ASERL's Collaborative Federal Depository Program: Environmental Scan

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ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN RESEARCH LIBRARIES

2006 ASERL CFDP Est.

2009-2012 IMLS Leadership Grant

South Carolina (US Dept. of Ed 1979-) Kentucky (WPA) Florida (Panama Canal Zone)

2011-2012

Guidelines for Management and Disposition of Federal Depository Library Collections in the Southeast — Implementation Plan

Approved April 2011, updated & reaffirmed April 2012



Comprehensive-as-possible collections of tangible, print publications distributed through the FDLP

Focused collection development

Local needs, interests, and collection strengths



The U.S. Federal Depository Library Program operates under a framework defined by Title 44 of the U.S. Code §§ 1901-1916

1,175 libraries nationwide, including more than 250 libraries in the Southeast

37 Centers of Excellence (COE)
224 SuDoc classifications



Duke University

- Economic Analysis Bureau
- International Trade
 Administration
- Military History Center
- Naval Historical Center
- International Trade
 Commission
- Women's Bureau

East Carolina University

- House Committee on Internal Security
- House Un-American Activities Committee

University of N Carolina – Chapel Hill

Congressional Hearings

University of N Carolina – Charlotte

 Bureau of Industry and Security

University of N Carolina – Greensboro

 Dept. of Agriculture, Food & Nutrition Service

Wake Forest

 The Office of National Drug Control Policy

Inventory Cataloging Gap Analysis / Acquisition Expertise **ACCESS**



Environmental Scan

October 2013-January 2014

Progress
Commitment
Sustainability



37 Centers of Excellence

Two cabinet-level agency COEs

224 SuDoc classifications adopted

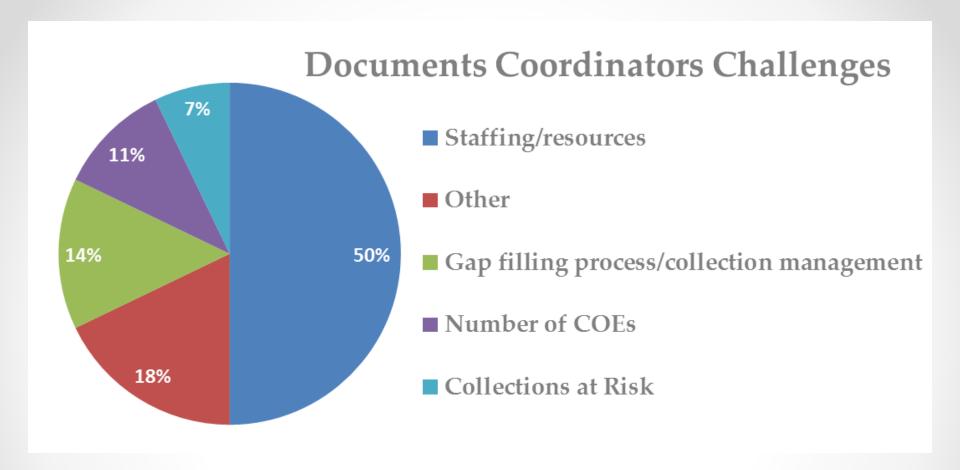
11 agencies adopted by two COEs



Disposition Database

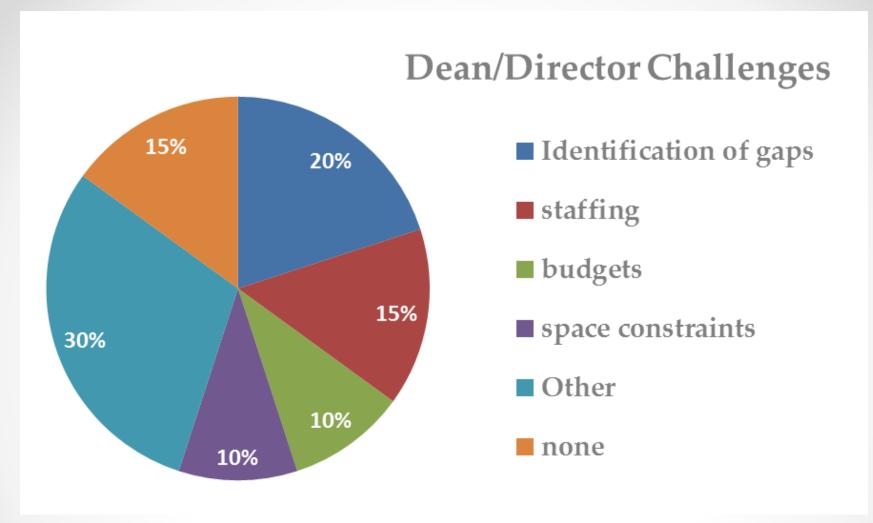
- 227,245 documents posted
- 9,995 documents claimed
- 3537 documents claimed by COEs within scope





Other includes: Size of collection overwhelming, selecting subject COE is difficult to manage, competing institutional priorities, no national inventory, supporting documentation (templates, sample guides, etc.)

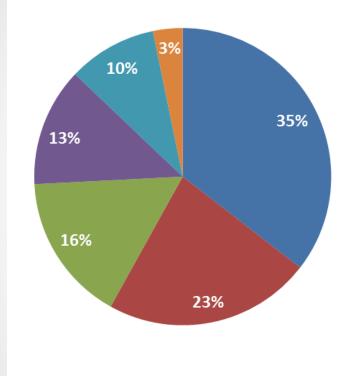




Other includes: The disposition process, lack of leadership from GPO, confusion with Federal policies/practices, institutional priorities, burden of commitment and lack of urgency.



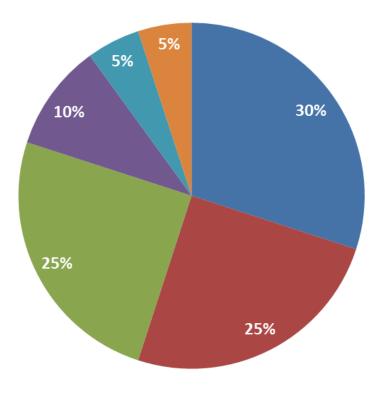
Documents Coordinators Benefits



- Preservation
- **■** Visibility/Prestige of Collection
- **■** Focused Collection Management
- Serving Local Need/Institutional Goals
- **■** Collaborative Initiative
- No Benefit



Dean/Director Benefits



- Focused Energy
- **■** Improved Collection Management
- **■** Collaborative Initiative
- Visibility/Prestige of Collection
- **■** Preservation
- No Benefit



39% Documents Coordinators 45% Dean/Directors indicate the program is either not sustainable or are unsure.

NEED MORE COEs!



- Regional program limits the number of potential COEs
 - Over two-thirds of the COEs indicate they are unable to take on additional agencies.
- Lack of Redundancy
- Lack of Urgency



Keys to Sustainability

ASERL - Collaborative Initiative FDLP content is a **REGIONAL** asset

o 37 of ASERL's 38 members are FDLP libraries

27 COE Libraries are Selective Depositories 6 COEs are non-ASERL member Libraries



Support of Dean/Directors

- FDLP Deans Committee
- University of Florida Disposition
 Database

Over half of Dean/Directors report reallocating resources in support of the program



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