



**Indiana Library Federation,  
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our shared work in library advocacy**

**ISL Trustee Summit, August 16, 2019**

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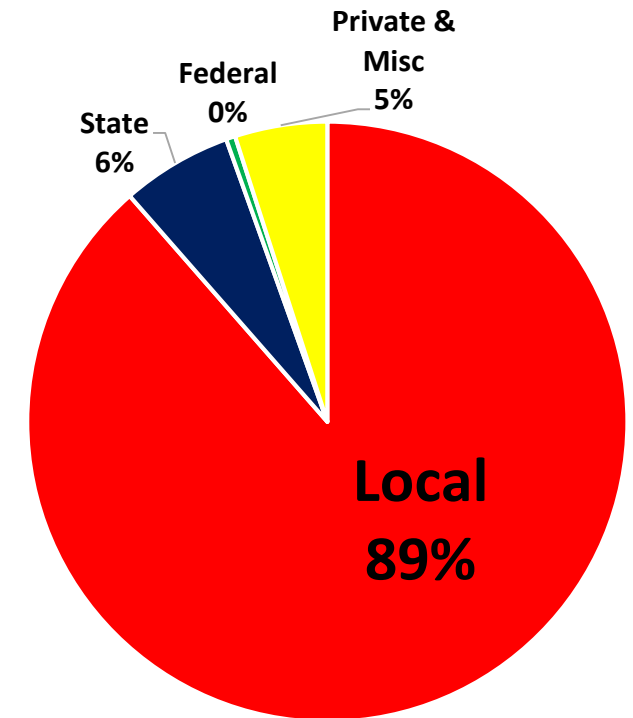
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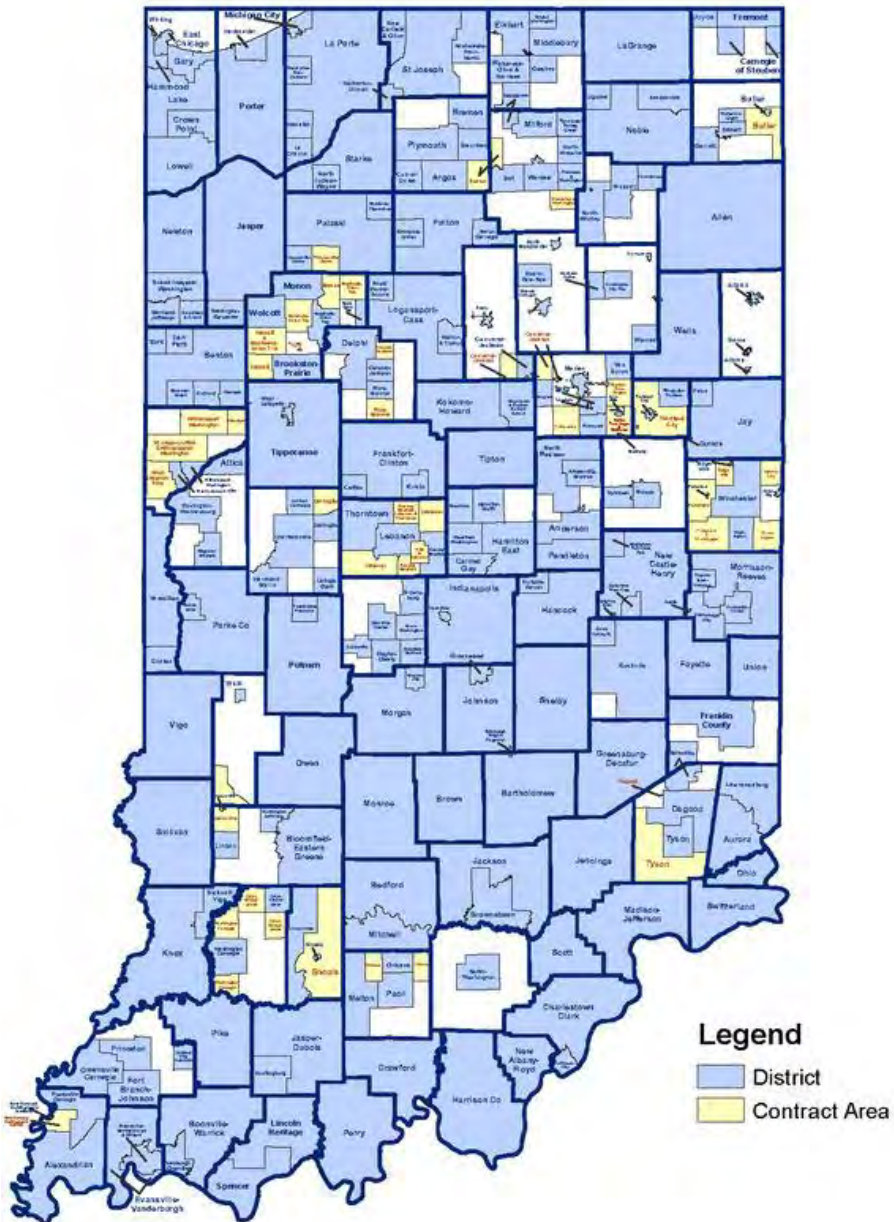
# A focus on Public Library Funding – the basics

