

## White Pine Library Cooperative Services (WPLC)

### **Administrative**

- Coordinate OCLC ILL for libraries
- Group discount coordination and negotiation with vendors
- Seek and manage grant opportunities for WPLC
- Manage all contracts
- Provide State Aid compiled statistics for each member

### **Advocacy**

- Attend Office Hours hosted by legislators in the WPLC district
- Share legislative and advocacy news and initiatives with members
- Share library-related news and concerns with legislators via mail, email, and phone
- Support ALA's National Library Legislative Day and MLA's Advocacy Day
- Serve on MLA's Board of Directors

### **Bibliographic**

- Provide OCLC bibliographic records for members
- Coordinate access to original cataloging for members

### **Communication/Networking**

- Automatic email is sent to members when updated content is added to the WPLC website
- Bi-monthly Advisory Council meetings and Board meetings
- Social media posts
- Weekly Update to members about items of interest from LOM, MLA, ALA, MIRS, and other library-related news items
- WPLC listserv where members network and share programming ideas
- Zoom meeting discussions as requested/needed

### **Delivery - RIDES**

- Provide 3 days of delivery for members at a cost of over \$130,000.00/year

### **Grants Opportunities for Members**

- Annual grants to each member for technology, continuing education, etc.
- Annual reimbursable grants to each member for membership in professional library associations

### **Purchasing – Library Products**

- Amazon Business Prime
- Group discount for Swank Movie licenses and stipend
- Hoopla stipend
- OCLC WorldCat and ILL subscriptions

### **Purchasing – Patron Products**

- BookPage subscription for all members
- MAP (Michigan Activity Pass) financial support to The Library Network
- OverDrive eMagazines for all members
- OverDrive ordering, curation, and administration of the Fuel Your Mind collection

### **Training/Consulting/Continuing Education**

- Annual and bi-monthly meetings with presenters on timely topics
- Board member training
- Cooperative Board Member Orientation
- Grant writing support
- Help with Director searches and the interview process
- Other continuing education opportunities include technology, customer service, etc.



## White Pine Library Cooperative

Our mission is to coordinate and provide high-quality, cost-effective services that will strengthen member libraries so they may meet changing patron and community needs.

White Pine Library Cooperative serves 48 member libraries and 2 associate member libraries with 377,774 residents encompassing 6,739 square miles. Members include public, school, and academic libraries, and one correctional facility.

Member libraries are located in 13 counties, including Arenac, Clinton, Gladwin, Gratiot, Huron, Iosco, Isabella, Missaukee, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Saginaw, Sanilac, and Tuscola.

Last year, the White Pine Library Cooperative member libraries:

- Received 1,342,573 visits in person and digitally
- Had 3,288,463 items in their physical and digital collections
- Circulated 1,347,364 physical and digital items, nearly 4 checkouts per capita
- Answered 108,654 reference questions
- Offered 6,118 programs for 103,847 attendees
- Purchased \$1.22 million worth of materials, print and digital, for their collections
- Shared 172,603 MeLCat items among all libraries
- Provided internet services in the library and virtually to 729,652 patrons

With Cooperative and statewide negotiated discounts, members saved over \$400,000.00 on purchased materials.

The total value per library belonging to White Pine averaged \$56,989.00/year.

**For each income dollar received, White Pine libraries provided an average of \$13.58 worth of service to their communities.**

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