Systems and 3Rs Systems - enter information for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016

President/Council Chair

- 3.26 Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
- 3.27 First Name Theodore
- 3.28 Last Name Johnson
- 3.29 Institutional Affiliation Hadley Exhibits Inc.
- 3.30 Professional Title President
- 3.31 Mailing Address
- 3.32 City
- 3.33 Zip Code (enter five digits only)
- 3.34 Telephone for the Board President (enter 10 digits only and hit the Tab key)
- 3.35 E-mail Address
- 3.36 Term Begins - Month September

- 3.37 Term Begins - 2011  
Year (yyyy)
- 3.38 Term Expires - December  
Month or N/A
- 3.39 Term Expires - 2015  
Year (YYYY)  
or N/A
- 3.40 What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position). 5 years
- 3.41 The date the board president took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 9/16/2011
- 3.42 The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 9/16/2011
- 3.43 Is this a brand new trustee? N

Board/Council Member - complete one record for each Board/Council Member. For each vacant position, select "Vacant" in question 1, and enter N/A in questions 2-10 of the repeating group. The number of Council members must be 5 to 11 (no less than five and no more than 11).

1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Ms.

Honorable,  
The Reverend,  
Other (specify  
using the State  
note), Vacant

2. First Name Sharon
3. Last Name Thomas
4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo City Court
5. Professional Title Chief Court Clerk
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code  
(enter five  
digits only)
9. Term Begins -  
Month January
10. Term Begins -  
Year (yyyy) 2012
11. Term Expires -  
Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires -  
Year (YYYY)  
or N/A 2016
13. What is the  
length of this  
trustee's term?  
Please add a  
State Note if  
this trustee's  
term is not a  
full term (for  
example, this  
trustee was  
appointed to  
complete the  
remainder of a  
term of a  
trustee who  
resigned their  
position). 5 years

14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 01/18/2013
15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 01/18/2013
16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Mr.
2. First Name Frank
3. Last Name Gist
4. Institutional Affiliation N/A
5. Professional Title Retired
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
9. Term Begins - Month January
10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2011
11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A 2015

13. What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position). 5 years
14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 01/18/2013
15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 01/18/2013
16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Miss
2. First Name Phyllis
3. Last Name Horton
4. Institutional Affiliation N/A
5. Professional Title Retired

6. Mailing  
Address
7. City
8. Zip Code  
(enter five  
digits only)
9. Term Begins - January  
Month
10. Term Begins - 2005  
Year (yyyy)
11. Term Expires - December  
Month or N/A
12. Term Expires - 2009  
Year (YYYY)  
or N/A
13. What is the  
length of this  
trustee's term?  
Please add a  
State Note if  
this trustee's  
term is not a  
full term (for  
example, this 5 years  
trustee was  
appointed to  
complete the  
remainder of a  
term of a  
trustee who  
resigned their  
position).
14. The date the  
trustee took  
the Oath of 05/02/2005  
Office  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
15. The date the  
Oath of Office  
was filed with 05/02/2005  
town or county  
clerk  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
16. Is this a brand N

- new trustee?
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Ms. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
  2. First Name Sharon
  3. Last Name Kelly
  4. Institutional Affiliation Hodson Russ LLP
  5. Professional Title Attorney
  6. Mailing Address
  7. City
  8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
  9. Term Begins - Month March
  10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2011
  11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
  12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A 2015
  13. What is the length of this trustee's term? Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the 5 years

remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position).

14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 03/28/2011
15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 03/28/2011
16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Ms.
2. First Name Elaine
3. Last Name Panty
4. Institutional Affiliation N/A
5. Professional Title Retired
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
9. Term Begins - Month January
10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2013



11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) 2017 or N/A
13. What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position). 5 years
14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 05/17/2013
15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 05/17/2013
16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Mr.
2. First Name Wayne

3. Last Name Wisbaum
4. Institutional Affiliation Kavinsky Cook
5. Professional Title Attorney
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code  
(enter five digits only)
9. Term Begins - Month January
10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2010
11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A 2014
13. What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position). 5 years
14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 03/09/2010
15. The date the Oath of Office 03/09/2010

was filed with  
town or county  
clerk  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Alan
3. Last Name Bedenko
4. Institutional Affiliation Feldman Kieffer, LLP
5. Professional Title Attorney
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
9. Term Begins - Month January
10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2015
11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A 2019
13. What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a 5 years

full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position).

14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 02/6/2015

15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 02/06/2015

16. Is this a brand new trustee? Y

1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Mr.

2. First Name Sheldon

3. Last Name Berlow

4. Institutional Affiliation Pyramid Brokerage Inc.

5. Professional Title N/A

6. Mailing Address

7. City

8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)

9. Term Begins -  
Month November
10. Term Begins -  
Year (yyyy) 2012
11. Term Expires -  
Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires -  
Year (YYYY) 2013  
or N/A
13. What is the  
length of this  
trustee's term?  
Please add a  
State Note if  
this trustee's  
term is not a  
full term (for  
example, this 5 years  
trustee was  
appointed to  
complete the  
remainder of a  
term of a  
trustee who  
resigned their  
position).
14. The date the  
trustee took  
the Oath of 12/28/2012  
Office  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
15. The date the  
Oath of Office  
was filed with 12/28/2012  
town or county  
clerk  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
16. Is this a brand N  
new trustee?
1. Title (drop-  
down): Mr.,  
Mrs., Ms., Mr.  
Miss, Dr., The  
Honorable,  
The Reverend,

- Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Michael
  3. Last Name Amodeo
  4. Institutional Affiliation N/A
  5. Professional Title Attorney
  6. Mailing Address
  7. City
  8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
  9. Term Begins - Month April
  10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2013
  11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
  12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A 2017
  13. What is the length of this trustee's term? Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position). 5 years
  14. The date the trustee took 04/19/2013

- the Oath of  
Office  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
15. The date the  
Oath of Office  
was filed with  
town or county  
clerk 04/19/2013  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
16. Is this a brand  
new trustee? Y
1. Title (drop-  
down): Mr.,  
Mrs., Ms.,  
Miss, Dr., The  
Honorable, Ms.  
The Reverend,  
Other (specify  
using the State  
note), Vacant
2. First Name Kathleen
3. Last Name Bucki
4. Institutional  
Affiliation N/A
5. Professional  
Title Librarian
6. Mailing  
Address
7. City
8. Zip Code  
(enter five  
digits only)
9. Term Begins -  
Month
10. Term Begins -  
Year (yyyy)
11. Term Expires -  
Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires -  
Year (YYYY) 2016  
or N/A
13. What is the  
length of this 5 years

trustee's term?

Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position).

14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 04/19/2013
15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 04/19/2013
16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Ms.
2. First Name Kathleen
3. Last Name Burd
4. Institutional Affiliation N/A
5. Professional Title N/A
6. Mailing



- Address
7. City
  8. Zip Code  
(enter five digits only)
  9. Term Begins - April  
Month
  10. Term Begins - 2013  
Year (yyyy)
  11. Term Expires - December  
Month or N/A
  12. Term Expires - 2016  
Year (YYYY)  
or N/A
  13. What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position). 5 years
  14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 04/19/2013
  15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 04/19/2013
  16. Is this a brand new trustee? N

1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mrs. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Teresa
3. Last Name Vincent (Glanowski)
4. Institutional Affiliation Independent Health
5. Professional Title Product Manager
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
9. Term Begins - Month April
10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2013
11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December
12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A 2017
13. What is the length of this trustee's term? Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a 5 years

trustee who  
resigned their  
position).

14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy) 04/19/2013
15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county clerk (mm/dd/yyyy) 04/19/2013
16. Is this a brand new trustee? N
1. Title (drop-down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant Mr.
2. First Name Frank
3. Last Name Housh
4. Institutional Affiliation Housh Law Offices
5. Professional Title Attorney
6. Mailing Address
7. City
8. Zip Code (enter five digits only)
9. Term Begins - Month January
10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy) 2014
11. Term Expires - Month or N/A December

12. Term Expires -  
Year (YYYY) 2018  
or N/A
13. What is the  
length of this  
trustee's term?  
Please add a  
State Note if  
this trustee's  
term is not a  
full term (for  
example, this 5 years  
trustee was  
appointed to  
complete the  
remainder of a  
term of a  
trustee who  
resigned their  
position).
14. The date the  
trustee took  
the Oath of 12/23/2013  
Office  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
15. The date the  
Oath of Office  
was filed with 12/23/2013  
town or county  
clerk  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
16. Is this a brand N  
new trustee?
1. Title (drop-  
down): Mr.,  
Mrs., Ms.,  
Miss, Dr., The  
Honorable, Dr.  
The Reverend,  
Other (specify  
using the State  
note), Vacant
2. First Name Rhonda
3. Last Name Ricks
4. Institutional Inclusion Development Assoc.

- Affiliation
5. Professional Title      President/CEO
  6. Mailing Address
  7. City
  8. Zip Code  
(enter five digits only)
  9. Term Begins - Month      January
  10. Term Begins - Year (yyyy)      2014
  11. Term Expires - Month or N/A      December
  12. Term Expires - Year (YYYY) or N/A      2018
  13. What is the length of this trustee's term?  
Please add a State Note if this trustee's term is not a full term (for example, this trustee was appointed to complete the remainder of a term of a trustee who resigned their position).      5 years
  14. The date the trustee took the Oath of Office (mm/dd/yyyy)      01/17/2014
  15. The date the Oath of Office was filed with town or county      01/17/2014

clerk  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

16. Is this a brand new trustee? N

### COORDINATED OUTREACH COUNCIL

- 3.44 Has the Coordinated Outreach Council met at least two times during the calendar year per CR 90.3(j)(2)(iv)? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No). Y

Coordinated Outreach Council Members - complete one record for each Council Member for the period January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015. For each vacant position, select "Vacant" in question 1 and enter N/A in questions 2-5 of the repeating group. The number of council members must be 5 to 11 (no less than five and no more than 11).

**Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.**

1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Miguel
3. Last Name Santos
4. Institutional Affiliation National Grid
5. Professional Title Director of Community Outreach
1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Mr.

Honorable,  
The Reverend,  
Other (specify  
using the State  
note), Vacant

2. First Name Robert
3. Last Name Sikorski
4. Institutional Affiliation Niagara Frontier Radio Reading Service
5. Professional Title Director

1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant

2. First Name Eugene
3. Last Name Pierce
4. Institutional Affiliation Prisoners are People Too
5. Professional Title Director

1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant

2. First Name William
3. Last Name Miles
4. Institutional Affiliation Community Activist
5. Professional Title Facilitator

1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs.

Mrs., Ms.,  
Miss, Dr., The  
Honorable,  
The Reverend,  
Other (specify  
using the State  
note), Vacant

2. First Name Cindy
3. Last Name Cassavino
4. Institutional Affiliation Lord of Life Nursing Home
5. Professional Title Sr. Councilor

1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant

2. First Name Clifford
3. Last Name Bell
4. Institutional Affiliation Small Business Development Center
5. Professional Title Director

1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant

2. First Name Frank
3. Last Name Cammarata
4. Institutional Affiliation Erie County Office for the Disabled
5. Professional Title Director



1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Daniel
3. Last Name Caufield
4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System
5. Professional Title Supervisor of Adult & Teen Programs/Services
1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mrs. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Kathy
3. Last Name Galvin
4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System
5. Professional Title Niagara Branch Manager
1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Brian
3. Last Name Hoth
4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System

5. Professional Title Supervisor of Children's Programs/Services
1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Andrew
3. Last Name Maines
4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System
5. Professional Title Supervisor of Services to County & State Correctional Facilities
1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mrs. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Renee
3. Last Name Masters
4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System
5. Professional Title Supervisor of services to the aged and disabled
1. Title (drop down): Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss, Dr., The Honorable, Mr. The Reverend, Other (specify using the State note), Vacant
2. First Name Shane
3. Last Name Stevenson

- 4. Institutional Affiliation Buffalo Employment and Training Center
- 5. Professional Title Director

#### **4. Public Library System Transactions and Collection**

- 4.1 Number of registered system borrowers 83,410
- 4.2 Total system circulation 3,205,369
- 4.3 System Visits 1,005,375

#### **GENERAL SYSTEM HOLDINGS**

- 4.4 Total Cataloged Book Holdings 1,368,451
- 4.5 Uncataloged Book Holdings 97,664
- 4.6 Total Print Serial Holdings 434,065
- 4.7 All Other Print Materials Holdings 1,008,286
- 4.8 Total Number of NOVELNY Databases 11
- 4.9 Total Electronic Holdings 43,470
- 4.10 Other Non-Electronic Materials 188,320
- 4.11 **Grand Total Holdings (total questions 4.4 through 4.10)** 3,140,267

#### **ROTATING COLLECTIONS/BOOK LOANS**

- 4.12 Does the system have rotating Y

- collections/bulk loans? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No)
- 4.13 Number of collections 4
- 4.14 Average number of items per collection 35

## 5. System Services

### TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE SHARING

#### INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM (ILS)

- 5.1 Does the system provide an integrated library automation system (ILS) for its member libraries? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No) Y
- 5.2 Indicate which modules of the system's ILS have been implemented (check all that apply):
- a. Circulation Yes
  - b. Public Access Catalog Yes
  - c. Cataloging Yes
  - d. Acquisitions Yes
  - e. Inventory Yes
  - f. Serials Control Yes
  - g. Media Booking No
  - h. Community Information No
  - i. Electronic Resource Management No
  - j. Digital Collections No

	Management	
5.3	Identify ILS system vendor	SirsiDynix
5.4	How many member libraries fully participate in the ILS?	22
5.5	% of member libraries participating (calculated field)	100.00%
5.6	How many member libraries participate in some ILS modules?	0
5.7	Indicate features of the system's ILS (check all that apply):	
a.	ILS shared with other library systems	No
b.	ILS software permits patron-initiated ILL	Yes
c.	ILL feature implemented and used	No
5.8	Number of titles in the ILS bibliographic database	1,451,777
5.9	Number of new titles added by the system in the reporting year	26,621
5.10	Number of Central Library Aid	0

- titles added in the reporting year
- 5.11 Number of new titles added by the members in the reporting year 0
- 5.12 **Total new titles (total questions 5.9 through 5.11)** 26,621
- UNION CATALOG OF RESOURCES**
- 5.13 How many libraries participate in (or submit records for) the union catalog? 1
- 5.14 Is the system's union catalog shared with any other library system(s)? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No) N
- 5.15 Number of titles in the system's union catalog 1,451,777
- 5.16 Number of holdings in the system's union catalog 3,160,858
- 5.17 Number of new titles added in the last year 26,621
- 5.18 Number of holdings added in the last year 238,452

## **UNION LIST OF SERIALS**

- 5.19 Does the system have a union list of serials? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No. If No, enter zero (0) on question 5.20.) Y
- 5.20 How many libraries participate in (or submit records for) the union list of serials? 1

## **COMBINED SYSTEM UNION CATALOG AND UNION LIST OF SERIALS**

- 5.21 Does the system's union catalog contain both books and serials? (Enter Y for Yes, N for No, or N/A) Y

## **VIRTUAL CATALOG**

- 5.22 Does the system provide a virtual catalog for member libraries? (Enter Y for Yes, No for No, or N/A) Y
- 5.23 How many Internet-accessible member library catalogs are included in the virtual catalog? 0

5.24 How many member libraries have holdings included in a database that serves as a link of the virtual catalog? 0

5.25 Indicate the features of the system's virtual catalog (check all that apply):

- a. Non-member catalogs are included (if checked, please name non-member catalogs using the State note) No
- b. Non-library catalogs are included (if checked, please name non-library catalogs using the State note) No
- c. Patron-initiated ILL available and used through this catalog Yes
- d. N/A No

5.26 Does the library system provide access to member library catalogs which are not Internet accessible through the virtual catalog? (Enter Y for Yes, N



for No) If yes,  
please describe  
using the State  
note.