- Indiana's **236 public libraries** (with 428 branches)
- Per 2018 ISL report, over \$338,688,110 in operating expenditures.
- **Public Library Funding/Revenue Mix – 89% is local taxes**
  - Local – **Property 69%, Local Income 20%** for 89% of total
  - State – State budget, Build Indiana Funds, pass-through funds, etc. not including resource-sharing 6%
  - Federal – LSTA grants through ISL (not including resource-sharing) <1%
  - Private funds – fees, fines, philanthropic grants 5%



Indiana Public Library Funding

# Library Service Areas 2017



## Indiana's Public Libraries – 236 libraries, 428 branches

- 236 independent library taxing districts
- Library Service
  - 36 counties with “library deserts”
  - 29 counties fully served by multiple library districts
  - 27 county-wide library systems
- 3.5 million Hoosiers have public library cards
- 6,400 employees and 1,640+ trustees

## School Libraries – over 2,300 schools

- 289 public school districts, with 1,150+ elementary, 330+ middle/intermediate and 340+ high schools
- 91 charter schools
- 742 private schools

## Academic Libraries – 127 college campuses

- 127 colleges/universities
- 366,607 students(292,871 FT students) with estimated PT
- Over 15M in collections at 3 largest institutions



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The screenshot displays the Indiana General Assembly website. The main navigation bar includes links for Information, Session, Committees, Legislation, Laws, and Publications. A search bar is located at the top right, with a red arrow pointing to it. Below the navigation bar, there is a large image of the Indiana State Capitol building. To the right of the image, there is a section for "Upcoming Meetings" showing the date Friday, August 16, 2019. Below this, there is a "No meetings scheduled for this day." message. The main content area is divided into several sections: "Notices" with a link to "2019 Indiana Code", "Find Your Legislator" with links for Senate, House of Representatives, and 2018 Special Session, "FAQs", "Archives 2000-2013", and "Publications". A red arrow points to the "Publications" section. Below the main content area, there is a "Site Map" and "Contact Us" section. The bottom of the page shows a Windows taskbar with various application icons.

The second part of the screenshot shows a specific page for "Indiana Code 2019 - Indiana General Assembly" with the URL [iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2019/c/titles/036/#36-12](http://iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2019/c/titles/036/#36-12). The page is titled "ARTICLE 12. LIBRARIES" and contains a list of sections and subsections. A red arrow points to the top of this page. The sections listed are:

- Title 2. General Assembly
- Title 3. Elections
- Title 4. State Offices and Administration
- Title 5. State and Local Administration
- Title 6. Taxation
- Title 7.1. Alcohol and Tobacco
- Title 8. Utilities and Transportation
- Title 9. Motor Vehicles
- Title 10. Public Safety
- Title 11. Corrections
- Title 12. Human Services
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- Title 14. Natural and Cultural Resources
- Title 15. Agriculture and Animals
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The "ARTICLE 12. LIBRARIES" section includes:

- Ch. 1. Definitions and General Provisions
- Ch. 2. Class 1 Public Libraries, Organization and Board Members
- Ch. 3. Powers and Duties of Class 1 Public Libraries
- Ch. 4. Merge of Class 1 Public Libraries
- Ch. 5. Expansion of Class 1 Public Libraries
- Ch. 6. County Contractual Libraries
- Ch. 7. Class 2 Public Libraries
- Ch. 8. Repealed
- Ch. 8.5. Repealed
- Ch. 9. Repealed
- Ch. 10. Repealed
- Ch. 11. Leasing of Library Property
- Ch. 12. Library Certification Board
- Ch. 13. Library Capital Projects Fund
- Ch. 14. Interstate Library Compact
- Ch. 15. Repealed
- Free Public Use of School Libraries

The "IC 36-12-1" section includes:

