

Through funding partners such as AT&T, PLA will continue our support of digital equity and access. With support from AT&T, PLA has awarded more than \$2 million to hundreds of public libraries to conduct digital literacy workshops and narrow the digital divide in their communities. The PLA 2022 Annual Survey report will help libraries understand the latest nationwide trends in library programs and services, partnerships with other organizations, and the state of library facilities. The 2022 survey is the third in a rotating series of three national surveys exploring public library roles, services, and resources to provide actionable data for decision-making and advocacy.

All that we accomplished this year is due to our dedicated members, leaders, staff, and supporters.



## **Transformation**

## Digital Literacy

Through PLA's partnership with AT&T we have continued to develop new courses and training materials available for free at <a href="DigitalLearn.org">DigitalLearn.org</a>, including the latest course that helps patrons understand how to use and apply for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) benefit. With support from AT&T, PLA has awarded over \$1 million to public libraries to conduct digital literacy workshops through the incentive program launched in 2022. In 2023, <a href="Over \$1 million more will be distributed">Over \$1 million more will be distributed</a> to hundreds of libraries to conduct basic skills training and specific training around the ACP.

The first Digital Literacy Workshop Incentive, supported by AT&T, was a huge success. As one participating library shared, "The partnership was the most effective aspect. We were able to

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these safety issues. Over 2,700 people registered for <u>Spotlight on Safety: Addressing Threats in Public Libraries</u> (presented on November 30, 2022), where panelists discussed safety protocols, the impact of trauma on library workers, and effective policies and prct ices.

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Diversity Report, Knowing/Understanding Your Library Customers, Libraries in a Politically



Furthermore, the PLA Publications Program offers an annual



In April, the PLA membership