Division of Library and Information Services is pleased to announce a competitive Research Stipend Program for qualified researchers, sponsored by the Friends of the State Library and Archives of Florida. The program is intended to support exceptional projects utilizing the collections of the State Archives and State Library of Florida that can only be accessed on-site. Up to two applicants will be selected each year. Spread the word about this opportunity!

Did you know that libraries play an important role in Florida’s elections? Public libraries serve as early voting locations and polling precincts on election day. In addition they serve as voter registration agencies ensuring folks are registered to vote.

The Division of Library and Information Services spearheads the Florida Statewide Digital Initiative, working toward offering digital platform and preservation options for Florida’s libraries, archives and museums. As part of this project, guidance and support on digitization is available in partnership with the Sunshine State Digital Network.

The Division facilitates the statewide resource sharing platform, FLIN SHAREit, a network of libraries across Florida sharing their collections with each other. If your library does not already participate, consider joining.

The Division partners with the Tampa Bay Library Consortium and libraries to provide Florida Library Delivery services using FedEx.

The research room of the State Library and State Archives in Tallahassee is open Monday through Friday. Patrons can access electronic resources 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Some of the services available include:

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- Library Professional Resources
- Florida Memory
- Florida Electronic Library

The Records Management Program establishes rules and guidelines for managing public records, promotes and provides training in good records management practices, and offers economical records storage services at the State Records Center in Tallahassee. The program is also a helpful source of information on disaster recovery.

Records Management training is available in several different formats. The Division holds seminars and webinars as well as on-site presentations and consultations. You can learn more on our website.

For additional information or questions on the above programs or services, please contact Amy L. Johnson at 850.245.6603 or amy.johnson@dos.myflorida.com.