PARTNERSHIP FOR SHARED BOOK COLLECTIONS
ROSEMONT SHARED PRINT ALLIANCE

Controlled Digital Lending
BREAKOUT DISCUSSION

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A library must own a legal copy of the physical book, by purchase or gift.

The library must maintain an “owned to loaned” ratio, simultaneously lending no more copies than it legally owns.

The library must use technical measures to ensure that the digital file cannot be copied or redistributed.
The Growth of CDL

- **CDL White Paper** published in 2018
- CDL efforts and engagement accelerated amid COVID
- Wide range of CDL solutions built to meet local needs
- National interest groups began engaging with CDL
  - CDL Implementers Forum
  - CDL Co-op
- Statements by national and international groups
  - CDL Position Statement
  - IFLA Statement on CDL
CDL extends existing resource sharing practices

CDL Co-Op Statement, endorsed by 36 libraries, consortia, and allied organizations to date

- Interlibrary loan (ILL) is a foundational, Congressionally protected library practice.
- CDL is a modern method of lending that replicates a library’s right to loan legally acquired physical materials.
- CDL for ILL builds upon existing infrastructure and best practices for temporarily lending materials.

https://controlleddigitallending.org/illstatement
The Consortial Path Forward

1. CDL is an extension of existing resource sharing practices
2. The commercial technology market is failing libraries’ desire to implement CDL
3. The solution is a consortial approach so as to scale impact and investment

https://blc.org/news/120355
The commercial technology market is failing CDL

Engage with your library and consortia about the value of CDL

Endorse the CDL Co-Op’s CDL for ILL statement

Participate in CDLI, Consortial Approaches to CDL, and other forums

Unify vendor advocacy and contribute to ReShare CDL for ILL development