- 36-12-1-1. Application of definitions
- 36-12-1-2. "Indiana library and historical board"
- 36-12-1-3. "Library board"
- 36-12-1-4. "Library district"
- 36-12-1-5. "Public library"
- 36-12-1-6. "School board"
- 36-12-1-7. "School corporation"
- 36-12-1-8. Policy; services
- 36-12-1-9. Classification of public libraries
- 36-12-1-10. Conversion of Class 2 library to Class 1 library; procedure; appointment of library board; tax levies
- 36-12-1-11. Class 2 libraries; operation under IC 36-12-7; election to adopt other provisions
- 36-12-1-12. Policy for internet or other computer network use
- 36-12-1-13. Forwarding trustees of certain counties paying cost of resident's library card

The "IC 36-12-1-1" section includes:

- Sec. 1. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article.  
*As added by P.L. 1-2005, SEC. 49.*

The "IC 36-12-1-2" section includes:

- Sec. 2. "Indiana library and historical board" refers to the Indiana library and historical board established by IC 4-23-7-2.  
[Pre-2005 Elementary and Secondary Education Recodification Citation: 20-14-1-2.]  
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The "IC 36-12-1-3" section includes:

- Sec. 3. "Library board" means the fiscal and administrative body of a public library.  
[Pre-2005 Elementary and Secondary Education Recodification Citation: 20-14-1-2.]  
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The "IC 36-12-1-4" section includes:

- Sec. 4. "Library district" means the territory within the corporate boundaries of a public library.  
[Pre-2005 Elementary and Secondary Education Recodification Citation: 20-14-1-2.]  
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The "IC 36-12-1-5" section includes:

- Sec. 5. "Public library"

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# Housed Enrolled Act 1343 (2019)

[HEA1343](#) sets out the process for the *body that established the library* to pass a resolution of their intent to have binding authority if certain conditions are met. Public notice and hearing must be held.

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- *Cash on hand* = cash and investment balance in nondebt funds (does not include gifts, bequests, or philanthropic funds)
- *Expected revenues* = total of library’s expected revenues in nondebt funds in the ensuing year

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With your help, ILF will work to  
amend in 2020.**

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*Thank you for playing!*





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# Roles of a Trustee

- Hire and Support Director
- Establish Policy
- Ensure Long-range Planning
- Fiscal Oversight
- Mission Monitoring and Evaluating

- **Ambassador, Advocate, Communicator, Networking**



Lake County Public Library Board members, 2017



# Why is library advocacy important?



Because:

- 1) Libraries are funded with public tax dollars.
- 2) All politics and relationships are local.
- 3) If we don't advocate for libraries, who will?

# Library Advocates March 2019



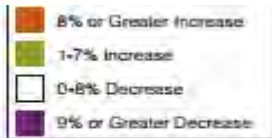
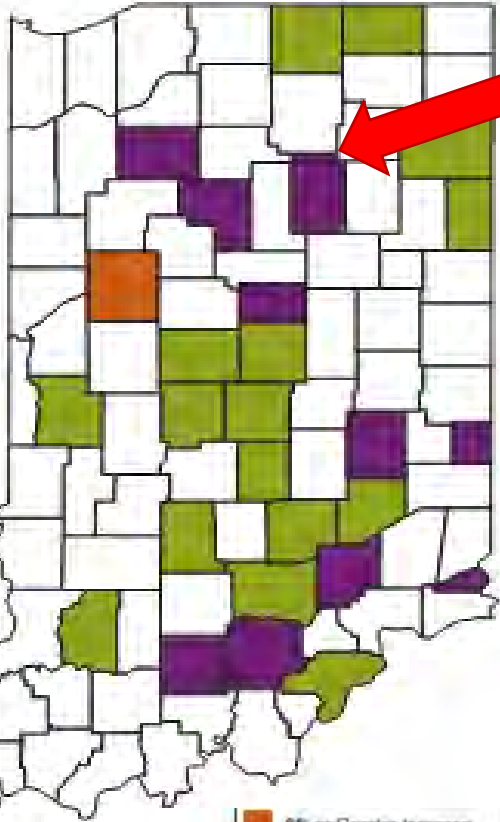
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# Child, Population & Workforce Trends

