# 2020

## ANNUAL REPORT



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### executive summary

St. Louis Regional Library Network (SLRLN) is a non-profit member organization that provides opportunities and forums for local libraries and librarians to share resources and knowledge. The Network began in 1978 and includes members from public, academic, school, and special libraries.

In 2020, SLRLN was excited to welcome Chaminade College Preparatory School as a new member.

The SLRLN Council welcomed Cindy Miller (St. Charles City-County Public Library) and Janice Hovis (St. Louis Community College) as new members. Erin Magner (Richmond Heights Memorial Library) was re-elected to serve a second term.

SLRLN hosted three professional development events and workshops with over 255 members and nonmembers in attendance. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, SLRLN pivoted to conducting all events virtually for the first time. This change in format allowed us to expand access to our events, reaching librarians as far as Hawaii, New Jersey and Ontario, Canada!

Additional library events like these can be found at <a href="https://slrln.org/page-18052">https://slrln.org/page-18052</a>.

This year, SLRLN's website was updated so that members can now register for events and access membership profiles directly through the website. Check out our new interface at <a href="https://slrln.org">https://slrln.org</a>.





### CO-OP PURCHASING PROGRAM

Over 20 vendors, including Booksource, Demco, Midwest Library Services, and Rainbow Book Company provide discounts to SLRLN members.

#### **INFO-PASS**

The majority of SLRLN members participate in this resource-sharing program. It allows patrons of a member library to access materials from another participating library. Materials can be used in-library or checked out when permissible.

### programming report

March 4, 2020 - Tech Expo

The 15th Tech Expo was held at Logan University and attended by over 90 people. Presentation topics included Mapping Census Data, Digital Literacy, Missouri Digital Heritage Project, and Open Education Resources.

#### April 24, 2020 - Spring Speaker Series We Stories with Adalaide Lancaster

This year's Spring Speaker Series was unfortunately cancelled due to the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic. SLRLN Council elections moved online and members cast their votes via email ballot.

#### July 17, 2020 - Summer Workshop Canva Infographics Webinar

Karen Young of St. Louis Public Library taught attendees how to create professional presentations in Canva and how to use statistical information to support the decision making process.

### October 7, 2020 - Fall Workshop Develop Your Personal Brand

Dina Schmid of Queen City Etiquette encouraged attendees to present themselves with confidence.

Participants developed a clear vision of their personal brand and gained tips for how etiquette can support vour brand.