

Utah State Library Division Grants

"The Institute of Museums and Libraries (IMLS), the federal agency that issues the Grants to States program funding our Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA) grants, published their <u>Congressional Budget Justification</u> for Federal FY2026. IMLS will manage current grants and will not distribute any further funding. As of September 30, 2026 the agency will close. At this time, the Utah State Library Division will maintain our current LSTA federal funding (~\$2.3M) through September 30, 2026. Although changes could occur at the federal level, this information is guiding the division's budgetary decisions for the foreseeable future.

Thank you all for being patient and continuing to focus on the positive work we do for the library community and our patrons.

Please continue to check this page for updates."

The Utah State Library Division (USL) is pleased to provide grants to eligible libraries each year through the Library Services and Technology Act and other funding streams. To determine if your library is eligible, please go here. For any questions about these opportunities or grants generally, please contact Melanie Boyd at mcwainwright@utah.gov. UPDATED 9/2/2025

CURRENT

Children and Teen Book Enhancement Grant - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- 8/11/2025 Grant application opens
- 8/12/2025 Application Webinar
- 9/4/2025 Grant application closes
- 9/15/2025 Applicants notified, Contracts sent
- 10/01/2025 Contracts due, Spending begins
- 3/1/2026 Spending ends
- 4/1/2026 Receipts and final report due, unexpended funds due to USL

Tribal Library Staff Conference Grant - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

Interested staff should contact Melanie Boyd at mcwainwright@utah.gov

- Application Period: July 7- September 6, 2025
- Webinar: Application Support, Monday July 21st registration required
- o Contracts due: Aug. 30, 2025
- Spending Period: August 30 Oct 10, 2025; Early bird registration discount ends July 31st
- Conference Dates: Oct. 7-9, 2025 (arrive Monday, Oct 6, and depart Saturday, Oct 10)
- o Report Due: Nov. 10, 2025

Association of Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL) Conference Grant - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- Application Period: Aug 8 14, 2025
- Application Support Webinar
- Award Announcements: Monday August 18th
- Contracts due: August 20, 2025



- Spending Period: July 01 Sept 20, 2025
- Conference Dates: Sept 17 20 2025
- Reimbursement Requests Due: Sept 10, 2025
- Report Due: September 19, 2025 (there will be a mandatory meeting at the conference for all USL attendees to complete the report together)

UPLIFT Professional Development Grants - State Funds

- o 6/17/2025 Applications open
- o 7/14/2025 Applications close
- o 8/4/2025 Recipients notified, contracts sent
- o 8/18/2025 Contracts due, spending period begins
- o 12/31/2025 Spending ends. Reimbursements and final evaluation due

Borrower Support Grant - INVITE ONLY, MUST APPLY; LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- o 7/1/2025 Grant spending period begins
- o 7/28/2025 Application due in Grants Portal
- o 8/15/25 Contracts and Forms due to USL
- o 6/30/2026 Grant spending ends
- o 7/5/2026 Reimbursements and final reports due

Lender Support Grant - INVITE ONLY, MUST APPLY; LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- o 7/1/2025 Grant spending period begins
- o 7/30/2025 Application due in Grants Portal
- o 8/20/25 Contracts and Forms due to USL
- o 6/30/2026 Grant spending ends
- o 7/5/2026 Reimbursements and final reports due

Library Technology Grant 2025 - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- 4/30/2025 Grant Application Opens
- 5/6/2025 Application training webinar
- o 5/26/2025 Grant Application Closes
- o 6/30/2025 Awards Announcement
- o 7/01/2025 Contract Period Begins
- o 7/14/2025 Signed contracts due
- o 9/8/2025 LSTA Spending Ends
- o 9/8/2025 Contract Period Ends
- o 9/15/2025 Reimbursements due
- 11/17/2025 Final Report Due at 5:00 PM

Standard Competitive Grant 2025 - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- o 5/3/2024 Application opens
- o 5/7/2024 Application training webinar
- 5/22/2024 Pre-review of applications due (optional)
- 5/31/2024 Full app closes
- o 6/7/2024 Eligibility Review
- o 6/10-21/2024 Panel Review



- o 6/25/2024 Panel review meeting
- o 6/26/2024 Submit to State Librarian for approval
- o 7/1/2024 Funded projects announced
- o 7/1/2024 Contracts sent out
- o 7/2/2024 LSTA Admin webinar
- o 7/12/2024 Signed contracts due, LSTA spending begins
- o 10/1/2024 Interim Report 1 Due
- o 3/1/2025 Interim Report 2 Due
- o 6/30/2025 LSTA Spending Ends
- o 7/05/2025 Reimbursements due
- o 8/31/2025 Contract end date; Report Opens
- 10/1/2025 Final Report Due

COMING SOON

Standard Competitive Grant 2026 - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- o 9/8/2025 Application opens
- o 9/9/2025 Application training webinar
- o 9/29/2025 Application closes
- 10/27/2025 Awards announced
- o 10/27/2025 Spending begins
- o TBD Nov 2025 LSTA Admin webinar
- o 11/10/2025 Signed contracts due
- o 11/27/2025 Interim Report 1 Due (per LSTA 30 days after spending period begins)
- o 3/1/2026 Interim Report 2 Due
- o 6/19/2026 LSTA Spending Ends, Reimbursements due
- o 7/30/2026 Final Report Due

UPLIFT Professional & Organizational Development Grants - State Funds

CHECK SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 FOR CONFIRMED DATES

- o 12/16/2025 Applications open
- o 1/14/2026 Applications close
- o 2/5/2026 Recipients notified, contracts sent
- o 2/12/2026 Contracts due, spending period begins
- o 6/30/2026 Spending ends. Reimbursements and final evaluation due

COMPLETED

Borrower Support Grant - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- o 7/1/2024 Grant spending begins
- o 6/30/2025 Grant spending ends
- o 7/5/2025 Reimbursements and final reports due

Lender Support Grant - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

o 7/1/2024 - Grant spending begins



- o 6/30/2025 Grant spending ends
- o 7/5/2025 Reimbursements and final reports due

Community Library Enhancement Fund (CLEF) - State Funds

- o 10/01/2024 Applications open
- o 12/16/2025 Applications close
- o 6/30/2025 Spending ends. Reimbursements and final evaluation due.

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- o 1/14/2025 Applications close
- o 2/5/2025 Recipients notified, contracts sent
- 2/12/2025 Contracts due, spending period begins
- o 6/30/2025 Spending ends. Reimbursements and final evaluation due.

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- o 6/18/2024 Applications open
- o 7/19/2024 Applications close
- o 7/23/2024 Recipients notified, contracts sent
- o 7/30/2024 Contracts due, spending period begins
- o 12/31/2024 Spending ends, reimbursements and final evaluation due

Children and Teen Book Enhancement Grant - LSTA funds provided by IMLS

- o 11/1/2024 Grant opens
- o 11/27/2024 Grant closes
- o 12/13/2024 Applicants Notified, contracts sent
- 1/10/2025 Contracts due, spending begins
- 5/9/2025 Spending ends
- o 5/16/2025 Receipts and final report due, unexpended funds due to USL