### **VISITS TO THE SYSTEM'S WEB SITE**

5.27 Annual  
number of  
visits to the 6,666,957  
system's web  
site

### **STATEWIDE INTERNET LIBRARIES (FORMERLY NOVEL<sub>NY</sub>- READY LIBRARIES)**

5.28 How many of  
the system's  
member  
libraries have  
achieved Basic 0  
Statewide  
Internet  
Library-ready  
status?

5.29 How many of  
the system's  
member  
libraries have  
achieved 9  
Advanced  
Statewide  
Internet  
Library-ready  
status?

5.30 How many of  
the system's  
member  
libraries have  
achieved 28  
Leader  
Statewide  
Internet  
Library-ready  
status?

5.31 **Total**  
**Statewide** 37  
**Internet**  
**Library-Ready**

Libraries (total questions 5.28 through 5.30)

### SYSTEM INTERLIBRARY LOAN ACTIVITY

5.32	Total items provided (loaned)	1,759
5.33	Total items received (borrowed)	5,105
5.34	Total requests provided (loaned) unfilled	5,111
5.35	Total requests received (borrowed) unfilled	1,425
5.36	Total interlibrary loan activity (total questions 5.32 through 5.35)	13,400

### DELIVERY

5.38 Indicate delivery methods used by the system (check all that apply):

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other", please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

- a. System courier (on the System's payroll) Yes
- b. Other system's courier No
- d. Contracted service (paid by System - not on payroll) No
- e. U.S. Mail No
- f. Commercial carrier (e.g.,

- UPS, DHL,  
etc.)
- g. Other (specify  
using the State No  
note)
- 5.39 Number of  
stops (pick-up 225  
and delivery  
sites per week)

**CONTINUING EDUCATION/STAFF DEVELOPMENT  
Workshops/Meetings/Training Sessions**

**Resource sharing (ILL, collection development, etc.)**

- 5.40 Number of  
sessions 0
- 5.41 Number of  
participants 0

**Technology**

- 5.42 Number of  
sessions 17
- 5.43 Number of  
participants 89

**Digitization**

- 5.44 Number of  
sessions 0
- 5.45 Number of  
participants 0

**Leadership**

- 5.46 Number of  
sessions 4
- 5.47 Number of  
participants 66

**Management & Supervisory**

- 5.48 Number of  
sessions 6
- 5.49 Number of  
participants 1,890

**Planning and Evaluation**

- 5.50 Number of  
sessions 0
- 5.51 Number of  
participants 0

**Awareness and Advocacy**

5.52 Number of sessions 1

5.53 Number of participants 3

**Trustee/Council Training**

5.54 Number of sessions 1

5.55 Number of participants 55

**Special Client Populations**

5.56 Number of sessions 2

5.57 Number of participants 90

**Children's Services/Elementary Grade Levels**

5.58 Number of sessions 0

5.59 Number of participants 0

**Young Adult Services/Middle and High School Grade Levels**

5.60 Number of sessions 0

5.61 Number of participants 0

**General Adult Services**

5.62 Number of sessions 0

5.63 Number of participants 0

5.64 **Other:** Does the system provide other Workshops/Meetings/Training Sessions not listed above? Y  
Enter Y for Yes, N for No.  
If Yes, complete one record for each

topic; if No,  
enter N/A for  
questions 1, 2  
and 3 of one  
repeating  
group.

- |    |                        |                     |
|----|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. | Topic                  | Employee Health     |
| 2. | Number of sessions     | 2                   |
| 3. | Number of participants | 111                 |
| 1. | Topic                  | Conflict Management |
| 2. | Number of sessions     | 1                   |
| 3. | Number of participants | 35                  |

5.65 **Grand Total Sessions** (total questions 5.40, 5.42, 5.44, 5.46, 5.48, 5.50, 5.52, 5.54, 5.56, 5.58, 5.60, 5.62 and total of question #2 of Repeating Group #5) 34

5.66 **Grand Total Participants** (total questions 5.41, 5.43, 5.45, 5.47, 5.49, 5.51, 5.53, 5.55, 5.57, 5.59, 5.61, 5.63 and total of question #3 of Repeating Group #5) 2,339

**COORDINATED SERVICES**

5.67 Indicate which services the system provides (check all that apply):

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other", please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

- a. Coordinated purchase of print materials Yes
- b. Coordinated purchase of non-print materials Yes
- c. Negotiated pricing for licensed electronic collection purchases (not purchasing) Yes
- d. Cataloging Yes
- e. Materials processing Yes
- f. Coordinated purchase of office supplies Yes
- g. Coordinated computer services/purchases Yes
- h. Virtual reference Yes
- i. Other (describe using the State note) Yes
- j. N/A No

#### **CONSULTING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES**

5.68 Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on grants, and state and federal funding 1,308

5.69	Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on funding and governance	4,084
5.70	Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on charter and registration work	1
5.71	Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on automation and technology	10,521
5.72	Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on youth services	4,520
5.73	Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on adult services	6,698
5.74	Number of contacts - Consulting with member libraries on physical plant needs	440
5.75	Number of contacts - Consulting	7,954

- with member libraries on personnel and management issues
- 5.76 Number of contacts - Consulting with state and county correctional facilities 939
- 5.77 Number of contacts - Providing information to local, county, and state legislators and their staffs 7,966
- 5.78 Number of contacts - Providing system and member library information to the media 16,157
- 5.79 Number of contacts - Providing website development and maintenance for member libraries 405
- 5.80 Does the system provide other Consulting and Technical Assistance Services not listed above? N



Enter Y for Yes, N for No. If Yes, complete one record for each topic. If No, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

- |    |                                |     |
|----|--------------------------------|-----|
| 1. | Topic                          | N/A |
| 2. | Number of contacts (all types) | N/A |
- 5.81 **Total other contacts** (total of question #2 of Repeating Group #6) 0
- 5.82 **Total number of contacts** (total of questions 5.68 through 5.79 and 5.81) 60,993

### REFERENCE SERVICES

- |      |                              |         |
|------|------------------------------|---------|
| 5.83 | Total Reference Transactions | 227,400 |
|------|------------------------------|---------|

### SERVICES TO SPECIAL CLIENTS (Direct and Contractual)

5.84 Indicate services the system provides to special clients (check all that apply):

- |    |  |     |
|----|--|-----|
| a. | Services for patrons with disabilities                   | Yes |
| b. | Services for patrons who are educationally disadvantaged | Yes |
| c. | Services for patrons who                                 | Yes |

- are aged
- d. Services for patrons who are geographically isolated Yes
- e. Services for patrons who are members of ethnic or minority groups in need of special library services Yes
- f. Services to patrons who are in institutions Yes
- g. Services for unemployed and underemployed individuals Yes
- i. N/A No
- 5.85 Number of BOOKS BY MAIL loans 0
- 5.86 Number of member libraries with Job/Education Information Centers or collections 17
- 5.87 Number of State Correctional Facilities libraries served 3
- 5.88 Number of County Jails libraries 2

- served
- 5.89 Number of institutions served other than jails or correctional facilities 0
- 5.90 Does the system provide other special client services not listed above? If yes, complete one record for each N service provided. If no, enter N/A in questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.
1. Service provided N/A
  2. Number of facilities/institutions served N/A
- 5.91 Does the system charge fees for any program or service? Enter Y for Yes; N for No. If yes, briefly describe using the text box below; if no, enter N/A in Question 5.92. N
- 5.92 Description of fees N/A

## 6. Operating Funds Receipts

## LOCAL PUBLIC FUNDS

- 6.1 Does the system receive county funding? Enter Y for Yes, N for No. If yes, please complete one record for each county. If No, enter N/A on questions 1 through 4 of one repeating group.
1. County Name Erie
  2. Amount \$23,739,238
  3. Subject to Public Vote (Enter Y for Yes, N for No, or N/A) N
  4. Written Contract (Enter Y for Yes, N for No, or N/A) N
- 6.2 **Total County Funding** \$23,739,238
- 6.3 All Other Local Public Funds \$0
- 6.4 **Total Local Public Funds** (total questions 6.2 and 6.3) \$23,739,238

## STATE AID RECEIPTS

- 6.5 Adult Literacy Library Services Grants \$7,621

6.6	Central Library Development Aid	\$262,743
6.7	Central Book Aid	\$60,611
6.8	Conservation/ Preservation Grants	\$12,736
6.9	Construction for Public Libraries Aid	\$61,797
6.10	Coordinated Outreach Services Aid	\$143,191
6.11	Correctional Facilities Library Aid	\$38,760
6.12	County Jails Library Aid	\$7,433
6.14	Family Literacy Grants	\$11,856
Local Library Services Aid		
6.18	Kept at System Headquarters	\$86,228
6.19	Distributed to members	\$171,553
6.20	<b>Total LLSA (total questions 6.18 and 6.19)</b>	\$257,781
6.21	Local Services Support Aid	\$199,761
6.22	Local Consolidated Systems Aid	\$0
6.26	Public Library System Basic Aid	\$1,500,390

Regional Bibliographic Data Bases (RBDB) Aid

6.31	Regional	\$4,256
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- Bibliographic  
Data Bases  
(RBDB)  
Grant(s) from  
3Rs
- 6.35 Special  
Legislative  
Grants and  
Member Items \$135,500
- 6.36 Supplementary  
System Aid \$185,113
- 6.37 The New York  
Public Library  
- The Research  
Libraries \$0
- 6.38 The New York  
Public Library,  
Andrew  
Heiskell  
Library for the  
Blind and  
Physically  
Handicapped  
Aid \$0
- 6.39 The New York  
Public Library,  
City \$0  
University of  
New York
- 6.40 The New York  
Public Library,  
Schomburg  
Center for \$0  
Research in  
Black Culture  
Library Aid
- 6.41 The New York  
Public Library,  
Science,  
Industry and \$0  
Business  
Library
- 6.42 Does the  
system receive Y  
state funding

from other sources? Enter Y for Yes, N for No. (Report Special Legislative Grants and Member Items on Q 6.35).

Complete one record for each grant. If the system does not receive other state aid, enter N/A on questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Funding Source Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority

2. Amount \$683,051

6.43 **Total Other State Aid** (total question #2 of Repeating Group #9 above) \$683,051

6.44 **Total State Aid Receipts** (total questions 6.5 through 6.14, question 6.17, questions 6.20 through 6.22, questions 6.25 through 6.27, questions 6.30 through 6.41, and question 6.43) \$3,572,600

**FEDERAL AID**

6.45 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) \$0

6.46 Does the system receive N any other

Federal Aid  
(specify Act  
and Title) e.g.,  
NEH, NEA,  
etc.? Enter Y  
for Yes, N for  
No.

Complete one record for each grant. If the system does not receive other federal aid, enter N/A on questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group

1. Funding Source N/A
2. Amount N/A
- 6.47 **Total Other Federal Aid** (total questions #2 of Repeating Group #10 above) \$0
- 6.48 **Total Federal Aid** (total questions 6.45 and 6.47) \$0

### **CONTRACTS WITH LIBRARIES and/or LIBRARY SYSTEMS IN NEW YORK STATE**

- 6.49 Does the system contract with libraries and/or library systems N in New York State? Enter Y for Yes, N for No.

Complete one record for each contract. If the system does not contract, enter N/A on questions 1, 2 and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Contracting Agency N/A
2. Contracted Service N/A
3. Total Contract Amount N/A
- 6.50 **Total** \$0



**Contracts**  
(total question  
#3 of  
Repeating  
Group #11  
above)

**MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS**

6.51 Gifts,  
Endowments,  
Fundraising,  
Foundations  
(include Gates  
Grants here; \$410,040  
specify project  
number(s) and  
dollar amount  
using the state  
note)

6.53 Income from Investments \$4,613

Proceeds from Sale of Property

6.54 Real Property \$0

6.55 Equipment \$0

6.56 Does the system have other miscellaneous receipts in categories not listed in questions 6.51 through 6.55?  
Enter Y for Yes, N for No.