Percentage Change in Child Population, 2011-2016

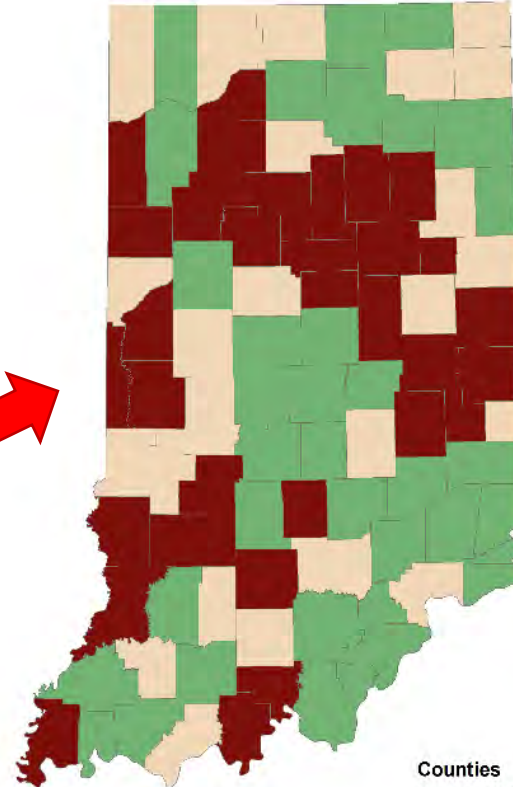
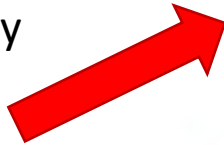


Source: Easy Access to Juvenile Populations.

**Decline in child population** - 75 of Indiana's 92 counties lost child population in the last 5 years. Only **green** or **orange** gained child population.

**Population shifts** - Only **green** are projected to grow through 2040.

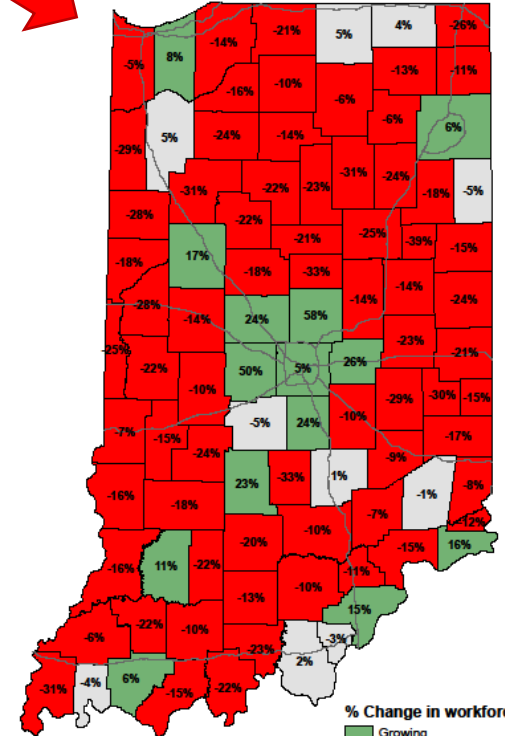
**Workforce decline** - 68 counties losing workers. Only **green** are projected to grow through 2040.



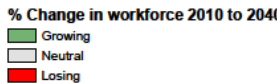
SOURCE: STATS Indiana (2013)



Estimated Changes in Age 25-64 Population 2010-2040



Source: STATS Indiana using data from Indiana Business Research Center



# ILF and Your Statehouse

The “Long Session” January – April, odd years

Biennial budget (HB1001)

July 2019-June 2021, \$38 Billion

The “Short Session” – Jan. – March, even years

Supermajorities in both chambers

House 67 R – 33 D

Senate 40 R – 10 D

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***YOUR RELATIONSHIPS ARE CRITICAL!***

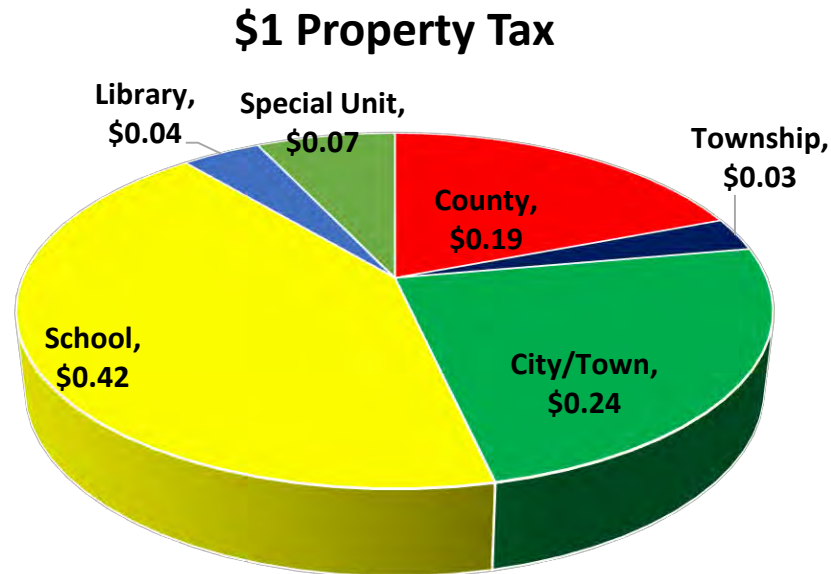
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# Public Library Funding – the external message

