COLLABORATIVE FEDERAL DEPOSITORY PROGRAM (CFDP)

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CFDP Overview
ASERL established the Collaborative Federal Depository Program in 2006. Today, 41 libraries in the Southeast region are serving as Centers of Excellence (“COEs”). They work collaboratively to transform poorly documented and incomplete collections into the equivalent of at least one complete cataloged set of print publications and maps distributed as part of the Federal Depository Library Program. In these efforts, COEs agree to inventory and catalog their chosen agency/subject/format collection, actively replace damaged or lost items, fill gaps in their collections, and provide preservation for the collection.

Participating Libraries
Of the 41 COEs, 11 are Regional Depositories and 30 are Selective Depositories. Nine participating libraries are COEs but do not hold membership in ASERL. COE collections currently include six Cabinet-level agencies, one format collection (maps), two subject collections (Panama Canal and Cuba), and over 200 SuDoc classifications.

CFDP Program Review
The CFDP Steering Committee recently completed its review of the “Southeast Region Guidelines for Management and Disposition of Federal Depository Library Collections: The Collaborative Federal Depository Program.” This is the foundational document that governs ASERL’s CFDP program and is reviewed every 3 years – the last review being done in 2018. Minor revisions were proposed, and a comment period was conducted during the month of September 2021; no concerns were raised. The revisions were approved by the ASERL Board on November 10, 2021.

Revisions to the CFDP Regional Guidelines: Summary

Attrition
CFDP libraries may withdraw from the program with two years’ written notice, to allow the library time to make provisions for the disposition or transfer of materials to another library willing to assume responsibility for the collection.
- Northern Kentucky University will withdraw from the program in May 2022.
- Western Kentucky University will withdraw from the program in April 2023.

Each of these COE collections have been adopted or were covered by a second COE, ensuring the collections are sustained.
**ASERL Documents Disposition Database**
The database was created in 2012 by the University of Florida to serve as a valuable resource for ensuring FDLP libraries can fill gaps and build collections throughout the region.

- Since the database was launched, **106,471** items posted by libraries have been claimed by other libraries to fill gaps in their FDLP collections.
- Of these, over **53,923** items have been claimed for Centers of Excellence collections.
- Today, **232** libraries (79% of the 295 eligible libraries in the Southeast) use the ASERL Documents Disposition Database to manage the disposition processes for their FDLP collections.

**Outreach and Communication**
The Depository Library Conference (DLC) was held virtually October 18-20, 2021. Following the conference each year, the CFDP governance committee holds an annual networking get-together for collegial information sharing about depository activities in the Southeast, highlighting important take-aways from DLC programming. This year’s e-meeting will take place in February 2022.

**Governance**
The CFDP is governed by an administrative oversight committee that is responsible for providing long-term advocacy, support and guidance for the program. The ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program (CFDP) Oversight Committee is comprised of library deans/directors and documents coordinators from Regional and Selective Depository Libraries in the Southeast Region, drawn from both ASERL member libraries as well as non-ASERL member libraries. This structure ensures non-ASERL members continue to have an opportunity to influence the guidance that is promulgated that directly affects the management of their depository collections.

Members are appointed by the ASERL Board of Directors, and the committee meets quarterly.

**CFDP Oversight Committee Members**
- Renee Bosman (UNC – Chapel Hill), Chair
- David Durant (East Carolina), Chair-elect
- Cecilia Botero (U-Mississippi)
- Mary Clark (Library of Virginia)
- Sarah Ereksen (U-Florida)
- Amy Laub-Carroll (U-Kentucky)
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