Complete one record for each income category. If the system does not have other miscellaneous receipts, enter N/A on questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

- 1. Receipt category Library Charges
- 2. Amount \$410,744
- 1. Receipt category Refunds
- 2. Amount \$33,597
- 1. Receipt Rental of Real Property

- category
- 2. Amount \$17,560
- 1. Receipt category Commissions
- 2. Amount \$12,914
- 1. Receipt category Misc
- 2. Amount \$465,601

6.57 **Total Other  
Miscellaneous  
Receipts (total  
question #2 of \$940,416  
Repeating  
Group #12  
above)**

6.58 **Total  
Miscellaneous  
Receipts (total  
questions 6.51 \$1,355,069  
through 6.55  
and question  
6.57)**

6.59 **TOTAL  
OPERATING  
FUND  
RECEIPTS -  
Total Local  
Public Funds,  
Total State  
Aid, Total  
Federal Aid, \$28,666,907  
Total  
Contracts,  
and Total  
Miscellaneous  
Receipts (total  
questions 6.4,  
6.44, 6.48,  
6.50, and 6.58)**

6.60 **BUDGET  
LOANS \$0**

**TRANSFERS**

6.61 From Capital \$0

	Fund (Same as question 9.6)	
6.62	From Other Funds	\$0
6.63	<b>Total Transfers</b> (total questions 6.61 and 6.62)	\$0
6.64	CASH BALANCE - Beginning of Current Fiscal Reporting Year: Public Library Systems - January 1, 2014; 3Rs - July 1, 2014. (Same as closing cash balance at the end of previous fiscal reporting year: Public Library Systems - December 31, 2013; 3Rs - June 30, 2014.)	\$9,714,332
6.67	GRAND TOTAL RECEIPTS, BUDGET LOANS, TRANSFERS, AND BALANCE/ROLLOVER (Public Library Systems and 3Rs - total	\$38,381,239

questions 6.59,  
6.60, 6.63 and  
6.64 - must  
agree with  
question 7.83)  
(School  
Library  
Systems - total  
questions 6.59,  
6.65 and 6.66 -  
must agree  
with question  
7.83)

## **7. Operating Fund Disbursements**

### **STAFF EXPENDITURES**

#### Salaries

7.1	System Director and Librarians	\$2,376,785
7.2	Other Staff	\$6,118,133
7.3	<b>Total Salary and Wages Expenditures (total questions 7.1 and 7.2)</b>	\$8,494,918
7.4	Employee Benefits Expenditures	\$4,402,203
7.5	<b>Total Staff Expenditures (total questions 7.3 and 7.4)</b>	\$12,897,121

### **COLLECTION EXPENDITURES**

7.6	Print Materials Expenditures	\$409,461
7.7	Electronic Materials Expenditures	\$264,466
7.8	Other Materials Expenditures	\$240,288

7.9 **Total  
Collection  
Expenditures** \$914,215  
(total  
questions 7.6  
through 7.8)

## **GRANTS TO MEMBER LIBRARIES**

Cash Grants Paid From

7.10 Local Library  
Services Aid \$171,553  
(LLSA)

7.11 Central  
Library Aid \$0  
(CLDA/CBA)

7.15 Other State  
Aid/Grants  
(e.g.,  
Construction,  
Special \$122,500  
Legislative or  
Member  
Grants)

7.16 Federal Aid \$0

7.17 Other cash  
grants paid  
from system \$15,882  
funds

7.18 **Total Cash  
Grants (total  
questions 7.10  
through 7.17)** \$309,935

7.19 Book/Library  
Materials \$2,126,496  
Grants

7.20 Other Non-  
Cash Grants \$8,099,533

7.21 **Total Grants  
to Member  
Libraries** \$10,535,964  
(total  
questions 7.18  
through 7.20)

## **CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FROM OPERATING FUNDS**

7.22	Bookmobile	\$0
7.23	Other Vehicles	\$0
7.24	Computer Equipment	\$204,029
7.25	Furniture/Furn ishings	\$188,119
7.26	Other Capital Expenditures	\$2,450
7.27	<b>Total Capital Expenditures from Operating Fund</b> (total questions 7.22 through 7.26)	\$394,598

#### **TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES BY SOURCE OF FUNDS**

7.28	From Local Public Funds (71PF)	\$70,519
7.29	From Other Funds (71OF)	\$324,079
7.30	<b>Total Capital Expenditures by Source</b> (total questions 7.28 and 7.29; same as question 7.27)	\$394,598

#### **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS**

##### Repairs To Buildings and Building Equipment by Source of Funds

7.31	From Local Public Funds (72PF)	\$81,782
7.32	From Other Funds (72OF)	\$182
7.33	<b>Total Repairs to Buildings and Building Equipment</b> (total questions 7.31	\$81,964

and 7.32)

7.34 Other Building  
&  
Maintenance Expenses \$655,664

7.35 **Total  
Operation  
and  
Maintenance  
of Buildings** \$737,628  
(total  
questions 7.33  
and 7.34)

### MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

7.36 Total  
Operation &  
Maintenance  
of Bookmobiles  
and Other  
Vehicles \$56,567

7.37 Office and  
Library Supplies \$121,081

7.38 Telecommunic  
ations \$60,756

7.39 Binding  
Expenses \$9,052

7.40 Postage and  
Freight \$34,396

7.41 Publicity and  
Printing \$16,787

7.42 Travel \$23,834

7.43 Fees for  
Consultants  
and  
Professionals -  
Please include  
a State Note with the  
consultants' or  
vendors'  
names and a  
brief \$556,594

description of  
the service(s)  
provided.

7.44 Membership  
Dues - Please  
include a State  
Note listing  
Professional \$15,946  
Organization  
Memberships  
for which dues  
are being paid

7.46 Does the  
system have  
other  
miscellaneous  
expenses in  
categories not Y  
listed in  
questions 7.36  
through 7.45?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for No.

Complete one record for each expense category. If the system does not have other miscellaneous expenses, enter N/A on questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1.	Expense category	Elect Acc
2.	Amount	\$192,686
1.	Expense category	Equipment
2.	Amount	\$41,364
1.	Expense category	Misc
2.	Amount	\$610,776

7.47 **Total Other  
Miscellaneous  
Expenses**  
(total question \$844,826  
#2 of  
Repeating  
Group #13)

7.48 **Total  
Miscellaneous** \$1,739,839  
**Expenses**



(total questions 7.36 through 7.45 and 7.47)

**CONTRACTS WITH LIBRARIES and/or LIBRARY SYSTEMS IN NEW YORK STATE**

7.49 Does the system contract with libraries and/or library systems in New York State? Enter Y for Yes, N for No.

Complete one record for each contract. If the system does not contract, enter N/A on questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

- 1. Contracting Agency (specify using the State note) N/A
- 2. Contracted Service (specify using the State note) N/A
- 3. Total Contract Amount N/A

7.50 **Total Contracts** (total question #3 of Repeating Group #14 above) \$0

**DEBT SERVICE**

Capital Purposes Loans (Principal and Interest)

- 7.51 From Local Public Funds (73PF) \$1,092,225
- 7.52 From Other Funds (73OF) \$0
- 7.53 **Total Capital Purposes** \$1,092,225

**Loans** (total questions 7.51 and 7.52)

7.54 Other Loans \$0

7.55 **Total Debt Service** (total questions 7.53 and 7.54) \$1,092,225

7.56 **TOTAL TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS - Total Staff Expenditures, Total Collection Expenditures, Total Grants to Member Libraries, Total Capital Expenditures, Total Operation and Maintenance of Buildings, Total Miscellaneous Expenses, Total Contracts, and Total Debt Service** (total questions 7.5, 7.9, 7.21, 7.27, 7.35, 7.48, 7.50, and 7.55) \$28,311,590

## **TRANSFERS**

Transfers to the Capital Fund

7.57 From Local Public Funds \$0

	(76PF)	
7.58	From Other Funds (76OF)	\$904,214
7.59	<b>Total Transfers to Capital Fund</b> (total questions 7.57 and 7.58; same as question 8.2)	\$904,214
7.60	<b>Total Transfers to Other Funds</b>	\$0
7.61	<b>Total Transfers</b> (total questions 7.59 and 7.60)	\$904,214
7.62	<b>TOTAL DISBURSEM ENTS AND TRANSFERS</b> (total questions 7.56 and 7.61)	\$29,215,804
7.63	<b>CLOSING CASH BALANCE at the End of the Current Fiscal Reporting Year (For Public Library Systems - December 31, 2014) (For 3Rs - June 30, 2015)</b>	\$9,165,435
7.83	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	\$38,381,239

**DISBURSEMENTS,  
TRANSFERS,  
&  
BALANCE/ROLLOVER**

(total questions 7.62, 7.63, 7.73, and 7.82)

**FISCAL AUDIT**

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

- 7.84 Last audit performed 12/31/2013  
(mm/dd/yyyy)
- 7.85 Time period covered by this audit 1/1/2013-12/31/2013  
(mm/dd/yyyy - mm/dd/yyyy)
- 7.86 Indicate type of audit (select one from drop-down): Private Accounting Firm

**ACCOUNT INFORMATION**

Complete one record for each financial account

1. Name of bank or financial institution N/A
  2. Amount of funds on deposit N/A
- 7.87 **Total Bank Balance** (total question #2 of Repeating Group #15) \$0
- 7.88 Does the system have a Capital Fund? Y  
Enter Y for

Yes, N for No.  
If yes, please  
complete the  
Capital Fund  
Report. If no,  
stop here.

## 8. Capital Fund Receipts

- 8.1 **Total Revenue From Local Sources** \$0
- 8.2 **Transfer From Operating Fund** \$904,214  
(same as question 7.59)

### STATE AID FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

- 8.3 State Aid Received for Construction \$0

### ALL OTHER AID AND/OR GRANTS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

- 8.4 Does the system receive any other aid and/or grants for capital projects. Enter Y for Yes, N for No. If yes, complete one record for each award. If no, enter N/A on questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group. N
1. Contracting Agency N/A
2. Amount N/A
- 8.5 **Total Aid** \$0

**and/or Grants**  
(total question  
#2 of  
Repeating  
Group #16  
above)

- 8.6 **TOTAL RECEIPTS - Revenues from Local Sources, Interfund Revenue, State Aid for Capital Projects, and Total Federal Aid** (total questions 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, and 8.5) \$904,214
- 8.7 **NONREVENUE RECEIPTS** 0
- 8.8 **TOTAL RECEIPTS - Total Receipts and Nonrevenue Receipts** (total questions 8.6 and 8.7) \$904,214
- 8.9 **CASH BALANCE - Beginning of Current Fiscal Reporting Year: Public Library Systems - January 1, 2014; 3Rs - July 1, 2014.** (Same as closing cash) \$561,356

balance at the  
end of  
previous fiscal  
reporting year:  
Public Library  
Systems -  
December 31,  
2013; 3Rs -  
June 30,  
2014.)

8.10 **TOTAL  
RECEIPTS  
AND CASH  
BALANCE** \$1,465,570  
(total  
questions 8.8  
and 8.9)

## 9. Capital Fund Disbursements

### PROJECT EXPENDITURES

9.1	Total Construction	\$1,151,504
9.2	Incidental Construction	0
9.3	Books and Library Materials	0
9.4	Total Other Disbursements	0
9.5	<b>Total Project Expenditures</b> (total questions 9.1 through 9.4)	\$1,151,504
9.6	<b>TRANSFER TO OPERATING FUND</b> (Same as question 6.61)	0
9.7	<b>TOTAL NONPROJE CT</b>	0

**EXPENDITURES**

- 9.8 **TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS - Total Project Expenditures, Transfer to Operating Fund, and Total Nonproject Expenditures** (total questions 9.5 through 9.7) \$1,151,504
- 9.9 **CLOSING CASH BALANCE IN CAPITAL FUND at the End of the Current Fiscal Year** (December 31, 2014, for Public Library Systems; June 30, 2015, for 3Rs) \$314,066
- 9.10 **TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS AND CASH BALANCE** (total questions 9.8 and 9.9) \$1,465,570

**12. Projected Annual Budget For Library Systems**

**Public Library Systems Budget for January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015**

**PROJECTED OPERATING FUND - RECEIPTS**



- 12.1 Total  
Operating  
Fund Receipts  
(include Local  
Aid, State Aid, \$27,338,621  
Federal Aid,  
Contracts and  
Miscellaneous  
Receipts)
- 12.2 Budget Loans \$0
- 12.3 Total \$0  
Transfers
- 12.4 Cash  
Balance/Rollo  
ver in  
Operating  
Fund at the  
end of the  
previous fiscal  
year  
(For Public  
Library  
Systems,  
opening \$9,165,435  
balance on  
January 1,  
2015, must be  
the same as the  
December 31,  
2014, closing  
balance  
reported on  
Q7.63 of the  
2014 annual  
report)
- 12.5 Grand Total  
Operating  
Fund Receipts,  
Budget Loans,  
Transfers and \$36,504,056  
Balance/Rollo  
ver (total  
questions 12.1  
through 12.4)

**PROJECTED OPERATING FUND - DISBURSEMENTS**

12.6	Total Operating Fund Disbursements (include Staff Expenditures, Collection Expenditures, Grants to Member Libraries, Capital Expenditures from Operating Funds, Operation and Maintenance of Buildings, Miscellaneous Expenses, Contracts with Libraries and Library Systems in New York State and Debt Service)	\$27,338,621
12.7	Total Transfers	\$0
12.8	Cash Balance/Rollo ver in Operating Fund at the end of the fiscal year (For Public Library Systems, balance as of December 31, 2015)	\$9,165,435
12.9	<b>Grand Total Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$36,504,056</b>

Disbursements  
, Transfers and  
Balance/Rollo  
ver (total  
questions 12.6  
through 12.8)

**PROJECTED CAPITAL FUND - RECEIPTS**

12.1	Capital Fund	
0	Receipts (include Revenues from Local Sources, Transfer from Operating Fund, State Aid for Capital Projects and All Other Aid for Capital Projects)	\$11,911
12.1	Nonrevenue Receipts	\$0
12.1	Cash Balance in Capital Fund at the end of the previous fiscal year (For Public Library Systems, opening balance on January 1, 2015, must be the same as the December 31, 2014, closing balance reported on Q9.9 of the 2014 annual report)	\$314,066
12.1	Grand Total Capital Fund	\$325,977

Receipts and  
Balance (total  
questions  
12.10 through  
12.12)

**PROJECTED CAPITAL FUND - DISBURSEMENTS**

12.1 Capital Fund  
4 Disbursements  
(include  
Project  
Expenditures, \$325,977  
Transfer to  
Operating  
Fund and  
Nonproject  
Expenditures

12.1 Cash Balance  
5 in Capital  
Fund at the  
end of the  
current fiscal  
year \$0  
(For Public  
Library  
Systems,  
December 31,  
2015)

12.1 Grand Total  
6 Capital Fund  
Disbursement,  
Transfers, and  
Balance (Sum \$325,977  
of questions  
12.14 and  
12.15)

**ASSURANCE**

12.1 The library  
7 system will be  
operating  
under its  
approved Plan 4/16/2015  
of Service in  
accordance  
with the  
provisions of

Education Law  
and the  
Regulations of  
the  
Commissioner,  
and assures  
that the  
"Budget  
Summary" was  
reviewed and  
accepted by  
the System  
Board/Council  
on (date -  
mm/dd/yyyy)

### 13. State Formula Aid Disbursements

#### Public Library Systems Basic Aid

**PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEMS BASIC AID, SUPPLEMENTAL AID and either LOCAL LIBRARY SERVICES AID and LOCAL SERVICES SUPPORT AID or LOCAL CONSOLIDATED SERVICES AID (Brooklyn, New York Public and Queens Borough only)**

**Statutory Reference (Basic Aid):** Education Law § 272, 273(1)(a, c, d, e, n) Commissioners Regulations 90.3

**Statutory Reference (LLSA):** Education Law § 272, 273(5) Commissioners Regulations 90.3 and 90.9 The formula is \$0.31 per capita of a member library's chartered services area with a minimum of \$1,500 per library with formula equity to 1991 LLIA.

