

11—131.1(8A) Purpose. The state library is charged with developing a long-range plan, known as the State Library of Iowa Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Five-Year Plan, for the continued improvement of library services in the state. The major outcomes of this planning effort include the maintenance of the State of Iowa Libraries Online (SILO) program; professional development and continuing education of Iowa library staff, including a voluntary endorsement program for public library staff; the development of standards for public libraries that includes a voluntary accreditation program; the IA Shares delivery service for public libraries; providing Iowans access to the publications of state government; and digital information resources.

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