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Upcoming NJSL Events

March 24 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
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Membership Opportunities for BIPOC Library Workers

To show support to Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) workers in libraries, both the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) and the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) are offering membership funding for BIPOC library workers.

[Learn more about the ACRL opportunity here.](#)

[Learn more about the ALSC opportunity here.](#)

IMLS Names Finalists for National Medal for

April 9 @ 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

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Museum and Library Service

The National Medal is the nation's highest honor given to museums and libraries that demonstrate excellence in service to their communities. Please join us in congratulating **Long Branch Free Public Library** for being named a finalist. Long Branch Free Public Library was nominated by Senator Cory Booker with a letter of support from Congressman Frank Pallone. **[Learn more here.](#)**

LCBA Round Two Grant Solicitation

Gov. Murphy has announced the launch of the second round of grant solicitations for the Library Construction Bond Act. **[Read more...](#)**

Grant Opportunity for NJ Public Libraries

NJSL is pleased to announce CARES Act mini-grants for public libraries. These grants are designed to assist in mitigating the effects of the pandemic for both libraries and their patrons. The primary goal of the grants is to improve access to technology for the public library's customers. **[Read more...](#)**

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

The State Library will receive an allotment of \$3,935,345 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services' (IMLS) ARPA budget. We just received the news, and are starting to plan for spending. If you have thoughts, suggestions or ideas on how we can best benefit the state with this influx of resources, please email State Librarian Jen Nelson at **jnelson@njstatelib.org**. **[Read more...](#)**

10th Annual TBBC Golf Classic

Come out and tee up for Talking Books and join us in supporting our FREE public library

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residents each year. [Read more...](#)

NJSL's TBBC Announces New Patron Online Meeting

This meeting will be a chance for patrons to talk to TBBC staff and learn more about our services. We'll talk about how to search for books, how to order and return books, and explain how books get sent out. Everyone is invited, even if they are not a brand-new library member. [Read more...](#)

Grants & Other Opportunities

Talk Story: Sharing Stories, Sharing Culture

Libraries and community organizations that serve Asian Pacific American and/or American Indian/Alaska Native children and their families are eligible to apply for an Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association/American Indian Library Association "Talk Story" grant. The Talk Story: Sharing Stories, Sharing Culture program celebrates and explores Asian Pacific American (APA) and American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) stories through books, oral traditions, and art to provide an interactive, enriching experience. The "Talk Story" grant is aimed to give financial support to libraries and community organizations who want to introduce a Talk Story program, focusing on APA or AIAN cultures. **Deadline: April 1, 2021.**

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2021 AARP Community Challenge

The application period for the 2021 AARP Community Challenge is now open. The AARP Community Challenge provides small grants to fund "quick-action" projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages. Applications are being accepted for projects to improve public spaces, housing, transportation, civic engagement, coronavirus recovery, diversity and inclusion, and more. **Application deadline: April 14, 2021**

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EBSCO Solar Grants

EBSCO Solar is now accepting applications for grants that will fund solar installations at libraries around the world. The grants will help winning libraries to reduce their utilities expenses by installing solar arrays. All academic, school and public libraries that are current EBSCO customers are eligible to apply for the EBSCO Solar grant program. **Applications close May 3, 2021.**

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