**Statutory Reference (LSSA):** Education Law § 272, 273(1)(f)(6) Commissioners Regulations 90.3 and 90.10

The formula is \$0.31 per capita for system population living outside the chartered service areas of member libraries plus 2/3 members LLSA.

**Statutory Reference (LCSA):** Education Law § 272, 273(1)(f)(7)  
Commissioners Regulations 90.3  
The formula is \$0.31 per capita plus 2/3 of per capita total with formula equity to 1991 LLIA.

**Statutory Reference (Supplemental):** Education Law § 273(12)(a)  
The formula is a base grant of \$39,000 and an amount equal to 10.94% of the amount of Basic Aid provided under Education Law § 273(1)(a, c, d, e, and n).

**BECPL Special Aid:** Education Law § 273(1)(l)  
Annual sum of \$50,000 for a continuity of service project. (Included in Basic Aid Payment)

**Brooklyn Special Aid:** Education Law § 273(1)(k)  
Annual sum of \$350,000 for business library. (Included in Basic Aid Payment)

**Nassau Special Aid:** Education Law § 273(1)(m)

13.1.1-13.1.2 **Professional Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all professional system employees.

13.1 Total Full-  
 .1 Time                    6.89  
 Equivalents  
 (FTE)

13.1 Total  
 .2 Expenditure  
 for                    \$281,106  
 Professional  
 Salaries

13.1.3-13.1.4 **Other Staff Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all other system employees.

13.1 Total Full-  
 .3 Time                    24.18  
 Equivalents  
 (FTE)

13.1 Total  
 .4 Expenditure       \$955,229  
 for Other Staff  
 Salaries

13.1 **Employees**  
 .5 **Benefits:**  
 Indicate the  
 total                    \$691,190  
 expenditures  
 for all system  
 employee  
 fringe benefits.

13.1 **Purchased**  
 .6 **Services:** Did  
 the system  
 expend funds       N  
 for purchased  
 services?  
 Enter Y for  
 Yes, N for No.

**Note:** For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2 and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure       N/A  
 Category

2. Provider of       N/A

Services  
3. Expenditure N/A

13.1 **Total**  
.7 **Expenditure -** \$0  
**Purchased**  
**Services**

13.1 **Supplies and**  
.8 **Materials:**  
Did the system  
expend funds  
for supply  
items, postage,  
library  
materials, or N  
equipment and  
furnishings  
with a unit  
cost less than  
\$5,000? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No.

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure N/A  
Category

2. Expenditure N/A

13.1 **Total**  
.9 **Expenditure -** \$0  
**Supplies and**  
**Materials**

13.1 **Travel**  
.10 **Expenditures:**  
Did the system  
expend funds N  
for travel?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for No.



If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Type of Travel N/A
2. Expenditure N/A

13.1 **Total**

.11 **Expenditures** \$0  
**- Travel**

13.1 **Equipment**

.12 **and**

**Furnishings:**

Did the system  
expend funds  
for equipment  
and  
furnishings  
with a unit N  
cost of \$5,000  
or more and  
having a  
useful life of  
more than one  
year. Enter Y  
for Yes, N for  
No.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no enter N/A for questions 1, 2, 3, and 4 of one repeating group.

1. Type of Item N/A
2. Quantity N/A
3. Unit Cost N/A
4. Expenditure N/A

13.1 **Total**

.13 **Expenditure -** \$0  
**Equipment and**  
**Furnishings**

13.1 **Local Library**

.14 **Services Aid**

**Expenditures:**

Indicate the \$171,553  
total  
expenditures  
to member

libraries for  
Local Library  
Services Aid.

13.1 **Grants to**

.15 **Member**

**Libraries:** Did  
the system  
expend funds N  
for grants to  
member  
libraries?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for no.

If yes, complete one record for each grant; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Recipient N/A
2. Allocation N/A
3. Project  
Description  
(no more than  
300 words)

13.1 **Total**

.16 **Expenditures -**  
**Grants for** \$0  
**Member**  
**Libraries**

13.1 **Total**

.17 **Expenditure**  
(total 13.1.2,  
13.1.4, 13.1.5,  
13.1.7, 13.1.9, \$2,099,078  
13.1.11,  
13.1.13,  
13.1.14, and  
13.1.16)

13.1 **Cash Balance**

.18 **at the**  
**Opening of**  
**the Fiscal** \$58,906  
**Year**

NOTE: The  
opening  
balance must

be the same as  
the closing  
balance of the  
previous year.

13.1 **Total**  
.19 **Allocation**  
**from 2014-** \$2,125,059  
**2015 State**  
**Aid:**

13.1 **Cash Balance**  
.20 **at the End of** \$84,887  
**the Current**  
**Fiscal Year**

13.1 **Final** The Public Library System Aid helped to support the wages and fringe  
.21 **Narrative:** benefits for staff members of various departments of Buffalo & Erie  
Provide a brief County Public Library (B&ECPL) such as Shipping, Interlibrary Loan,  
narrative, no Technical Services, and Processing who are imperative in providing  
more than prompt access to needed information and materials for our patrons. These  
fifteen departments are responsible for the movement of library materials from  
hundred acquisition to the various locations in order to fulfill patrons' needs and  
(1500) words, requests. In addition, this aid assisted in meeting the personnel costs in  
describing the areas supporting Technology Services. Areas include B&ECPL's  
major information technology and communications staff members who oversee  
activities the System's integrated network system and present an informative and  
carried out easy to use website, catalog and reference service to remote library users.  
with these B&ECPL's information technology staff continues to find innovative and  
State Aid interesting ways to improve patrons' access to information, including the  
Funds. use of social media outlets. Network support and communications staff  
members are also responsible for the maintenance of the public website,  
including the posting of upcoming events at all B&ECPL locations. The  
website also provides access to B&ECPL's various downloadable  
materials. This aid supported staff costs for those B&ECPL departments  
that provided consulting and technical support for member/contract  
libraries through staff expertise and assistance related to finance,  
governance, automation, technological support, borrower services,  
collection development, human resources and the implementation of  
RFID technology. Consultation is also provided to the contract/member  
libraries with applications for, and implementation of State Construction  
Grant programs. By providing assistance to member libraries, public  
service staff is freed from these duties and able to focus attention on  
patron needs including; but not limited to, reference assistance and  
programming. Finally, this aid supported B&ECPL staff costs for those  
departments that provide coordinated system services such as electronic  
access to databases and other electronic resources, including B&ECPL's  
"Tech Know Lab" which provided computer training to patron and staff  
members at locations throughout the system. B&ECPL's "e-Branch" has

become the primary contact for patrons requiring technical support when taking advantage of the Library's wide range of downloadable resources (e-Books, Audio books, etc). Consolidation of utility purchases, office and library supplies purchases, and equipment purchases, resulting in both cost and time savings for the member/contract libraries. In addition the Human Resources department, continue to assist staff members, by developing new staffing plans and providing on-going training. BECPL's Centralized Human Resources (CHR) program provides centralized payroll, civil service and human resource activities for all member/contract libraries. The Purchased Services portion of this aid represents funds that was provided to member libraries to cover personnel costs.

**Central Book Aid**

**CENTRAL BOOK AID (CBA)**

**Statutory** Education Law § 272, 273(1)(b)(2)

**Reference:** Commissioners Regulations 90.4

Central Book Aid is a flat sum of \$71,500 to each public library system. Please see the Central Library Program Guidelines at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/clda/index.html> for more information.

Include in this category library expenditures for CBA library materials. CBA funds may only be expended for adult non-fiction and foreign language library materials, including electronic content.

**Yes must be answered at least once in Questions 13.2.1 - 13.2.5**

**13.2 Purchased**

- .1 Services:** Did the library system expend CBA funds for purchased services for CBA library materials? Enter Y for Yes, N for No.

**Note:** For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

List services purchased with CBA funds in separate repeating groups, itemizing by vendor

contract. If yes, complete one record for each allowable expenditure; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category Commercial electronic content vendor contracts
2. Provider of Services Mergent Online
3. Expenditure \$21,985

1. Expenditure Category Commercial electronic content vendor contracts
2. Provider of Services Proquest
3. Expenditure \$22,990

1. Expenditure Category Commercial electronic content vendor contracts
2. Provider of Services Ebsco
3. Expenditure \$15,636

13.2 **Total**  
.2 **Expenditure - Purchased Services** \$60,611

13.2 **Supplies and Materials:**  
.3 Did the library system expend CBA funds for adult non-fiction and foreign language library materials with a unit cost less than \$5,000?  
Enter Y for Yes, N for No. N

**Note:** For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, 3, and 4 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category N/A
2. Quantity N/A
3. Unit Cost N/A
4. Expenditure N/A

13.2 **Total**  
.4 **Expenditure - Supplies and Materials** \$0

13.2 **Grants to Central/Co-Central Libraries: Did the system expend funds for grants to central/co-central libraries?** N  
Enter Y for Yes, N for No.

If yes, complete one record for each grant; if no, enter N/A for questions 1,2, and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Recipient N/A
2. Allocation N/A
3. Project Description (no more than 300 words)

13.2 **Total**  
.6 **Expenditure - Grants to Central/Co-Central Libraries** \$0

13.2 **Total**  
.7 **Expenditure (total 13.2.2,** \$60,611

13.2.4, and  
13.2.6)

13.2 **Cash Balance**  
.8 **at the**  
**Opening of**  
**the Current**  
**Fiscal Year**

NOTE: The opening balance must be the same as the closing balance of the previous year. \$0

13.2 **Total**  
.9 **Allocation**  
**from 2014-**  
**2015 State**  
**Aid**

\$60,611

13.2 **Cash Balance**  
.10 **at the End of**  
**the Current**  
**Fiscal Year**

\$0

13.2 **Final**

.11 **Narrative:** Central Library Book Aid was used to continue to provide access to three Provide a brief major databases used by Buffalo & Erie County Public Library narrative, no (B&ECPL)'s Central Library staff and patrons. Mergent Online is a great more than five source of information for patrons interested in opening a new business or hundred (500) expanding a new business. From Proquest, B&ECPL extended its access words, to Ancestry Library an excellent online resource for patrons doing describing the genealogical research. This resource is a greatly used in the Central major Library's Grosvenor Room, a center for local history and genealogical activities research. Ebsco provided us with Masterfile Premier, an online resource carried out providing access to a wide range of topics. Masterfile provides online with these access to numerous periodicals, supplementing B&ECPL's print State Aid subscriptions. Funds.

**Central Library Development Aid**

**CENTRAL LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT AID (CLDA)**

**Statutory** Education Law § 272, 273(1)(b)(1)

**Reference:** Commissioners Regulations 90.4

The formula is \$0.32 per capita or \$105,000 whichever is greater. Please see the Central

Library Program Guidelines at  
<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/clda/index.html>  
for more information.

Note: CLDA funds which are expended for library materials must be used for adult non-fiction and foreign language, including electronic content.

13.3.1-13.3.2 **Professional Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all professional system employees (paid from CLDA funds).

13.3	Total Full-	
.1	Time	
	Equivalents	2.82
	(FTE)	
13.3	Total	
.2	Expenditure	
	for	\$103,066
	Professional	
	Salaries	

13.3.3-13.3.4 **Other Staff Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all other system employees (paid from CLDA funds).

13.3	Total Full-	
.3	Time	
	Equivalents	3.3
	(FTE)	
13.3	Total	
.4	Expenditures	
	for Other Staff	\$80,339
	Salaries	

13.3	<b>Employee</b>	
.5	<b>Benefits:</b>	
	Indicate the	
	total	
	expenditures	\$82,624
	for all system	
	employee	
	benefits (paid	
	from CLDA	
	funds).	

13.3	<b>Purchased</b>	
.6	<b>Services:</b> Did	
	the system	N
	expend funds	
	for purchased	
	services? Enter	



Y for Yes, N  
for No.

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category N/A
2. Provider of Services N/A
3. Expenditure N/A

13.3 **Total**  
.7 **Expenditure - Purchased Services** \$0

13.3 **Supplies and**  
.8 **Materials:**  
Did the system  
expend funds  
for supply  
items, postage,  
adult  
nonfiction and  
foreign  
language N  
library  
materials, or  
equipment and  
furnishings  
with a unit  
cost less than  
\$5,000? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No.

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure N/A

Category  
2. Expenditure N/A

13.3 **Total**  
.9 **Expenditure -** \$0  
**Supplies and**  
**Materials**

13.3 **Travel**  
.10 **Expenditures:**  
Did the system  
expend funds Y  
for travel?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for No.

If yes, complete one record for each type of travel; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Type of travel System staff  
2. Expenditure \$146

13.3 **Total**  
.11 **Expenditures** \$146  
**- Travel**

13.3 **Equipment**  
.12 **and**  
**Furnishings:**  
Did the system  
expend funds  
for equipment  
and  
furnishings  
with a unit N  
cost of \$5,000  
or more and  
having a  
useful life of  
more than one  
year. Enter Y  
for Yes, N for  
No.

If yes, complete one record for each type of item purchased; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 of one repeating group.

1. Type of item N/A  
2. Quantity N/A

- 3. Unit cost N/A
- 4. Proposed Expenditure N/A

13.3 **Total**  
 .13 **Expenditure - Equipment and Furnishings** \$0

13.3 **Grants to**  
 .14 **Central/Co-Central Libraries:** Did the system expend funds for grants to central/co-central libraries? Enter Y for Yes, N for No. N

If yes, complete one record for each grant; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

- 1. Recipient N/A
- 2. Allocation N/A
- 3. Project Description (no more than 300 words)

13.3 **Total**  
 .15 **Expenditure - Grants to Central/Co-Central Libraries** \$0

13.3 **Total**  
 .16 **Expenditure (total 13.3.2, 13.3.4, 13.3.5, 13.3.7, 13.3.9, 13.3.11, 13.3.13, and** \$266,175

**13.3.15)**

**13.3 Cash Balance  
.17 at the  
Opening of  
the Fiscal  
Year**

NOTE: The opening balance must be the same as the closing balance of the previous year. \$16,220

**13.3 Total  
.18 Allocation  
from 2014-  
2015 State  
Aid:**

\$262,743

**13.3 Cash Balance  
.19 at the end of  
the Current  
Fiscal Year**

\$12,787

**13.3 Final  
.20 Narrative:**

Provide a brief narrative, no more than five hundred (500) words, describing the major activities carried out with these State Aid Funds.

