

OPLIN Governance

Members of the OPLIN Board of Trustees serve three-year terms. Since OPLIN seeks a representative of public libraries, 11 board members are chosen based on location, library size, and skill set.

OPLIN Staff

OPLIN is lead by **Director Stephen Hedges** and the OPLIN Board of Trustees.

The OPLIN staff, other than Director Hedges, consists of four people:

Karl Jendretzky

Library Technology Project Manager

Laura Solomon

Library Services Manager

Amie McReynolds

Customer Relations & Support

Vince Riley

Network Support

Vince and Amie work together to staff the OPLIN Support Center.

OPLIN receives extensive fiscal and logistical support service from the State Library of Ohio and contracts with the Ohio Office of Information Technology for assistance with network management.



Contact OPLIN

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Support Center Hours:

Monday – Friday: 8AM – 5PM
Weekends & Holidays: Closed

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(888) 966-7546

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Support Center Live Chat:

<http://support.oplin.org>

We're Everywhere!

On Facebook...

<http://www.facebook.com/oplin.org>

...and on Slideshare...

<http://www.slideshare.net/oplin>

...and on Twitter...

<http://www.twitter.com/OPLIN>

...and we have a blog...

<http://www.oplin.org/4cast>

...or two...

<http://www.meanlaura.com>

...and we're on LinkedIn – just search for the OPLIN group.

What is



OHIO PUBLIC LIBRARY INFORMATION NETWORK

OPLIN [oh'-plin] n. Ohio Public Library Information Network; the state agency that provides Internet connectivity and databases to Ohio public libraries.

<http://www.oplin.org>
support@oplin.org

About OPLIN

Our primary mission is to ensure that all Ohio residents have fast, free public Internet access through the independent local public library systems in Ohio, as well as the use of high-quality research databases not freely available on the World Wide Web.

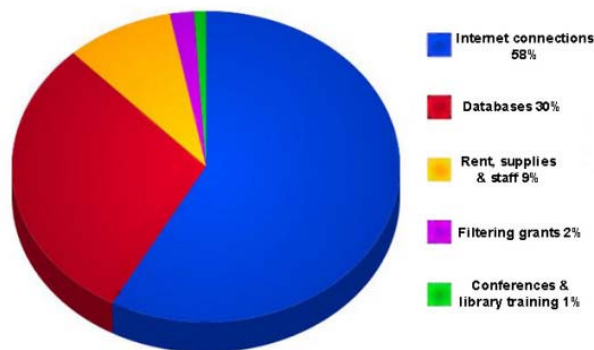
The OPLIN budget

OPLIN receives state funds taken from the Public Library Fund.

In the current state budget (FY 2012-2013), OPLIN receives just under \$3.7M each year.

OPLIN Expenses

OPLIN pays over \$251,000 per month to keep Ohio public libraries online.



90% of our budget goes directly into services to public libraries.

The OPLIN annual reports are available at <http://www.oplin.org/content/annual-reports>

Databases

OPLIN provides access to high-quality research databases of electronic information for Ohio public libraries and for all Ohioans.

The Ohio Web Library is a federated search tool for searching the databases that OPLIN provides.



The OPLIN Support Center provides tech support for all database issues. Additionally, OPLIN provides database authentication and usage statistics. To see your usage statistics for OPLIN-provided databases, please go to <http://www.oplin.org/statistics>

The Public Library Data Center is essential for long-term planning, grant writing, and government reports. We ask library directors to make sure their library information is up-to-date. <http://www.oplin.org/datacenter>

OPLIN Services

E-mail OPLIN offers free e-mail service for Ohio public library staff members. For details, visit: <http://www.oplin.org/content/email>

E-mail Lists OPLIN-hosted lists can be found by going to <http://lists.oplin.org>. Areas of interest include library technology, Ohio government news, and general library discussion. Make sure to sign up for OPLIN Updates to receive our latest news.

Dynamic Website Kits Offered at a modest cost, OPLIN staff can create and host a professional website for your library. More info can be found here: <http://www.oplin.org/webkit>

Websites

The OPLIN website is for library staff members – find more about OPLIN, check newsletters, get contact info, get answers to FAQs, and read OPLIN policies.

<http://www.oplin.org>

about:books

About:books is an OPLIN creation used to search for books by author, title, subject... anything about books. <http://aboutbooks.info>



ExploreOhio is the place to go to learn just about anything about the Buckeye State. <http://www.exploreohio.org>

What Tree Is It? ID trees by leaf, fruit or name. <http://www.oplin.org/tree/index.html>

What's That Snake? <http://www.oplin.org/snake/index.html>
Need to identify a snake? This friendly site will let you explore them from a distance, read about myths & truths, and direct you to further reading.

What's the Point? Step-by-step arrowhead and flint artifact ID guide. <http://www.oplin.org/point/index.html>

Find-A-Library allows you to search for any Ohio public library or library website by name, city, or county.

<http://www.oplin.org/fal> or <http://www.oplin.org/labs/mobilefal> (mobile)