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What role should GODORT play with regard to advocacy for government informa...

To ensure that Agencies retain all publications available online only.

GODORT should de! nitely advocate for government informaton" through outreach to the Government Documents librarians community #those of us who donst belong to GODORT% can follow through GO&DO' () and other groups* and A)A" so we can communicate with our fellow librarians" library users+patrons" and local" state" and , ederal government o – cials.

GODORT should advocate for free and od up €d

. rovide information and advocacy points of view to the A)A Washington o- ce" and share the information with other divisions within the Association.

/nOuence A)A to strongly advocate for open and transparent government and free public access to government informaton.

' oordinate advocacy by libraries 1 librarians" provide contact informat on for 2ey decisionma2ers

To inform members of advocacy opportunites and to provide a collect ve voice.

Advocate for continued access to government information by the public

Our round table should weigh in on all federal legislat on that may a3ect G. O or the , D)...

GODORT should lead the A)As e3orts to advocate for the free access to government informaton in support of an informed cit 4 enry. We should be pressing A)A to do more than react to what happens in D' and to develop a proact ve positon for libraries of all types in the disseminaton" use and preservaton of all government informaton.

GODORT should play a central role when advocating for government information. As the section of the A)A dedicated to government information" it is in a 2ey position to organi4e people and resources" disseminate information" and advocate for the continued free access and conservation of government information.

Access to informat on issued by+released by a federal government unit.

Act in a leading role to 2eep government informat on freely available.

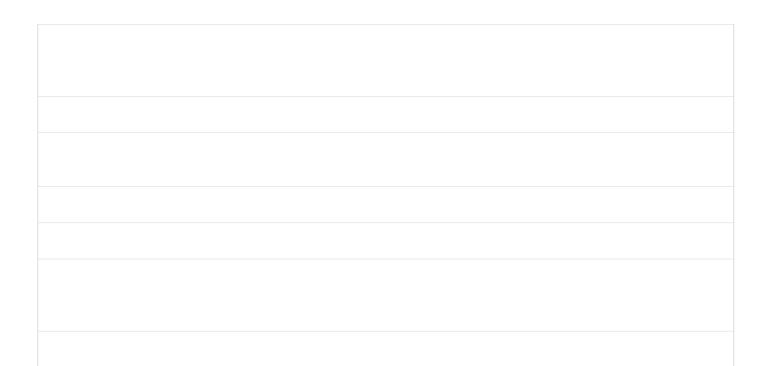
free access. open records laws.

We should actively advocate for open access to and preservation of all unclassiled government information.

already endorsed by A)A ' ouncil to hand out at all 2inds of meetngs., ormer members of GODORT leg commi5ee have wri5en a number of issue papers that could be used.

/\$m not sure.

/ thin2) egislat on is the lead commi5ee for advocacy in GODORT. They are the heart of the organi4at on.



the 'ommi5ee can be ready to act by contact ng 'ongress and responding to , ederal Register proposed regulatons.

7hould be e@amining and comment ng on federal e@ecut ve and legislat ve initat ves" and also as appropriate state" local" and internat onal informat on initat ves.

A lot0 /mportantly" continue pushing the powers that be within A)A to be more proactive in promoting G. O and Archives0

/ believe the)egislatve ' ommi5ee monitors legislaton about government informaton and ma2es recommendatons for acton to Cig A)A ' ommi5ee on)egislaton. ' omparing GODORT recommendatons with those resolutons that manage to be reported out of the ' ommi5ee on)egislaton" / feel there are t mes where things are lost in translaton.

The commi5ee should monitor issues related to access to government information and bring these issues to the a5ent on of A)A when warranted. The commi5ee should recommend positions or act on for A)A members.

/ don\$t 2now speci! cally what the)egislaton ' ommi5ee has been doing but the ' ommi5ee should be doing e@actly what they are charged with doing (ident fy issues reBuiring act on J prepare or advise on resolutons for the membership" 7teering ' ommi5ee" tas2 forces and commi5eesJ assist the A)A Washington O- ce on issues a3ect ng federal government legislatonJ and assist and coordinate legislatve act on with other A)A bodies. Raise awareness of legislatve issues a3ect ng government informaton. /t should cont nue to raise awareness

among members" tas2 forces" etc. /n consultation with members" tas2 forces" commi5ees" it should ta2e a position on legislation that has the potential to restrict access and advocate against any such legislation.

Cac2 when / was act ve in GODORT the)egislaton ' ommi5ee primarily focused on resoluton writng #helping to establish posit on statements on government informaton issues and coordinating e3orts with the A)A ' ommi5ee on)egislaton. / donst hear much about GODORT currently being act ve in these arenas but assume they are as appropriate. / thin2 it is probably more important to have a GODORT member represented on the A)A ' ommi5ee on)egislaton than it is to have its own standing commi5ee.

, or the good of our democracy they need to be e@amining the informaton policies of federal and state governments with a goal of advocatng for informaton transparency.

What

types of advocacy or issues do you thin2 the GODORT)egislaton ' ommit...

Restrict ons on access to government informaton. Government informaton disappearing from websites. restrict ons on informaton and research related act vites of government agencies.

G. O funding" Archives , unding.

The informaton that / mentoned in the previous Bueston.

/nform communites of the role of your wor2 in providing government informaton and documents.

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recent act vites to save the /:)7 and)7TA grants have been very e3ect ve.

Ge6ng individuals to contact Representatives and 7enators is the best way to ma2e a di3erence. #Though / have my doubts that they listen unless there's money behind it.*

Cuilding and sustain relatonships with relevant policyma2ers and their sta3s.

<nending le5ers" emails" fa@es" and phone calls.

Generally" lobbying of state representatives. They have the money.

we can e@amine various professional groups" i.e. scient sts" historians" polit cal scient sts" and environmental groups as e@amples.

8ot sure

: eet ng with legislators and+or their sta3s. Aaving legislators+sta3 tour libraries to be5er understand what we do and why funding needs to be there. Advocacy to cont nue print ng our core documents. : a2ing sure G. O remains commi5ed to preservat on+access. To ma2e the larger A)A community aware of the need and importance of depository libraries and the greater government documents community.

)ots of grassroots calling to elected representatves.

Advocacy(related events li2e Open Access Wee2 with a number of events and actvites under an umbrella A)A social media campaigns" especially using hashtags or /nstagram ((ta2e a picture of+with+related to an issue

writng and calling campaigns to ' ongressional or legislatve leaders

social media campaigns

The use of paid lobbyists is e3ect ve as are campaigns encouraging individual members to contact their elected o- cials.

/ thin2 gathering stories to inOuence decision(ma2ers is always an e3ect ve way to advocate for speci! c issues. / thin2 GODORT could do more to tell stories about barriers to access to government informat on and services to those who struggle with online access. 8ot to go bac2 to paper' but to ma2e sure that agencies thin2 about their customers when they ma2es changes to the way their informat on is accessed and provide training to library sta3 so they can help cit 4ens navigate their services be5er.

The American /ndian) ibrary Associat on advocates for more and be5er funding for tribal libraries and tribal