

Memo

To: Montana State Library Commission

From: Tracy Cook, Statewide Library Resources Director
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Date: April 11, 2018

Re: Montana Shared Catalog New Libraries

Montana State Library staff and Montana Shared Catalog Executive Board members (Jemma Hazen, Rebekah Kamp, Cara Orban, Katy Rende, Kelly Reisig, Anita Scheetz) recommend that the Commission accept the applications of the following libraries for membership in the MSC.

Blackfeet Community College, Medicine Spring Library – one location; automated and opting for data migration. BCC's library administration has demonstrated leadership and vision at the state level through years of service on the State Library Commission, and has also participated in collaborative efforts through the TRAILS academic library consortium. This capability to apply outcomes-driven strategy to large scale cooperative efforts is an asset to the Montana Shared Catalog consortium.

Lewis & Clark Library – five locations; automated and opting for data migration. Lewis & Clark Library is well positioned to become an active leader in the MSC consortium and in statewide resource sharing. As noted in their application: "The Lewis & Clark Library has a long history of being an active part of the library community in Montana, wishes to continue to do so, and wants to expand our collaborative partnerships."

Applicants have requested a total of \$17,698 in Fiscal Year 2018 LSTA monies to cover their startup costs for implementation beginning in Summer 2018 for BCC and in Spring 2019 for Lewis & Clark. The Commission will consider this budget in June.