Funds from Central Library Development Aid helped to sustain the Central Library's Grosvenor Room (local history, genealogy and rare books) who respond to the bulk of B&ECPL's specialized email and telephone requests. The Special Collections department continued to promote and exhibit the collection of rare books from B&ECPL's collection, making the Central Library a focal point for tourism and research throughout and beyond the County of Erie. Central Library Development Aid help supplement wages and fringes for staff members who are a major resource when planning and implementing many of the programs and exhibits held at the Central Library, especially those related to items from our Rare Book Collection. In 2014 the Central Library's held an exhibit celebrating the 75th anniversary of the film "The Wizard of Oz" including the display of B&ECPL's first edition of L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, and well as Baum's other books from our Rare Book collection set in the Land of Oz This aid also provided staff to assist library patrons in using public access computers and staff members to shelve and retrieve items in the various collections throughout the building.

**Coordinated Outreach Library Services Aid**

**COORDINATED OUTREACH LIBRARY SERVICES AID**

**Reference:** 273(1)(h)  
Commissioners  
Regulations 90.3

13.4.1-13.4.2 **Professional Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all professional system employees.

13.4 Total Full-  
.1 Time 1.55  
Equivalents  
(FTE)

13.4 Total  
.2 Expenditure \$64,748  
for  
Professional  
Salaries

13.4.3-13.4.4 **Other Staff Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all other system employees.

13.4 Total Full-  
.3 Time 2  
Equivalents  
(FTE)

13.4 Total Proposed  
.4 Expenditure \$20,810  
for Other Staff  
Salaries

13.4 **Employee**  
.5 **Benefits:**  
Indicate the  
total \$45,061  
expenditures  
for all system  
employee  
benefits.

13.4 **Purchased**  
.6 **Services:** Did  
the system  
expend funds N  
for purchased  
services? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No.

**Note:** For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each allowable expenditure; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category N/A
2. Provider of Services N/A
3. Expenditure N/A

13.4 **Total**  
.7 **Expenditure - Purchased Services** \$0

13.4 **Supplies and Materials:**  
.8 Did the system expend funds for supply items, postage, library materials, or equipment and furnishings with a unit cost less than \$5,000? Enter Y for Yes, N for No. N

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category N/A
2. Expenditure N/A

13.4 **Total**  
.9 **Expenditure - Supplies and Materials** \$0

13.4 **Travel** Y

.10 **Expenditures:**

Did the system  
expend funds  
for travel?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for No.  
Indicate the  
total  
expenditures  
for system  
employee  
travel only in  
this category.

If yes, complete one record for each type of travel; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2.

1. Type of Travel System staff
2. Expenditure \$65

13.4 **Total**

.11 **Expenditure - \$65**  
**Travel**

13.4 **Equipment**

.12 **and**

**Furnishings:**

Did the system  
expend funds  
for equipment  
and  
furnishings  
with a unit N  
cost of \$5,000  
or more and  
having a  
useful life of  
more than one  
year. Enter Y  
for Yes, N for  
No.

If yes, complete one record for each type of item purchased; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, 3, and 4 of one repeating group.

1. Type of item N/A
2. Quantity N/A
3. Unit Cost N/A
4. Expenditure N/A

13.4 **Total**  
.13 **Expenditure -  
Equipment      \$0  
and  
Furnishings**

13.4 Did the system  
.14 expend funds  
on grants to  
member      N  
libraries?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for No.

If yes, complete one record for each grant; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Recipient      N/A
2. Allocation      N/A
3. Description of  
Project

13.4 **Total**  
.15 **Expenditure -  
Grants to      \$0  
Member  
Libraries**

13.4 **Total**  
.16 **Expenditure**  
(total 13.4.2,  
13.4.4, 13.4.5,  
13.4.7, 13.4.9, \$130,684  
13.4.11,  
13.4.13, and  
13.4.15)

13.4 **Cash Balance**  
.17 **at the  
Opening of  
the Fiscal  
Year**  
NOTE: The      \$44,274  
opening  
balance must  
be the same as  
the closing  
balance of the



previous year.

13.4 **Total**  
.18 **Allocation**  
**from 2014-** \$143,191  
**2015 State**  
**Aid:**

13.4 **Cash Balance**  
.19 **at the End of** \$56,782  
**the Current**  
**Fiscal Year**

13.4 **Final** Buffalo & Erie County Public Library (B&ECPL) continues to provide a  
.20 **Narrative:** welcoming atmosphere at all its locations for persons with disabilities  
Provide a brief and continue to develop a staff trained to work with diverse populations.  
narrative, no The System has established outreach services by providing programs and  
more than five services to the resident of Buffalo, and the surrounding area, at the eight  
hundred (500) City branches. Staff members continued learning new disabilities  
words, technologies to train additional staff throughout the System in 2015.  
describing the B&ECPL's Adult Programming continues to reach out and partner with  
major other local organizations, including Literacy New York and Project  
activities Flight to provide insight to the resources available at the library, to  
carried out improve literacy, economic development and provide job placement  
with these assistance. The Adult Programming team continued to streamline the  
State Aid procedures for requesting Bi-Folkal kits, and surveying patrons to ensure  
Funds. the proper collection. Coordinated Outreach Library Services Aid  
provided funding for staff members who have been trained to offer equal  
access to the Library's services by meeting the needs of persons with  
disabilities through use of computers and other technology. Working  
with Erie County Office for the Disabled, a survey was conducted to  
better understand the needs of individuals with disabilities, so technology  
could be used to fulfill these needs. Staff continued to develop programs  
that entertain and educate the diverse population of Buffalo and Erie  
County, while promoting the resources and services available for their  
use at B&ECPL. The focus of outreach is senior citizens with limited  
mobility, persons with disabilities, and children at risk. In 2014, the  
Central Library hosted "Disability Awareness Month" and two Diversity  
Job fairs. Collections and resources are used effectively to serve special  
client populations. In addition B&ECPL Children's Programming team  
continued to coordinate System-wide programs, including New York  
Summer Reading Program, and B&ECPL's own Battle of the Books  
program, which celebrated its 16th anniversary in 2014, keeping children  
reading during the summer.

#### Services to County Jails Aid

#### SERVICE TO COUNTY JAILS (INTERINSTITUTIONAL) AID

**Statutory  
Reference:**

Education Law §  
285(2)

The intent of the Services to County Jails Program is to provide basic reading materials for those individuals who are incarcerated short term in county jails across the State. Examples of appropriate spending include books and magazine / newspaper subscriptions which are acceptable to the institution (Supplies & Materials), as well as programs such as Job Information and other topics directly relevant to the county jail inmate's needs (Purchased Services).

**13.5 Purchased**

- .1 **Services:** Did the system expend funds for purchased services? Enter Y for Yes, N for No. Y

**Note:** For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each allowable expenditure; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, and 3 of one repeating group.

- |    |                      |                                      |
|----|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Expenditure Category | Other (specify using the State note) |
| 2. | Provider of Services | Buffalo & Erie County Public Library |
| 3. | Expenditure          | \$6,392                              |

**13.5 Total**

- .2 **Expenditure - Purchased Services** \$6,392

**13.5 Supplies and**

- .3 **Materials:** Did the system expend funds for supply items, postage, library materials, or equipment and furnishings with a unit cost less than Y

\$5,000? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No.

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each type of item purchased; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category Books and other print materials
2. Expenditure \$30

13.5 **Total**  
.4 **Expenditure -  
Supplies and  
Materials** \$30

13.5 **Total**  
.5 **Expenditure  
(total 13.5.2,  
and 13.5.4)** \$6,422

13.5 **Cash Balance**  
.6 **at the  
Opening of  
the Fiscal  
Year:**  
NOTE: The  
opening \$666  
balance must  
be the same as  
the closing  
balance from  
the previous  
year.

13.5 **Total**  
.7 **Allocation  
from 2014-  
2015 State  
Aid** \$7,433

13.5 **Cash Balance**  
.8 **at the End of  
the Current  
Fiscal Year** \$1,677

13.5 **Final** Buffalo & Erie County Public Library (B&ECPL) continued to provide

.9 **Narrative:**Provide a brief narrative, no more than five hundred (500) words, describing the major activities carried out with these State Aid Funds. comprehensive and innovative service to all penal-connected facilities operated by Erie County - the Erie County Holding Center and the Erie County Correctional Facility. Library services in these facilities encompass a variety of materials in print and non-print formats which engage the population and provide educational opportunities. B&ECPL continued to staff and develop the library collection for these locations. This aid assisted B&ECPL to offer access to information for the individuals housed in Erie County's penal-connected facilities. In 2014, B&ECPL staff conducted training in the use of the new Westlaw databases for the correctional facility staff as well as the inmates of the facilities.

**State Correctional Aid**

**THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE FOR SYSTEMS WITH STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES ONLY**

STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AID

**Statutory Reference:** Education Law § 285 (1) Commissioners Regulations 90.14  
The amount provided in Education Law is \$9.25 per inmate.

13.6.1-13.6.2 **Professional Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all system professional employees.

13.6	Total Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	0.2
13.6	Total Expenditure for Professional Salaries	\$9,742

13.6.3-13.6.4 **Other Staff Salaries:** Indicate total FTE and salaries for all other system employees.

13.6	Total Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	0.37
13.6	Total	\$10,991

.4 Expenditure  
for Other Staff  
Salaries

13.6 **Employee**

.5 **Benefits:**

Indicate the  
total  
expenditures \$10,658  
for all system  
employee  
benefits.

13.6 **Purchased**

.6 **Services:**

Does the  
system expend  
funds for Y  
purchased  
services? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No.

**Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.**

If yes, complete one record for each applicable category; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2 and 3 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category Institutional membership dues

2. Provider of Services Western NY Library Resource Center

3. Expenditure \$250

1. Expenditure Category Institutional membership dues

2. Provider of Services New York Library Assoc

3. Expenditure \$165

13.6 **Total**

.7 **Expenditure -  
Purchased  
Services** \$415

13.6 **Supplies and** Y

- .8 **Materials:**  
Did the system  
expend funds  
for supply  
items, postage,  
library  
materials, or  
equipment and  
furnishings  
with a unit  
cost less than  
\$5,000? Enter  
Y for Yes, N  
for No.

Note: For questions which include a choice of "Other" in a drop-down menu, please add a State Note of explanation when "Other" is chosen. Also please see individual instructions for these questions for any further requirements.

If yes, complete one record for each type of item purchased; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Expenditure Category Books and other print materials
2. Expenditure \$24,969

13.6 **Total**  
.9 **Expenditure -** \$24,969  
**Supplies and**  
**Materials**

- 13.6 **Travel**  
.10 **Expenditures:**  
Did the system  
expend funds Y  
for travel?  
Enter Y for  
Yes, N for No.

If yes, complete one record for each type of item purchased; if no, enter N/A for questions 1 and 2 of one repeating group.

1. Type of Travel Other
2. Expenditure \$348

13.6 **Total**  
.11 **Expenditure -** \$348  
**Travel**

13.6 **Equipment**  
 .12 **and**  
**Furnishings:**  
 Did the system  
 expend funds  
 for equipment  
 and  
 furnishings  
 with a unit N  
 cost of \$5,000  
 or more and  
 having a  
 useful life of  
 more than one  
 year. Enter Y  
 for Yes, N for  
 No.

If yes, complete one record for each type of item purchased; if no, enter N/A for questions 1, 2, 3, and 4 of one repeating group.

1. Type of item N/A
2. Quantity N/A
3. Unit Cost N/A
4. Expenditure N/A

13.6 **Total**  
 .13 **Expenditure -**  
**Equipment** \$0  
**and**  
**Furnishings**

13.6 **Total**  
 .14 **Expenditure**  
 (total 13.6.2,  
 13.6.4, 13.6.5, \$57,123  
 13.6.7, 13.6.9,  
 13.6.11, and  
 13.6.13)

13.6 **Cash Balance**  
 .15 **at the**  
**Opening of**  
**the Fiscal** \$146,340  
**Year:**  
 NOTE: The  
 opening  
 balance must

be the same as the closing balance of the previous year.

13.6 **Total**  
.16 **Allocation from 2014-2015 State Aid:** \$38,760

13.6 **Cash Balance**  
.17 **at the End of the Fiscal Year:** \$127,977

13.6 **Final**  
.18 **Narrative:**  
Provide a brief narrative, no more than five hundred (500) words, describing the major activities carried out with these State Aid Funds

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library (B&ECPL) continues to provide library service to New York State Correctional facility inmates. During 2014, the Collins, Gowanda, and Wende State Correctional Facilities contracted with the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library for a variety of public libraries services and programs including: interlibrary loan and delivery, reference and consultant services, membership in the Western New York Library Resources Council, and the purchase and delivery of new books and other materials.

