



PARTNERSHIP FOR SHARED BOOK COLLECTIONS

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The [Partnership for Shared Book Collections](#) is a federation of monograph shared print programs in North America. Our vision is to ensure the long-term preservation of, access to, and integrity of monographic print resources.

We are pleased to announce that a new Program Coordinator has been hired. Please join us in welcoming Nika Worth (Nika@SharedPrint.Org).

We are also very pleased to welcome our latest member, [North/Nord](#), bringing the number of [programs in the Partnership](#) to 18.

In the last three months, since the [January 2023 PAN Report](#), the Partnership has:

- Created a one page document outlining the [accomplishments of the partnership in its first three years](#)
- Revisited the governance documents at this 3 year mark to assure they align with current practices and vice versa
- Arranged a meeting of all working groups and task forces to promote cross group communication
- Continued talks with Rosemont on closer alignment of the two organizations, including a survey of the two operations committees
- Held an open [1 hour joint webinar with Rosemont focused on program updates](#)

Updates from the Partnership Working Groups

The work of the Partnership is completed by four working groups, composed of over forty volunteers from the Shared Print community. Many thanks to those who have contributed their time and expertise to the endeavor.

Best Practices Working Group:

The group is currently working on best practices for Community and Trust Building, and Controlled Digital Lending. Up next are best practices for Determining the Number of Commitments Per Title for Shared Print, and also a Best Practices for Weeding. They are also continuing to build out the Best Practices Assessment tools and review 2+ years or older best practices.

Please send any suggestions for future best practices to info@sharedprint.org.

The Shared Print Metadata Guidelines Task Force, a new subgroup jointly charged by the Partnership and the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance, has scheduled its first meeting. The group's first tasks will be to review current shared print disclosure terminology and shared print metadata guidelines, and hold meetings with the shared print community to discuss the new terminology and process.

Communications and Advocacy (Joint Working Group with the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance):

- Continues to work on creating talking points for onboarding of new library and campus administrators, including this [Campus Administrators talking points/infographic](#)
- Looking for opportunities / conferences to promote the [Toolkit](#) and value proposition in general
- Reengaging with CCH on Shared Print in the Collections Lifecycle messaging.

- The group has been charged with planning the 2023 Joint Member meeting along with Rosemont, which will take place later in the year

Infrastructure Working Group:

Discovery and Access Task Force - The Discovery and Access Task Force met with a newly expanded membership and charted out a plan to deliver a report on shared print retention functionality and/or functionality gaps in Alma/Primo by end of calendar year 2023. Members are currently surveying shared print partnerships to understand how Alma has been used to capture and display print retention commitments in the past, and whether Alma Analytics has been used for data analysis related to shared print.

Matching Algorithms Task Force - Continues to work with a test set of English language monographs, and comparing matching results using the Gold Rush matchkey, the ReCAP model, and an AI model from the California Digital Libraries, along with straight up OCLC number matching. The group has also reached out to Ex Libris and ReShare, both of whom expressed interest in this work early on. Note that Gold Rush has already made several tweaks to their matchkey based on the work so far. The group plans to put together a report that will outline their findings and what this means in terms of what fields/codes/standard numbers work best for matching in various use cases.

Resource Sharing Task Force - The April 6th, 9am Pacific meeting will be with Peter Collins, OCLC Director of Resource Sharing for an overview of their Controlled Digital Lending plans and shared print integration in ILL workflows. Contact Linda@SCELC.org if you would like to be added to the calendar invitation. The February meeting was with Clarivate. They Learned that registering of retention commitments in Alma is done through item level retention statements rather than a 583, although they plan on adding 583 integrations soon. Full Controlled Digital Lending processes will be implemented in August 2023, and will require both Alma Digital and Rapido.

Research & Network Level Working Group:

Cost and Value of Shared Print Task Force - The group is currently working on calculators for Shared Print Program Participating Libraries, which will likely include staffing, space costs and program membership fees.

Resource Sharing Research Task Force - The team drafted the second of two planned surveys, targeted at participating libraries. The survey is anticipated to go out in the first half of 2023.

Risk Task Force - The “Bibliographic Accuracy” paper, which helped determine default numbers to include in the model to determine an optimal number of copies for retention (model paper to be published in C&RL in September 2023), has been submitted for publication. The group will be meeting with Best Practices group at the end of March to discuss the best practices for determining the number of commitments per title.

Toolkit - While this group is mostly in maintenance mode, they have begun drafting a Shared Print 101 for Program Managers.