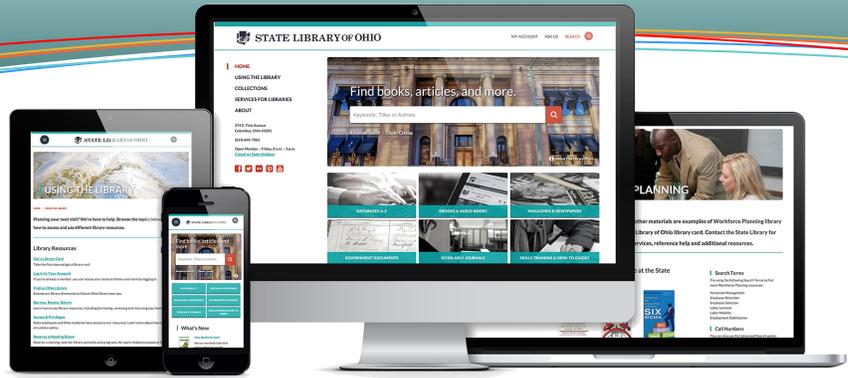
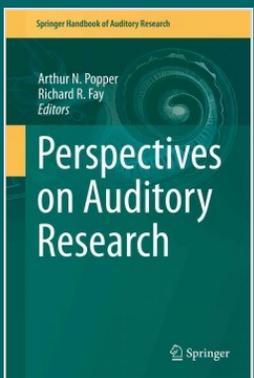
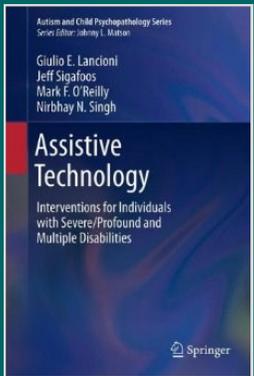


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New Website Launch

The new State Library website features a user-friendly interface, improved site navigation, and enhanced search functionality. It was designed and developed by IdeaBase, a Kent State student powered design firm based in Kent, Ohio.

The redesign provides Ohio residents, state government employees, and libraries across Ohio improved access to library resources and services and is the result of a yearlong collaboration between IdeaBase, Kent State University School of Library & Information Science and the State Library of Ohio.

“Working with IdeaBase was a wonderful experience,” expressed State Librarian Beverly Cain. “The team assigned to our project was responsive, creative, and dedicated to providing a finished product that truly met our needs.”

The project encompassed research with stakeholders and usability testing, design, development and user focused content strategy. The site has a scalable interface that adjusts to any device, allowing State Library users to fully engage the website from their phone, tablet, or computer.

Library Services for the Blind & Physically Disabled

The State Library of Ohio provides access to reading materials to individuals with disabilities through several programs. The State Library, along with the Cleveland Public Library and the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped provide audio, braille and downloadable books to eligible residents. In addition the State Library and the Ohio School for the Deaf partner to provide the Deafness Outreach Collection maintained at the State Library.



Working together, the Cleveland Public Library and the **State Library of Ohio Talking Book Program** send the materials to residents across the state. The State Library coordinates the Ohio program and serves as the machine lending agency for the state. In addition, the State Library collaborates with 61 sub lending agencies, local public libraries or social service organizations throughout Ohio to loan the machines to eligible citizens in their areas. OLBDP serves as the Regional Library for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) of the Library of Congress, and administering this free



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library program of braille and audio materials to eligible borrowers in Ohio by postage free mail. The talking books are circulated by The Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled in Cleveland. Funding is provided by a combination of federal, state and local funds.