#### 14. Summary of Library System Accomplishments

Using the goals from Section 4 in the approved 2012-2016 System Plan of Service, **BRIEFLY** describe the final results of each element for Year 3 (2014)

14.1 Element 1: Resource Sharing - Results  
Element 1: Resource Sharing - Results 2014 & 2014  
Resource Sharing - Results  
circulation totaled 7,397,296 a 6.2% decrease from 2013; & Door counts showed a 6.8% decrease with 3,345,904 visitors reported; & e-Book downloads increased 17.1% to 383,730; & Total downloads increased 16.3% to 541,171; & The B&ECPL continued to provide download content through OverDrive, EBL (e-Book Library), Project Gutenberg, Freegal and Moving Image Archive; & Established weeding schedules for the Central Library and city branches were maintained; & The Collection Development Team conducted surveys and 13 onsite library visits; & Online Patron and Staff Suggestion Forms were utilized; & 238,452 items were added to the collection, including 104,769 cataloged books; & 26,621 new titles were added to the collection; & 141,389 individual items were ordered System-wide (92,805 print and 48,584 media); & Adult print fiction circulation



decreased 12.7% to 925,442; Adult media circulation decreased 8.5% to 2,329,147; The total expenditure for library materials was \$3,025,268.84 (\$2,934,418.85 operating budget) (\$90,849.99 grants and private funds); 5,824 e-Books were purchased at a cost of \$171,696.58; Over 6,500 total download titles were added to the collection; Adult non-fiction circulation decreased by 16.7% to 427,841; 4,502 adult programs were conducted for 34,077 attendees; 1,096 public technology classes were conducted for 3,680 attendees; Over 175,000 attendees participated in almost 11,000 programs System-wide; 491,704 clicks were recorded for the adult local and NOVEL databases, an 11.1% decrease; Young adult print fiction circulation decreased by 18% to 107,632; Young adult audio book circulation decreased by 7.6% to 4,934; The number of programs for teens more than doubled with 1,451 conducted for 10,004 teens (163.8% increase in number of programs and 68.1% increase in number of teens); 477 teens registered for the Library's Summer Reading Program, a decrease of 45.4%; 40 Summer Reading Programs were attended by 3,763 teens, an overall 8.3% decrease; Circulation of juvenile fiction decreased by 7.4% to 915,219; Circulation of juvenile media decreased by 12.1% to 362,917; 8,019 children registered for the In-Library Summer Reading Program, a 42.1% decrease; Total children's Summer Reading Program attendance increased almost 7% to 42,119; 4,086 Children's Programs were presented System-wide for 84,647 attendees, a 3.4% decrease in attendance; 945 Intergenerational Programs were conducted for 49,971 participants, an 8.3% increase in attendance; Circulation of juvenile non-fiction decreased by 12.7% to 158,997; 3,141 clicks were recorded for the children's databases, a 10.4% decrease; Circulation of juvenile print fiction decreased by 7.6% to 735,540; 2,016 young children programs were presented System-wide for 43,379 attendees, a 3.4% increase in attendance; 2,422 Early Literacy sessions were conducted for a total audience of 55,359 attendees, an attendance increase of .2%; SirsiDynix production and test servers were maintained with no unscheduled downtime; ILS and Related Services RFP was issued with responses due January 13, 2015; 34 libraries were using 85 RFID self check-out stations; 29 libraries were using RFID auto-generated "Hold" self-service slips; All branch servers were replaced, running Windows server 2008; 300+ public workstations were replaced or upgraded to new machines running the Windows 7 operating system; 21 public-use laptops were replaced in several libraries; 28 replacement public color printers were installed; 6 public-use laptops were added at 2 libraries; New scanners were purchased and installed at 2 contract libraries; A replacement projector was purchased for 1 city branch library; DVD Recorder/VCR Combos were purchased for the Central Library and 1 branch library; Chrome Books, Green Screen, 3-D Printer, laptops,

Kindle Fire HDX, Samsung Tablet, Camera-Recorder and an AV Rover were purchased for use in the Central Library TechKnowLab and MakerSpace; Nook HD, Nexus 7, Kindle Fire HD, Laptop and SONY 69.5" TV were purchased for programming at a contract library; 2 scanners were purchased for digitization and program support at the Central Library; VMware Horizon was added to public workstations for Buffalo Public School remote desktop access, allowing students to access their homework and other school resources from any library; The Central Library TechKnowLab Team conducted 348 public classes System-wide for 2,442 attendees and received an overall rating of 4.72 (out of 5); The Central Library TechKnowLab Team conducted 449 One-on-One Book a Technology Appointment sessions System-wide and received an overall rating of 4.88 (out of 5); The Central Library's TechKnowLab YouTube Channel <http://bit.ly/WglZO4> offering a variety of informational videos had 19,596 views, an increase of 9% over 2013; 38 wireless access points were replaced System-wide; 9 additional wireless access points were installed; Internet bandwidth was monitored and evaluated at all libraries with upgrades scheduled for 2015; EnvisionWare and ltp:one software were upgraded at 2 pilot sites for testing and evaluation; All B&ECPL libraries offered free Wi-Fi service (the number of sessions reached 219,239, a 33.8% increase over 2013); The number of in-house public computer use sessions reached 819,788 (a 6.3% decrease from 2013); The number of aggregate hits on the Library's main web site [www.buffalolib.org](http://www.buffalolib.org) and catalogs totaled 6,666,957 (a 12.3% increase over 2013); The Library's ADA compliant website [www.buffalolib.org](http://www.buffalolib.org) was maintained and updated on a regular basis; The Intranet Staff Forums elicited active participation and were monitored on a regular basis; An online submission form was implemented for "Library Snap Shots!" highlighting activities at all libraries; Staff Space was implemented on the Intranet to highlight individual interests and accomplishments; Staff members were allowed remote Intranet access to update unified calendars; Manager Director Meetings and Staff Forums were audio recorded and archived on the Intranet; System Organizational Competencies were reviewed and updated on a regular basis; Additional features, including enhanced patron account options, were implemented in the VuFind catalog, powered by open-source software and fully ADA-compliant; A back file processing project and ongoing authority control services with Marcive, Inc. were implemented; Additional enhancements were made to the Library's mobile website and online catalog interface [m.buffalolib.org](http://m.buffalolib.org); 34 libraries were 'live' with web page editing permissions (1 additional in training) maximizing responsiveness in community libraries; Circulation, Public Access Computer Use, Library Visits and Open Hours were posted monthly on the public website <http://bit.ly/1dNaagA>; The Central Library social

networking sites included Facebook (5,473 fans), Twitter (6,879 followers), Pinterest (971 followers), Tumblr (52 followers) and flickr (163,516 views in 2014); • The Central Library TechKnowLab YouTube Channel had 19,596 views in 2014; • The Central Library established a presence on the photo sharing site Instagram <http://instagram.com/buffalolibrary> in November 2014; • 10 new documentary videos and 11 instructional videos were created by the Central Library TechKnowLab staff; • All out-of-date staff workstations were upgraded to the Windows 7 operating system or replaced with new PCs; • The B&ECPL System IT staff provided maintenance and support for over 450 staff computers in 37 libraries; • A replacement printer was purchased for the Library Director's Office; • An open-source online data entry form (libstats) was piloted to record questions for Central Library public service and e-Branch staff; • SirsiDynix Director Station software was used to create reports for operational assessments; • MobileCirc software (a SirsiDynix circulation, inventory, and shelving solution for smart phones, tablets, and laptops) was purchased; • 14 One-on-One Book a Technology Trainer appointments for the staff were conducted at the Central Library; • 13 staff technology classes were conducted at the Central Library with 57 attendees and staff comments included "Great class, learned a lot of info & feel more confident instructing patrons on how to download"; • 1 staff survey was conducted in August 2014 to assess technology training needs; • Websense security was maintained on all computers, insuring CIPA compliance; • Up-to-date virus scanning software was maintained on all computers; • Branch switch upgrade replacements were made and switches were added at 15 libraries; • The Internet Technology Security Policy was reviewed and updated/replaced with the B&ECPL Information Security Policy Manual; • B&ECPL System IT staff maintained over 450 staff computers System-wide; • Shipping routes were regularly assessed and adjusted ensuring efficient and timely delivery; • All priority items were shipped within a 24 hour timeframe; • The B&ECPL's Shipping Department transported 92,837 delivery boxes among the 37 libraries; • Article delivery turnaround time continued to improve due to increased electronic transmission between loaning libraries using Odyssey software; • A reciprocal borrowing agreement program resulted in an increase in ILL fill rate and a decrease in turnaround time; • The PDF document format was promoted for quicker delivery via email to patrons and borrowing libraries, resulting in less paper and improved turnaround time; • The B&ECPL sent (filled) 1,759 ILL requests to other libraries; • The B&ECPL received (for B&ECPL patrons) 5,105 ILL requests from other libraries; • Public Survey #1 (online) - 74% said yes Library's website is informative and easy to use (596 responses); • Public Survey #2 (all ages) - 93% were very satisfied with the process to request items (673 responses); • Public Survey #3 (teens) - 93% found something good to read, view or

listen to (149 responses); " Public Survey #3 (teens) - 94% said they found something of interest in the library (146 responses); " Public Survey #4 (adults) - 96% found what they were looking for (787 responses); " Public Survey #4 (adults) - 80% rated the collection excellent or very good (648 responses); " Public Survey #4 (adults) - 80% rated the Library's services for young children as excellent or very good, and another 18.5% rated them as good (476 responses);" " Public Survey #5 (adults) - 94.5% rated Family Programs as great or very good (618 responses); ""

- 14.2 Element 2: "Element 2 - Special Client Groups - Results 2014 " The Special Client consolidated list of External Partners (currently 485)for the B&ECPL Groups - System was maintained and an annual update was conducted; " The Results B&ECPL continued to collaborate with in-house partners Literacy New York Buffalo-Niagara, Inc. and Young Audiences of Western New York; " The B&ECPL continued to support in-house partner Project Flight and the Book Bank; " Other active partnerships ACCES / West RAEN (Regional Adult Education Network), the Erie County Department of Social Services, Buffalo Adult Education and the WNED /WBFO Educational Services Advisory Board; " The B&ECPL now holds a seat on the WBFO Educational Services Advisory Board; " The B&ECPL continued its partnerships with the Buffalo Public Schools in an effort to get library card applications to all students and promote library services and programming; " The B&ECPL continued to reach out to new employment training partners and increased its programming efforts using resources afforded through a NYS Workforce Development grant; " The B&ECPL, partnering with the Buffalo Board of Education Adult Learning Division, began presenting workshops at outside library locations; " Adult, teen and children's programs were conducted by the System Programming Teams at B&ECPL libraries throughout the year; " The Children's Programming Team coordinated the System-wide Battle of the Books program, the National Jumpstart Program "Read for the Record" and the New York State Summer Reading program; " The B&ECPL participated in 37 Summer Reading Program collaborations; " The Children's Programming Team promoted the Lap Sit Programs at community preschools and agencies, as well as at local Parent Literacy events; " The Children's Programming Team presented 11 weeks of summer programming at Canalside Buffalo; " The Children's Programming Team participated in several collaborative events including Mayor Byron Brown's Summer Reading Challenge kickoff; " The Children's Programming Team participated in programs with several partners including Town Square Media, Explore & More Children's Museum, the Holland Speedway and the Buffalo Zoo; " The B&ECPL developed partnerships with Arts Partners for Learning in an effort to connect teachers with community resources to support the NYS Common Core curriculum; " The Children's Programming Team promoted early literacy programming at community libraries; " The Programming

Teams coordinated online Summer and Winter reading Challenges; The Adult Programming Team coordinated the "Comic-Fest" event at the Central Library and supported "Comic-Fest" programs which were expanded to community libraries in 2014; The Adult Programming Team continued to review services for the disabled and updated equipment and facilities for this target population; Central Library staff established relationships with local partners aligning with the B&ECPL System mission to serve persons with disabilities; The Central Library hosted "Disability Awareness" Month activities and 2 Diversity Job Fairs; Central Library staff members continued learning new disabilities technologies to be positioned to train staff throughout the B&ECPL System in 2015; The Adult Programming Team, working with the Erie County Office for the Disabled, conducted a survey to better understand the needs of individuals with disabilities and realigned technology equipment access to better fulfill the needs of this population; The Adult Programming Team continued to streamline the procedures for requesting Bi-Folkal Kits and began surveying participating agencies to ensure an appropriate collection; The Adult Programming Team offered subject specific classes for jobseekers and entrepreneurs within the B&ECPL System libraries and at various outside venues with partnering agencies; A NYS Library Workforce Literacy Grant allowed the B&ECPL to expand programming and outreach to jobseekers and facilitated connection with new partners; The Adult Programming Team coordinated 2 all-inclusive Job Fairs; 1,096 total public technology classes were conducted for 3,680 attendees, a 14.6% increase in sessions offered; The Central Library TechKnowLab Team conducted 348 public classes System-wide for 2,442 attendees; 449 One-on-One public Book a Technology Trainer sessions were conducted System-wide with an overall weighted average of 4.88 out of 5 (participant comments included: "I learned so much in 1 hour! Thank you for the fabulous learning experience - free of charge! I love our library!" and "This was a great session. I never downloaded a book before and feel confident I can do it now."); The B&ECPL continued to staff and address collection development needs at the Erie County Correctional Facility Library; The B&ECPL continued to order library materials for 2 county facilities (Erie County Correctional Facility and Erie County Holding Center) and 3 state facilities (Collins, Gowanda, and Wende Correctional Facilities); Working with the Erie County Sheriff's Department to secure funding, both the Erie County Correctional Facility and the Erie County Holding Center expanded the number of computers available to inmates and added Westlaw databases; B&ECPL staff conducted training in the use of the new Westlaw databases for correctional staff and inmates at the Erie County Correctional Facility and the Erie County Holding Center; The B&ECPL provided Interlibrary Loan (ILL) services helping inmates access titles not available in the B&ECPL System; Greater electronic



year of RFID implementation exhibited annual self-check percentages ranging from 30% to 91% (of the 30 eligible libraries, only 2 were under 50% and 25 were 60% or higher); 17 staff technology training classes were conducted System-wide for 64 participants with an overall average of 4.86 out of 5; 34 One-on-One Book a Technology Trainer appointments were conducted System-wide for staff with an overall average of 4.96 out of 5; A full time Librarian II position was created and 2 part time Librarian I positions were eliminated in 2014 to better address technology needs and ensure quality service; Several additional staff members were trained in public web page editing;

