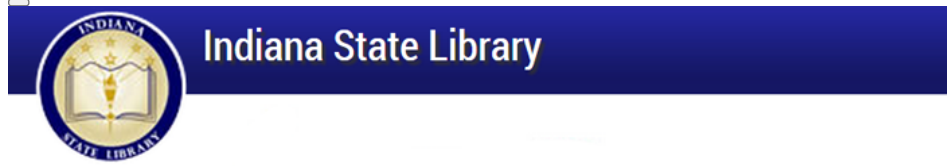


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Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

- [Associate Director of Public Services](#)
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East Chicago Public Library
- [Public Services Librarian - Juvenile Focus](#)
Indianapolis Public Library
- [Director](#)
Sullivan County Public Library
- [Adult Outreach Public Services Librarian](#)
Westfield Washington Public Library

Ways for libraries to partner with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources



The Indiana Department of Natural Resources would like to share four ways that Indiana libraries can partner with the agency.

Library staff may request copies of the 2024 Indiana Recreation Guide. The colorful recreation guide provides patrons with information about state parks, state forests, fish and wildlife areas, nature preserves and off-road state recreation areas. Each page displays activities available at each location, such as boating, fishing, camping, golf, swimming and more. The guide is free of charge. To receive a carton of 100 guides, send a request via [email](#) with a contact name and the name and address of the library. Include the number of requested cartons. No P.O. boxes. The 2025 Indiana Recreation Guide will be released in February of next year.

Indiana State Parks partners with libraries for the Adventure Backpack Program. Libraries can purchase up to five laminated letter passes which will travel with each backpack and will be shown at a property entrance gate along with the backpack. Participating libraries supply the backpack and its contents. The letter pass and backpack is returned to the library. Each letter pass is \$50 and is good for one calendar year beginning on Jan. 1.

A new One-Day Pass is a card that can be given as a prize for reading programs or used as giveaways in contests or at events. The card allows

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[New Escape Room Kits from ISL! - In-person Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Central Time
Where: Crown Point Community Library

[New Escape Room Kits from ISL! - In-person Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 23, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Jennings County Public Library

[New Escape Room Kits from ISL! - In-person Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 25, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Anderson Public Library

[Genealogy and Local History Fair](#)

When: Oct. 26, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Where: Indiana State Library

[What's Up Wednesday - Video Game Collections in Libraries. Part 1: The 'Why,' 'What' and 'How' of Selection and Acquisition](#)

When: Oct. 30, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Nov. 1, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Where: Greensburg-Decatur County Public Library

[Indiana State Library Lunch and Learn Series: Early Census Questionnaires 1790 to 1860](#)

When: Nov. 7, 12-1 p.m.
Where: Indiana State Library

[Youth Services Leaders Virtual Roundtable](#)

When: Nov. 7, 2-3 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday - Engaging Your Library in Dementia Friendly Initiatives](#)

When: Nov. 13, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Graduate and E-Resources Librarian](#)

Zondervan at Library Taylor University

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

In the news[Walk-in legal clinic set for Bartholomew County](#)

Bartholomew County Public Library

[Bedford Public Library unveils new logo of endless possibilities](#)

Bedford Public Library

[Give a hoot — attend 'Owls of Indiana' program at CDPL](#)

Crawfordsville District Public Library

[Boomhower to discuss new book at Eckhart Public Library](#)

Eckhart Public Library

[Indiana State Library to host Genealogy fair](#)

Indiana State Library

[Recent DVDs to rent for a fun movie night](#)

Milford Public Library

[Friends of the Library celebration](#)

North Webster Community Public Library

[Learn about Indiana's bats at Oakland City Public Library](#)

Oakland City-Columbia Township Public Library

[Lincoln program Thursday at Odon library](#)

Odon Winkelpack Public Library

[Toddlers shake, shimmy and dance at the Perry County Library](#)

Perry County Public Library

[The Shoals Public Library is asking the community for help](#)

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[Vernon Township Public Library director reaching career goals in new position](#)

Vernon Township Public Library

[Willard Public Library hosting two spooky events on Oct. 19](#)

Willard Public Library

recipients to visit the state park of their choice any day of the year. Similar to the annual pass, the One-Day Pass allows the cardholder and all persons accompanying the cardholder in a single private, family-type non-commercial vehicle to any property administered by the Indiana DNR for one day only, where entrances are designated and fees are charged. It is not valid for entrance to state historic sites or Falls of the Ohio Interpretive Center. The cost is \$7 per pass with a minimum purchase of 10 passes.

As nonprofit organizations, libraries may request a donation in the form of a buy one, get one free Annual Entrance Pass. Both the purchased and donated passes must be entered in an event to raise funds, or as prizes for reading programs. The cost is \$50 with each pass good for one calendar year beginning on Jan. 1.

Those interested in the Adventure Backpack Program letter passes, the One-Day Pass or the Annual Entrance Pass should email [Julie Plank](#), program director with the Indiana DNR, and include their contact information and the number of passes they would like to purchase. Purchasers will be contacted by phone for credit card information and emailed an itemized receipt immediately after credit card has been accepted and the order is completed. Passes are placed in the mail within 24 hours of purchase.

