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### Using Recordable Storybooks with Incarcerated Parents



The [Indiana State Library](#) through a grant by the [U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) provides [Hallmark Recordable Storybooks](#) to incarcerated parents encouraging them to read to their children.

Incarcerated parents are given the ability to record their own voices on the storybooks that the children can keep with them forever.

Though the parents and children are apart, they can use this technology to keep

### Firefly Award Nominations Being Accepted



The [Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award](#) is an initiative of the [Indiana Center for the Book](#). This state award is chosen by the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Committee made up of professionals in Indiana including teachers, librarians, caregivers, and project coordinators; all of whom are involved in early childhood development. Picture books serve an important role in the first years of the life of a child. The purpose of this award is to encourage parents, caregivers, and very young children

## Indiana Library Jobs



### [Youth Services Manager](#)

Monticello-Union Township Public Library

### [Young Adult Library Assistant \(Part-Time\)](#)

Linton Public Library

### [Public Services Librarian](#)

Shake Library, Vincennes University

### [Collection](#)

### [Development/Circulation](#)

### [Supervisor Back-Up Librarian](#)

Jefferson County Public Library

### [Outreach Services/General Library](#)

### [Services Librarian or Library](#)

### [Assistant \(Part-time\)](#)

East Chicago Public Library

### [Hourly Public Services Associate I, Substitute](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

### [Library Director](#)

Starke County Public Library

### [Children's Librarian](#)

Centerville-Center Township Public Library

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learning together and build upon their relationships in a difficult situation.

For more information about Hallmark Recordable Storybooks visit:

<http://www.hallmark.com/recordable-storybooks/>

## The 2014 ILL Workshop Was a Success



On Monday, November 17, nearly sixty people attended the [Fall Interlibrary Loan Workshop](#). Attendees learned about the many services of the [Indiana State Library](#) including [InfoExpress](#), how to use the [Indiana SHARE](#) (IN-SHARE) interlibrary loan service for smaller libraries, [Evergreen Indiana](#), and the [Book Club](#) catalog. Presenters included D. Michael Hicks, Sarah Damery, Tatiana O'Neill, Suzanne Walker, and Anna Goben. Brent Abercrombie offered a tour of the building during one of the breaks.

During the morning, many of the institutional libraries took advantage of a special InfoExpress pickup at the non-profit day at the [Indianapolis Public Library Book Sale](#). Terry Black, from the ISL and [Project Search](#) intern Kory Williams helped the institutions package nearly three hundred parcels, representing over 1,400 books which were then delivered to their libraries.

to interact together with exceptional picture books.

Indiana Librarians may nominate picture books for the award from October 1 through December 31. Nominations will be accepted from youth librarians who work in Indiana schools or libraries. One librarian may submit multiple nominations.

Submit your nominations via email to Suzanne Walker at [suwalker@library.in.gov](mailto:suwalker@library.in.gov). Include in your email: Title, Author, Illustrator, and Publication Date, as well as the following justification: In 100 words or less, please tell us why this book is special with an emphasis on how it supports at least three of the ECRR® practices.

## IPL Moves Forward with 'Strategic Plan'



Following a 25-2 approved vote by the [Indianapolis-Marion County City-County Council](#), the [Indianapolis Public Library](#) plans to upgrade several locations throughout the city. In May 2014, after 10 months of citizen input and research and assessment, the Indianapolis Public Library Board of Trustees approved the strategic plan to define the library's role and scope of services in the community for the years 2015-2020.

"As we've known for some time, the role of the Library and libraries everywhere is changing, and The Indianapolis Public Library must evolve to remain relevant in the lives of individuals today," said Jackie Nytes, Library CEO. "While our patrons still use the Library for



## Indiana Library News

[Former Ball State trustee donates collection of Civil War artifacts to university's library](#)

Ball State University Library

[Danville library starts new program](#)

Danville Public Library

[50 years of yearbooks online](#)

Hancock County Library

[Hoosier Pioneers: Fall 2014 Wylie House Speakers Series](#)

Indiana University Library

[Indy to add, relocate, upgrade libraries](#)

Indianapolis Public Libraries

[MPL gets grant through local author](#)

Muncie Public Library

[Purdue Receives Neil Armstrong Papers](#)

Purdue University Library

[WPL Director Phil Baugher honored by Indiana Library Federation for lifetime achievement](#)

Westchester Public Library

## Is Your Library Making News?



## Jennings County Library Goes Green

Sustainability has become a hot topic in recent years and [Jennings County Library](#) is a leader in libraries using renewable energy. The library's 33,000 square foot facility has made energy improvements in lighting, HVAC, and insulation, as well as the 746 high-efficiency solar panels that now help the Jennings County Library achieve its net-zero energy goals. It is anticipated that the facility will produce energy greater than or equal to what it consumes.

"It is our objective, as well as others, to become more green," said Mary Hougland, Library Director. "This is about saving money, and planning for the future, but also a community statement. We hope this initiative will catch on and help the entire community."

## Osgood Public Library's New Director

The Wednesday Word would like to congratulate Kim Porter as the new director of [Osgood Public Library](#) in Osgood, Indiana.

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traditional services, they are demanding new ways of accessing information in an ever-changing cultural landscape. This plan allows the Library the flexibility to respond to changing needs and to better integrate itself into the core of our community."

The plan includes a new location in Lawrence Township and a relocation of the Eagle, Brightwood, Glendale, Flanner House Community Center, and Fountain Square branches.

For more information, check out the [Library article in the Indy Star](#) or see the [Indianapolis Public Library press release](#).

## Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

[Every Child Ready to Read 2.0](#)

When: December 4, 2014

Where: South Whitley Community Public Library

[Welcome to Evergreen 2.7](#)

When: December 12, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Welcome to Evergreen 2.7](#)

When: December 15, 2014

Time 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Welcome to Evergreen 2.7](#)

When: December 17, 2014

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Train the ECRR 2.0 Trainer](#)

When: January 8, 2014

Where: Johnson County Public Library

[Every Child Ready to Read 2.0](#)

When: January 15, 2015

Where: Tippecanoe County Public Library

[Every Child Ready to Read 2.0](#)

When: February 12, 2015



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## Have You Completed the Digital Inclusion Survey?

All public library directors are invited to complete the national [2014 Digital Inclusion Survey](#). This survey includes questions on public access technology, digital literacy and training, and library programs.

Data collected through this survey will be incorporated into [interactive tools and maps](#) pairing information related to digital library services with demographic data, helping libraries better understand their community needs. The survey results will also be used to inform policy- and decision-makers about the essential contributions of libraries in the areas of digital literacy, economic and workforce development, civic engagement, broadband, and public access to the Internet.

The survey deadline has been extended to **December 12th**. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact IPAC at [ipac@umd.edu](mailto:ipac@umd.edu) or (301)405-9445.

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Where: Brownsburg Public Library

[Teaching Books Webinar](#): Literacy Connections Across the Curriculum

When: February 17, 2015

Where: Webinar

[Teaching Books Webinar](#): Literacy Connections Across the Curriculum

When: February 18, 2015

Where: Webinar

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