- 14.5 Element 5: "Element 5 - Consulting and Development Services - Consulting and Development Services - Results 2014"
- The B&ECPL System facilitated meetings and provided support materials to Library Directors and Managers during 2 sessions presented by Libby Post (Communication Services) on the topic of advocacy with elected officials;
  - The B&ECPL System held a fundraiser benefiting the Central Library;
  - The B&ECPL System raised money to purchase of materials for all libraries through Bucks for Books and Spring It On donation campaigns;
  - The B&ECPL System provided both Adult and Children's Programming Teams to coordinate System programming, literacy and outreach;
  - The B&ECPL System conducted the annual Summer Reading information meeting for all youth services staff;
  - The B&ECPL System provided complete Technical Services functions for all libraries;
  - The B&ECPL System provided and maintained all technology (including the network infrastructure, Internet connectivity, hardware and software);
  - The B&ECPL System provided ongoing RFID implementation and break-fix support;
  - The B&ECPL System supported all circulation policies and procedures including the administration of debt collection services;
  - The B&ECPL System provided a centralized Collection Development Team;
  - The B&ECPL System administered payroll and benefits for all libraries;
  - The B&ECPL System coordinated utility bill payments for all libraries;
  - The B&ECPL System coordinated a centralized human resources initiative;
  - The B&ECPL System provided Director and Officer Insurance and Crime Insurance coverage;
  - The B&ECPL acquired General Liability Insurance coverage for all libraries;
  - The B&ECPL System staff were available for consultation on facility planning, building construction, renovation and technology needs;
  - The B&ECPL System administered the annual NYS Construction Grant program and assisted with match funding;
  - The B&ECPL System generated on demand reports to assist in identifying strengths and weaknesses in collections and "Dusty" reports were generated to assist with weeding;
  - The B&ECPL System spearheaded advocacy efforts at all levels;
  - The B&ECPL System administered summer Read Down Your Fines Program for ages 16 and under;
  - The B&ECPL System provided 45-47 local and 11 NOVEL databases generating a total of 494,845 clicks or click-thrus;
  - 60,993 B&ECPL System contacts

were made with contract libraries and contract library staff; 3 public policies <http://www.buffalolib.org/content/policies> were reviewed by the System Library Board Policy Committee and were amended by Board of Trustees approval: "Policy for the Loan and External Exhibition of Rare and Unique Materials," "Conflict of Interest and Ethics" policy (replaced by 2 separate policies) and the "Free Direct Access Plan;" The "Anti-Harassment Policy" was reviewed by the System Library Board Policy Committee and no changes were recommended to the Board of Trustees; 2 new public policies were reviewed by the System Library Board Policy Committee and were adopted by Board of Trustees approval: "Whistleblower Policy" and "Procurement Policy;" The "Information Technology Security Policy" was replaced with the "Information Technology Security Policy Manual" after review by the System Library Board Policy Committee and adoption by Board of Trustees; A comprehensive Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual was completed, presented to the B&ECPL System Board of Trustees, and approved to be effective 1/1/2015; A new B&ECPL Employee Handbook was completed, presented to the B&ECPL System Board of Trustees, and approved to be effective 1/1/2015; The Personnel Manual and Handbook contained updated information and 2 new policies (#1 Bullying and #2 Computers, Communications and Related Technology); A Manager Director Meeting featured a presentation on the Collection Agency process and procedures which included a document on Fine Procedures & Negotiations; 5 Staff Forums were conducted at the Central Library by B&ECPL Administrators; The B&ECPL ensured that services and initiatives aligned with the Five Year Library System Plan of Service 2012-2016 previously approved by the New York State Education Department - Division of Library Development  
[http://www.buffalolib.org/sites/default/files/pdf/AboutTheLibrary/NYS%20APPROVED%202012\\_2016%20Plan%20of%20Service.pdf](http://www.buffalolib.org/sites/default/files/pdf/AboutTheLibrary/NYS%20APPROVED%202012_2016%20Plan%20of%20Service.pdf) ; The B&ECPL Board-approved System Organizational Competencies were updated on a regular basis; ""

14.6 Element 6:  
 Coordinated  
 Services -  
 Results

Element 6 - Coordinated Services - Results 2014 The B&ECPL System provided 45 databases and 11 NOVEL databases available in-library and/or remotely; The B&ECPL System provided 2 supplemental specialized databases at 4 contract libraries and the Central Library; The cost for all databases was \$488,103.14 with \$427,492.14 expended from the B&ECPL 2014 materials budget; A follow-up to the 2013 database survey was issued in 2014 and the results were used as an analysis tool to assess cost and usage; Collection Development staff merged with the Technical Services Department to maximize efficiency and ensure timely ordering; The B&ECPL System continued to provide broadband wireless public Internet access at all libraries; The B&ECPL System provided and maintained a state-of-the-art ILS (SirsiDynix); The B&ECPL System supported and



expanded RFID implementations; The B&ECPL System continued to administer centralized payroll, benefits administration and centralized human resources; The B&ECPL System continued consolidated supply purchases; The B&ECPL System coordinated utility bill payments for all libraries; Shipping routes were regularly assessed to maintain efficient and timely delivery; The B&ECPL System provided Technology Training Teams; The B&ECPL System continued to provide e-mail reference, telephone reference and AskUs 24/7 online chat services; The B&ECPL System continued to provide an e-Branch hotline for staff telephone reference service; 2014 circulation closed out at 7,397,296 a 6.2% decrease from 2013; In addition to Centralized Selection services, libraries were appropriated funds to supplement local collections; 494,845 database clicks or click-thrus were recorded, an 11% decrease; A follow-up to the 2013 database survey was issued in 2014 and the results were used as an analysis tool when assessing costs and renewals; Quarterly communication e-mails continued to be sent to libraries encouraging the use of the services provided by the Collection Development Team; Online Staff suggestion forms were utilized to improve the collection development process; Integrated Library System (ILS) Reports were generated to assist in identifying strengths and weaknesses in library collections;

- 14.7 Element 7: "Element 7 - Awareness and Advocacy - Results Awareness and 2014 The System-wide comprehensive Marketing Plan was Advocacy - completed and approved by the Library's Board of Trustees in December Results 2014; 131 News Releases were sent to 121 media contacts; 12 articles on available health-related books were submitted to "Refresh," a weekly special section in the Buffalo News; 75 messages with Library-related news were sent to elected officials (100 contacts); The B&ECPL partnered with hundreds of organizations including Read to Succeed, Greater Buffalo Niagara Partnership, Just Buffalo Literary Center, Buffalo Public Schools, Buffalo Museum of Science, Explore & More Children's Museum, Buffalo News, Oishei Foundation, Shea's Performing Arts Center, Theatre of Youth, echo Art Fair, Albright-Knox Art Gallery and WGRZ TV Channel 2; The B&ECPL System produced a "Return on Your Investment" flyer and distributed it in libraries and online; The B&ECPL System staff reviewed 300 e-mail or hardcopy comments from patrons and responded appropriately; 4 meetings were held to train staff about Facebook postings with emphasis on social media strategies; Social networking was used to promote library events, activities and resources as well as survey users (year end: 5,473 Facebook Fans, 6,879 Twitter Followers, 282,379 all-time flickr views and 971 Pinterest followers); A Central Library Instagram account <http://instagram.com/buffalolibrary> was initiated in November;

• The tagline "Love Your Library" was created for Library Awareness Month in April and the tagline "Let Your Voice Be Heard" was created for advocacy during the annual budget process; • 17 separate "mass e-mails" were sent to the public regarding Library updates and special events; • A "Love Your Library" poster contest was held during Library Appreciation Month with 130+ entries; • The B&ECPL set up a display at all "Juts Buffalo - Babel Speaker Series" events, each averaging over 1,000 attendees; • A form letter was created for library supporters to send a message (hard copy or electronic) to their county elected officials urging them to approve the County Executive's 2015 budget proposal (more than 2,113 letters were sent); • 6 System-wide patron surveys plus 3 online surveys were created and compiled in-house: o Survey #1 (adults) questioned the value of the Library and what improvements could be made (450 responses) o Survey #2 (all ages) questioned the Holds system and how satisfied they were with the request process (721 responses) o Surveys #3 (teens) and Survey #4 (adults) questioned whether the library is a welcoming place, whether patrons found all they were looking for and how they would rate the Library's collections of materials (1039 responses) o Survey #5 (adults) rating programming and Library services for young children (626 responses) o Survey #6 (all ages) questioned familiarity with the concept of a MakerSpace (380 responses); • Online Single Question patron surveys: o Is the Library's website is informative and easy to use (596 responses); o Are patrons aware they could download books, videos and music for free from the Library's website (690 responses) o Were patrons aware that libraries offered free computer training (807 responses); • 1 staff survey conducted regarding Staff Forums (39 responses); • Effective April 2014, the B&ECPL Board of Trustees determined that they would no longer pursue Special Legislative District Public Library status for the B&ECPL System; • Stabilized funding continued to be a focus of the Board of Trustee's Planning Committee and a working group "Planning For Our Future" composed of System Board members, Library administration and contract library trustees was created (elected officials were invited and encouraged to attend all meetings); • State and local elected officials were presented monthly B&ECPL Board of Trustee and Committee Meeting minutes and financial reports; • Individual meetings were held with New York State Assembly and Senate representatives (from Erie County), Erie County Legislators, the Erie County Executive, the Deputy County Executive, representatives from the Buffalo Common Council and key local stakeholders; • Library representatives participated in the New York State Library Association Legislative Education Day in Albany, NY in February; • Public surveys and 28 general Focus Groups took place (200 Focus Group attendees and 250 Focus Group online survey responses). Questions discussed were - what does a library represent, what does a library value, what can the library do better, and what would one like to see in the 21st

century library; 2 public and 4 staff technology-centered Focus Groups were conducted by library consultant Rob McGee with 39 participants; The B&ECPL Development & Communications Department planned "An Afternoon with Mark Russell" in May 2014 that grossed \$8,795.75; The Yearend Appeal drive grossed \$76,431.66; The materials budget enhancement campaign "Bucks for Books" grossed \$52,395.15; 22 grants were written and submitted by the Development & Communications department for Summer Reading programs, Dia Programming, Milestones of Science, Financial Literacy, book donations, storytelling and a vehicle donation; Grant submissions approved for funding included Black Caucus American Library Association \$500 for Reading is Grand, City of Buffalo \$500 for Dia @ Your Library, Corinne & Victor Rice Foundation \$25,000 for Milestones of Science, and the Library Foundation of Buffalo & Erie County \$175,000 for Milestones of Science; 214 Summer Reading and Bucks for Books sponsorship letters were sent to 90 businesses with the following approved awards: \$1,500 Rich Products, \$500 National Fuel Gas, \$500 Mader Construction, \$3,500 Buffalo Sabres Foundation and \$1,500 Canalside Buffalo; Grant submissions that were pending included IMLS National Medal for Museum & Library Services, Better Buffalo Fund \$26,875 for Niagara Branch and WNY Ford Dealers Advertising Fund, Inc. for van donation; Grant submissions that were pending for the B&ECPL Milestones of Science exhibit scheduled to open in 2015 included The Baird Foundation \$25,000, the Margaret L. Wendt Foundation \$50,000, Western New York Foundation \$25,000, Lockheed Martin \$10,000 and Macy's District Grant \$10,000; Grants that the Library did not receive included Community Foundation of Greater Buffalo \$20,000, Junior League of Buffalo \$1,000, Gale.com \$2,500; Smart Investing @ Your Library 75,500, Kelly for Kids Foundation \$2,000, Carl & Lily Pforheimer Foundation \$25,000 and Deutsche Bank Americas Foundation \$25,000; The B&ECPL planned and executed a free "Non-Profit Grant Resources @ Your Library" seminar in January; The Development and Advocacy Committee of the Library's Board of Trustees met in June and November to review and address fundraising events and activities; 9 mass e-mails (30,000+ addresses) were sent promoting library-sponsored fundraisers throughout the year; The Library's online website donation pages were updated for ease of use and in 2014 there were a total of 292 online transactions representing \$27,823 (gross) in donations including ticket purchases; The B&ECPL System administered a NYS grant for the Adult Literacy Library Services Program entitled "Workforce Development at New York Libraries through Public Library System" (actual appropriation for 2014-15 was \$7,629); The B&ECPL System administered a NYS grant entitled The Family Literacy Library Services Program with the theme "Summer Reading at New York Libraries through Public Library Systems" (actual

appropriation for 2014-2015 was \$11,868); 28 B&ECPL libraries received NYS Senate Budget Aid totaling \$135,000; The B&ECPL continued to administer the 2012-2014 multi-year IMLS "digitized commons" grant partnering with the Buffalo Broadcasters Association, the University of Buffalo Center for Urban Studies, Cleveland State University's Center to Public History & Digital History and Randforce Associates, LLC (Total award \$319,809) extended thru 2015 with no additional funding; The B&ECPL received a Conservation/Preservation Grant from New York State (\$12,736) for conservation of 8 Rare Maps of Buffalo; An Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority (ESFSA) efficiency grant continued to provide funds to purchase all RFID equipment and supplies, as well as employ staff to convert collections at remaining B&ECPL non-RFID libraries; The B&ECPL remained committed to participation in E-rate (Universal Service) Program which supports the Library's fiber optic wide area network and other telecommunications services and will yield over \$300,000 (60.2%) estimated savings in the current funding cycle with savings to the Library, including commitments in the current funding cycle, totaling \$3.9 million since the program's inception in 1998;

- 14.8 Element 8: Element 8 - Communications Among Member Libraries And/Or Branch Libraries- Results 2014 28 B&ECPL libraries received NYS Senate Budget Aid totaling \$135,000; The B&ECPL continued to administer the 2012-2014 multi-year IMLS "digitized commons" grant partnering with the Buffalo Broadcasters Association, the University of Buffalo Center for Urban Studies, Cleveland State University's Center to Public History & Digital History and Randforce Associates, LLC (Total award \$319,809) extended thru 2015 with no additional funding; The B&ECPL received a Conservation/Preservation Grant from New York State (\$12,736) for conservation of 8 Rare Maps of Buffalo; An Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority (ESFSA) efficiency grant continued to provide funds to purchase all RFID equipment and supplies, as well as employ staff to convert collections at remaining B&ECPL non-RFID libraries; The B&ECPL remained committed to participation in E-rate (Universal Service) Program which supports the Library's fiber optic wide area network and other telecommunications services and will yield over \$300,000 (60.2%) estimated savings in the current funding cycle with savings to the Library, including commitments in the current funding cycle, totaling \$3.9 million since the program's inception in 1998;
- Communication among Member Libraries and/or Branch Libraries - Results
- The Intranet was maintained, monitored and updated to ensure relevancy and ease of use while providing accurate and timely information; The Intranet Staff Forums elicited active participation and were monitored on a regular basis; The "Can't Find It" questions were continually monitored and staff were directed to appropriate Intranet resources; An online submission form was implemented for "Library Snap Shots!" which highlight what's happening at the 37 B&ECPL libraries; Staff Space was implemented to showcase individual interests and accomplishments; The B&ECPL System supply requests were facilitated using an Intranet-based 'cart' ordering system; Staff members were allowed remote Intranet access to update unified calendars, streamlining notifications and facilitating changes to the public website calendar scroll; A comprehensive Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual was completed and made available; A Board-approved Information Technology Security Policy Manual was made available; 10 Manager Director Meetings were held; 5 Staff Forums were conducted at the Central Library by B&ECPL Administrators; The Library Director sent regular messages to all staff members reporting on initiatives, programs and accomplishments; The Development & Communications Department sent 30 e-mail messages pertaining to funding and governance, 75 pertaining to library personnel and management issues, and 43 pertaining to adult or youth services; Administrators regularly updated the staff and the community about the "Library District Initiative" during formal and informal meetings as well

as on the LDI section of the Intranet and public website; 43 Media Releases were posted on the website; 52 "This Week @ Central" weekly event calendars were emailed to staff, Library trustees, elected officials and the community; The Trustee website was updated regularly to provide and exchange information; 3 Manager Meeting presentations addressed both internal and external patron surveys; 3 meetings were held with Buffalo branch managers to address the new Facility Use Policy; 1 staff survey was conducted in January asking managers and directors about Staff Forums (39 responses); 60,993 B&ECPL System contacts were made with contract libraries and contract library staff;