Please note that libraries are not permitted to purchase state park passes for circulation. Indiana State Parks shall not replace lost or stolen passes and will not refund or exchange passes. 2025 passes will be available for purchase in November of 2024.

Celebrate Family History Month with the Allen County Public Library



To celebrate Family History Month, the Allen County Public Library is offering a plethora of programs from now until the end of October. The following programs are free and will take place virtually. Click on the links to read more about the programs and to register:

- Oct. 16: "[Wednesdays With Witcher: Tips for Doing Reasonably Exhaustive Research.](#)"
- Oct. 17: "[The Power of Voice and the Joy of Interviewing.](#)"
- Oct. 22: "[The Salem Witchcraft Trials of 1692: History and Sources.](#)"
- Oct. 23: "[Wednesdays With Witcher: Organizing Your Research to Pass it On.](#)"
- Oct. 24: "[U.S. World War Draft Registrations.](#)"
- Oct. 29: "[The Lincoln Family](#)

[Public Libraries and the Science of Reading](#)

Reading

When: Nov. 14, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Institutional Workshop](#)

When: Nov. 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Nov. 15, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: West Lafayette Public Library

[2024 Annual Report and Bookkeeping Workshop - In-Person](#)

When: Nov. 21, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Indiana State Library

[2024 Annual Report and Bookkeeping Workshop - Virtual](#)

When: Nov. 21, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Webmaster Roundtable](#)

When: Nov. 26, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday: What's Cooking in the Library?](#)

When: Nov. 27, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

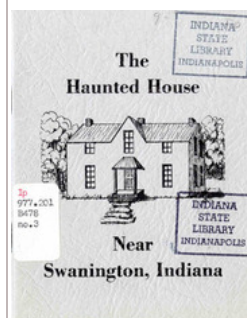
[Color Our World: Summer Reading 2025 In-person Workshop](#)

When: Dec. 3, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Where: Jeffersonville Township Public Library



Welcome to Digital Collection Highlights. Every other week, librarians at the Indiana State Library share images from the library's ever-growing digital collections. Visit the [Digital Collections](#) page to view the latest additions.

Creepy Hoosier folklore

Most Indiana communities boast of at least one haunted house. The lore surrounding these buildings is often passed down from generation to generation, usually with some embellishments to adapt the story to appeal to the particular social fears of the time.

Is your library making news?

[Email](#) news links for inclusion in the Wednesday Word's "In the news" section.

To be featured in the Wednesday Word, please [email](#) a press release and a photo.



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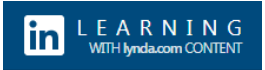
Follow the [Indiana State Library's blog](#) for weekly posts covering all aspects of the State Library.

Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

Miss an issue of the Wednesday Word?

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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



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- Oct. 30: "[Wednesdays With Witcher: Telling the Stories of Our Lives.](#)"
- Oct. 31: "[Who Walked These Streets? How to Build an Online Platform for Historic Neighborhood Research.](#)"

Each program is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff.

North Webster Community Public Library celebrates TeenTober



This month, the North Webster Community Public Library is inviting teens to join the nationwide celebration of TeenTober. TeenTober is a month-long event designed to celebrate teens, promote library services for teens and encourage lifelong learning. Hosted annually by libraries across the country, TeenTober highlights the creative and innovative ways libraries engage with teens to help them discover new interests, learn valuable skills and fuel their passions.

To mark this occasion, the North Webster Library is hosting a variety of fun, interactive events throughout the month including: "Zombie Barbie Making," "Giant Game Day," "Paint a Bookend Craft," "Over the Garden Wall' Watch Party," "Spooky Trivia Night" and more.

The events are free and open to all students in grades 6-12. For more information - including event dates, times and details - visit the library's [events calendar](#) or call the library at 574-834-7122.

The North Webster Community Public Library is located at 110 E. North St. in North Webster.

In honor of Halloween, this booklet from the Indiana State Library's digital collection chronicles the strange occurrences surrounding a house in Benton County. The [pamphlet](#) contains the story and legend of the "The Haunted House near Swanington," as told by the older settlers of the area.

Milford Public Library participating in Socktober



The Milford Public Library is once again participating in Socktober during the month of October.

Patrons are encouraged to bring new pairs of socks - any size - for babies, children, men and women to the library. The library will collect the donations all month. At the end of October, donations will be divided between the Milford School, Milford Food Pantry and Milford Food Bank. Socks are the least donated item to shelters. Everyone needs socks, especially during Indiana winters. Last year, the Milford Public Library collected 323 pairs of socks during the Socktober event.

Started by Brad Montague in 2011, Socktober is an annual fall clothing drive. Its mission is to help the unhoused population obtain socks, their most requested - but least donated - item.

Donations will be accepted through October. The Milford Public Library is located at 101 N. Main St. in Milford.

A directory of shelters serving the needs of local communities can be found [here](#). Libraries interested in joining the effort can click [here](#) to read about getting started and to download promotional flyers.

Click [here](#) to read more.

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