The Talking book program is available to any

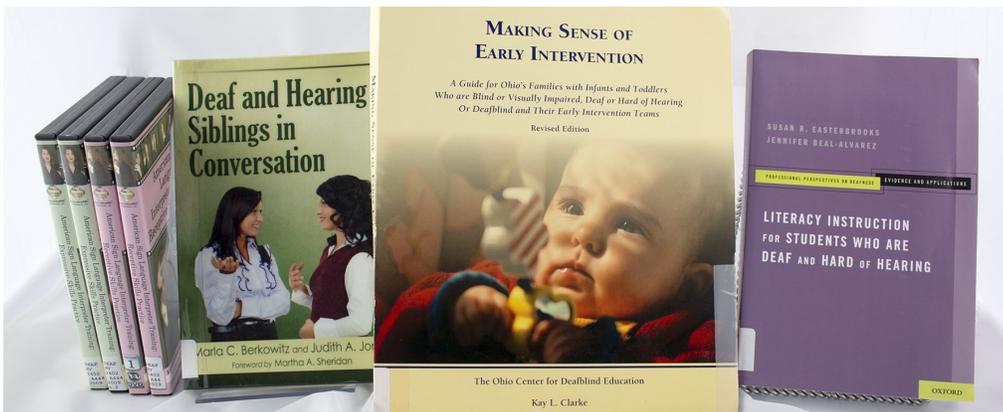
eligible Ohio resident, nursing home, senior center, hospital, adult day care and even schools.

The OLBDP also provides access to Braille and Audio Recording Download (BARD) The National Library Service (NLS) currently allows individual patrons and institutions to download digital books from the OHIO-BARD site.

The Talking Book Program proves equipment and books to over 15,000 eligible blind, visually impaired, physically handicapped, and reading disabled Ohio residents. There are over 3000 veterans participating in the Talking Book program.

To learn more, go to: library.ohio.gov/using-the-library/services-for-the-blind/ and <http://www.loc.gov/nls/>.

Deafness and Outreach Collection



The Center for Outreach Services located at the Ohio School for the Deaf (OSD), and the State Library of Ohio collaborate to bring a collection of Deafness and interpreting-related materials to all Ohioans.

Through this partnership, OSD purchases and provides materials to the State Library. In return, the State Library maintains and provides easy access to this collection through the State Library's online catalog. This collection is targeted toward interpreters, American Sign Language students, parents and professionals working within the deaf community.

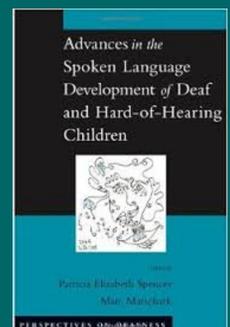
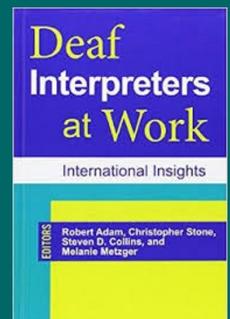
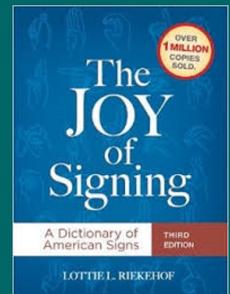
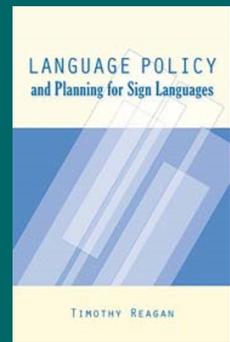
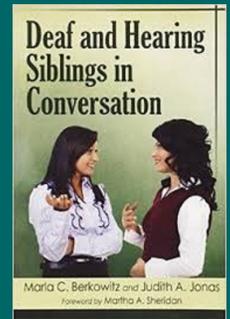
The Center for Outreach Services provides resources of interest to K-12 deaf educators, interpreters and parents in a variety of formats (books, DVDs, CD-ROMs, VHS tapes).

The State Library of Ohio catalogues and maintains circulation of these items for use by individuals across the state.

Any Ohio resident can request a card to borrow items from the State Library of Ohio or borrow items housed at the State Library through interlibrary loan at their local library. Individuals on the mailing list for the Center for Outreach Services are eligible for a State Library card with the special privilege of having items mailed to them at no cost (individuals are responsible for the return shipping on the item).

To learn more go to: www.ohioschoolforthe deaf.org/statelibrary.aspx

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