- 14.9 Element 9: Cooperative Efforts with Other Library Systems - Results  
 Element 9 - Cooperative Efforts with Other Library Systems - Results 2014 4 The B&ECPL Library Director participated in meetings, programs, and conference calls with PULISDO (Public Library System Directors Organization) and NYALS (New York Association of Library Systems); 4 The B&ECPL is a member of the Western New York Library Resources Council (WNYLRC) and NYLA; 4 The B&ECPL is a member of the New York State Regents Advisory Council on Libraries; 4 The B&ECPL continued participation in WNYLRC cooperative partnering programs including AskUs 24/7 and e-Book Library (EBL) Consortium; 4 The B&ECPL partnered with the University of Buffalo and other libraries in the Empire Shared Collection Project; 4 The B&ECPL Library Director served as a Trustee on the WNYLRC Board; 4 The B&ECPL administrators and staff were active on the following Western New York Library Resources Council (WNYLRC) Committees: Finance, Continuing Education, Committee for Health Information Access, High School to College Continuum Committee, Preservation, Regional Advisory Committee (RAC), Resource Sharing, and Library Assistants; 4 The B&ECPL support staff continued to participate and join WNYLRC's Western New York Library Assistants Committee; 4 21 staff members participated in 12 different WNYLRC-related training programs; 4 A Central Library librarian participated in a health information outreach activity and acts as Chair of WNYLRC's Committee for Health Information Access; 4 B&ECPL Administration and WNYLRC partnered in meetings with the Western New York State Delegation of elected officials on Library Advocacy Day in Albany; 4 The B&ECPL continued to work and communicate with NIOGA Library System & Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System (CCLS);
- 14.1 Element 10: Construction - Results  
 Element 10 - Construction - Results 2014 4 Public Survey #3 (teens) - 96% said the library was a welcoming place (148 responses); 4 Public Survey #4 (adults) - 99% said the library was a welcoming place (821 responses); 4 3 additional libraries were converted for RFID technology bringing the System total to 34, which represents 91.8% implementation; 4 A contract with EnvisionWare, Inc. was finalized to

procure RFID products and secure long-term maintenance; A contract with Bibliotheca Inc. was finalized for a prototype RFID Materials Handling System (AMH) to be installed at the Audubon Library in 2015; 85 self check-out stations were available for public use; The use of auto-generating "hold" self-service slips was expanded and a total of 29 libraries were using this process supported by RFID technology; Analysis of libraries with at least one full year of RFID implementation exhibited annual self-check percentages ranging from 30% to 91% (of the 30 eligible libraries, only 2 were under 50% and 25 were 60% or higher); The B&ECPL evaluated and recommended construction grant applications for projects eligible to share in the available allocation of \$641,863 from NYS Construction Grant funds; The B&ECPL evaluated individual library building and construction needs and submitted recommendations for future Erie County and City of Buffalo capital expenditures; The B&ECPL facilitated renovation projects at the Central Library including the 2nd floor asbestos abatement and space reconstruction project with the public area phase completed in 2014 and the escalator replacement with elevators project in the planning and design phase; Funded New York State Construction Grant projects were awarded to the Main Library at Audubon, Eggertsville-Snyder Branch, City of Tonawanda Public Library, Hamburg Public Library, Kenilworth Branch and Kenmore Public Library; B&ECPL staff and System Board of Trustees reviewed plans for expansions of the West Seneca Public Library and the Amherst Public Library's Main Library at Audubon leading to Board adoption of a resolution in support of both projects;

14.1 Element 11:  
1 Central  
Library -  
Results

http://www.buffalolib.org/sites/default/files/pdf/AboutTheLibrary/NYS%20APPROVED%20Five%20Year%20Plan%20of%20Service%20-%20Central%20Library%202012\_2016.pdf 2014 85 public technology classes with 576 attendees were held at the Central Library; 230 One-on-One Book a Technology Trainer appointments were conducted on a dedicated Book a Librarian-Technology Trainer computer; 13 staff technology classes were conducted at the Central Library for 57 attendees; 14 One-on-One Book a Technology Trainer appointments for the staff were conducted; The Central Library TechKnowLab Team conducted 348 public classes with 2,442 attendees and received an overall rating of 4.72 out of 5; The Central Library TechKnowLab Team conducted 449 One-on-One Book a Technology Appointment sessions and received an overall rating of 4.88 out of 5; A full time Librarian II position was created and 2 part time Librarian I positions were eliminated in the TechKnowLab to provide quality service; Adult, teen and children programs were conducted by System Programming Team members at the Central Library throughout the year; 154 programming partnership events took place with 9,031 attendees, representing an almost 2% increase in attendance over 2013; The Adult Programming Team coordinated the "Comic-Fest" event

at the Central Library; The Children's Programming Team coordinated the System-wide Battle of the Books program and New York State Summer Reading program; The Children's Programming Team promoted early literacy programming at community libraries; The Adult and Children Programming Teams coordinated online summer and winter Reading Challenges; The Central Library hosted a number of continuing annual collaborative events including its Martin Luther King Tribute, Women's History Month Kickoff, "Bullying Stops Here" Month, the kickoff of Hispanic Heritage Month, several National Opera Week programs, a Veterans Day Commemoration and weekly "Imagine Buffalo Series" showcasing WNY's leaders, projects and issues; The Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra continued its 6-event "BPOventions at the Library" series, an outreach and music appreciation lecture series at the Central Library; Items were made available for circulation at all libraries through the Holds System administered through the Central Library; Holds were placed for 578,713 individual items, down 1% from 2013; Outstanding Holds lists were monitored on a regular basis and cardholders who opted for e-mail notification were advised if a request could not be filled; Public Survey #2 asked how often respondents reserved materials and 93% were very satisfied with the process to request items (721 total responses); The B&ECPL's Shipping Department transported 92,837 delivery boxes among the 37 libraries; CLDA and CBA Funds were used to support Central Library programs and services; The B&ECPL 45 databases and 11 NOVEL databases available in-library and or remotely; Specialized databases were made available at the Central Library; The B&ECPL System continued to provide e-mail reference, telephone reference and AskUs 24/7 online chat services from the Central Library; The Central Library housed an e-Branch hotline for staff telephone reference service; Established weeding schedules for the Central Library were maintained to ensure collections meet user needs; Quarterly communication e-mails were sent to libraries encouraging the use of the services provided by the Collection Development Team; Public Survey #4 (adults) - 96% found what they were looking for (787 responses); Central Library visits totaled 416,447 which represents a 5.9% decrease from 2013; Central library in-house circulation decreased 11.5% to 538,720 from 2013; 224,055 in-house public computer sessions were logged, a 4.7% decrease from 2013; 67,484 Wi-Fi logins were recorded, a 28.4% increase over 2013; Several displays and 4 Major Exhibits were housed at the Central Library including "The Wonderful Wizardry of Baum," "You Are Here: Buffalo on the Map" and "An Innocent Abroad? Mark Twain, the Celebrated Traveler, Settles in Buffalo;" The major display in the Ring of Knowledge focused on the pop culture and movie history surrounding The Wizard of Oz; A traveling exhibit "The World Knew: Jan Karski's Mission for Humanity," with 3 related public programs, was

available through collaboration with several local Polish heritage organizations; Central Library Rare Book Room conservation efforts included Vol. I of Audubon's Bird's of America elephant folio, 8 rare Buffalo maps; WWII scrapbook and Buffalo City Directories; Public Survey #3 (teens) - 96% said the library was a welcoming place (148 responses); Public Survey #4 (adults) - 99% said the library was a welcoming place (821 responses); The Central Library again hosted the Echo Art Fair as well as the temporary installation of a large scale Tape Art mural on the building's exterior in cooperation with the Albright-Knox Art Gallery and Erie County; The Library's partnership with Young Audiences of WNY, brought programming variety into the building through a regular performance and workshop series; Young Audience's Emerging Leaders Institute in July and Arts Abilities Conference brought area arts professionals and educators to the Library; For the fifth year, the Central Library hosted 2 partner events presented by local disability service organizations; Literacy New York Buffalo-Niagara, Inc., Project Flight and Young Audiences of Western New York remained as ongoing programming partners and Central Library tenants; The 2nd Floor West area of the Central Library was renovated to include gallery and meeting room space;

14.1 Element 12:

2 Direct Access <http://www.buffalolib.org/content/policies/free-direct-access-plan>  
- Results

14.1 Element 13:

3 Other Goal(s) "Element 13 - Other (Optional) - Topic Central Library as a part of the System Community -Results 2014 Central Library visits totaled 416,447 which represents a 5.9% decrease from 2013; Central library in-house circulation decreased 11.5% to 538,720 from 2013; 224,055 in-house public computer sessions were logged, a 4.7% decrease from 2013; 85 public technology classes with 576 attendees were held at the Central Library; 67,484 Wi-Fi logins were recorded, a 28.4% increase over 2013; Comprehensive Wi-Fi coverage was established in newly renovated 2nd Floor West space and 4 new wireless access points were installed; 154 programming partnership events took place with 9,031 attendees, representing an almost 2% increase in attendance over 2013; 568 sessions were scheduled for external users in conference rooms and meeting spaces, a 15% increase in use over 2013; Surveys #3 to teens and Survey #4 to adults asked whether the library is a welcoming place, whether patrons found all they were looking for and how they would rate the Library's collections of materials (1039 responses); The Central Library hosted a number of continuing annual collaborative events including its Martin Luther King Tribute, Women's History Month Kickoff, "Bullying Stops Here" Month, the kickoff of Hispanic Heritage Month, several National Opera Week programs, a Veterans Day Commemoration and weekly



"Imagine Buffalo Series" showcasing WNY's leaders, projects and issues; "Love Your Library Month" provided a robust menu of all-ages programming including genealogy and financial literacy workshops as well as family activities; The Library hosted a series of local authors in the "Books Homegrown" lectures; Outside partners and the Library collaborated on 4 well-attended Job Fairs; Halloween took on new focus with a concentrated series of free "Haunted Library Tours," a "Spooky Library Party" for kids and families, and a "Haunted Movie Series" featuring a Library-produced video highlighting the Library's paranormal past; Special sponsorship support established the "Judy Summer Concert Series" featuring 6 free lunchtime concerts by local musical groups; The Central Library hosted the Buffalo Public Schools Art Department annual "Celebration of Art" show and reception; Major Exhibits and displays included: "The Wonderful Wizardry of Baum," "Over the Rainbow and Beyond" and "Port of Buffalo: Songs of the Waterways;" The major display in the Ring of Knowledge focused on the pop culture and movie history surrounding The Wizard of Oz; The Library's recently restored first volume of Audubon's Birds of America is showcased specially in the Grosvenor Room with new illustrations shown each week; A traveling exhibit "The World Knew: Jan Karski's Mission for Humanity," with 3 related public programs, was available through collaboration with several local Polish heritage organizations; Central Library Rare Book Room conservation efforts included Vol. I of Audubon's Bird's of America elephant folio, 8 rare Buffalo maps; WWII scrapbook and Buffalo City Directories; Public Survey #3 (teens) - 96% said the library was a welcoming place (148 responses); Public Survey #4 (adults) - 99% said the library was a welcoming place (821 responses); The Central Library again hosted the echo Art Fair as well as the temporary installation of a large scale Tape Art mural on the building's exterior in cooperation with the Albright-Knox Art Gallery and Erie County; The Library's partnership with Young Audiences of WNY, in residence at the downtown Library, brought programming variety into the building through a regular Second Saturday performance and workshop series. Young Audience's Emerging Leaders Institute in July and Arts Abilities Conference in November brought area arts professionals and educators to the Library; The Library's partnership with Young Audiences of WNY, brought programming variety into the building through a regular performance and workshop series; Young Audience's Emerging Leaders Institute in July and Arts Abilities Conference brought area arts professionals and educators to the Library; For the fifth year, the Central Library hosted 2 partner events presented by local disability service organizations, "Spread the Word to End the Word" and the kickoff of "Disability Awareness Month;" Literacy New York Buffalo-Niagara, Inc., Project Flight and Young Audiences of Western New York remained as ongoing tenants; The 2nd Floor West area of

the Central Library was renovated to include gallery and meeting room space; 230 One-on-One Book a Technology Trainer appointments were conducted on a dedicated Book a Librarian Technology Trainer computer in the Central Library; One YouTube video was created highlighting the Central Library <http://bit.ly/1fqfTXW> highlighting the Wonderful Wizardry of Baum: """"""""""

**15. Current system URL's**

- 15.1 System Home Page URL      [www.buffalolib.org](http://www.buffalolib.org)
- 15.2 URL of Current List of Members      <http://www.buffalolib.org/content/library-locations>
- 15.3 URL of Current Governing Bylaws      <http://www.buffalolib.org/content/board-trustees/bylaws>
- 15.4 Evaluation Form      The B&ECPL will conduct surveys, focus groups and public meetings to solicit user (as well as non-user) input regarding their needs and interests in library technologies, programs and services which will then be integrated into the Plan of Service.
- 15.5 Evaluation Results      Input will be solicited from the public, staff, trustees, library partners and library stakeholders. A working group consisting of staff and administrators will be tasked with reviewing all information and drafting the Plan of Service, ensuring that it correlates with System Goals and Objectives as well as Organizational Competencies. The draft will be reviewed by library administration prior to presentation to the Library Board for approval.
- 15.6 Central Library Plan      Library administration will approve recommended draft of the Plan which will then be presented to all trustees for review and comment. The final draft will be presented to the Library Board's Executive Committee and then referred to the full Library Board for formal approval.
- 15.7 Direct Access Plan      N/A

**16. Assurance and Contact Information**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

- 16.1 Contact name (person completing report)      Angela Pierpaoli
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number (enter  
10 digits only  
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key)

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#### **ASSURANCE**

16.4 The Library  
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**APPROVAL** (for New York State Library use only/not a required field)

16.5 The Library  
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#### **Suggested Improvements**

Library System Buffalo and Erie County Public Library

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Please share with us your suggestions for improving the *Annual Report*. Thank You!