Libraries only take 4 cents of the property tax dollar. Statewide average distribution for each property tax dollar is as follows:

- County: \$0.19
- Township: \$0.03
- City/Town: \$0.24
- School: \$0.42
- **Library: \$0.04**
- Special Unit: \$0.07



## KEY MESSAGES from **Libraries Transform Indiana Campaign**

- Libraries transform lives.
- Libraries transform communities.
- Librarians are passionate advocates for lifelong learning.
- **Libraries are a smart investment.**
- **Libraries today are less about what they *have* for people and more about what they *do* for people.**

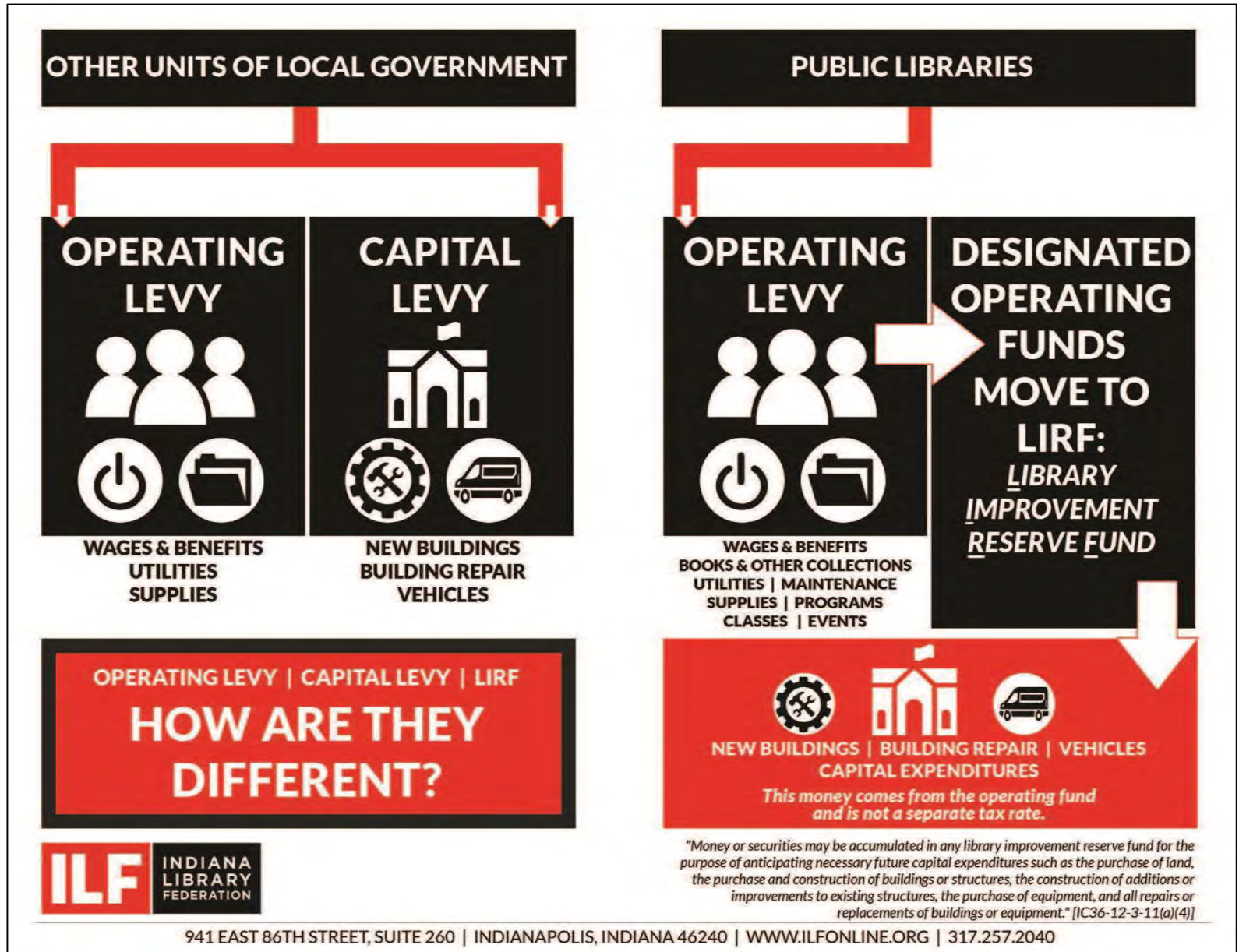
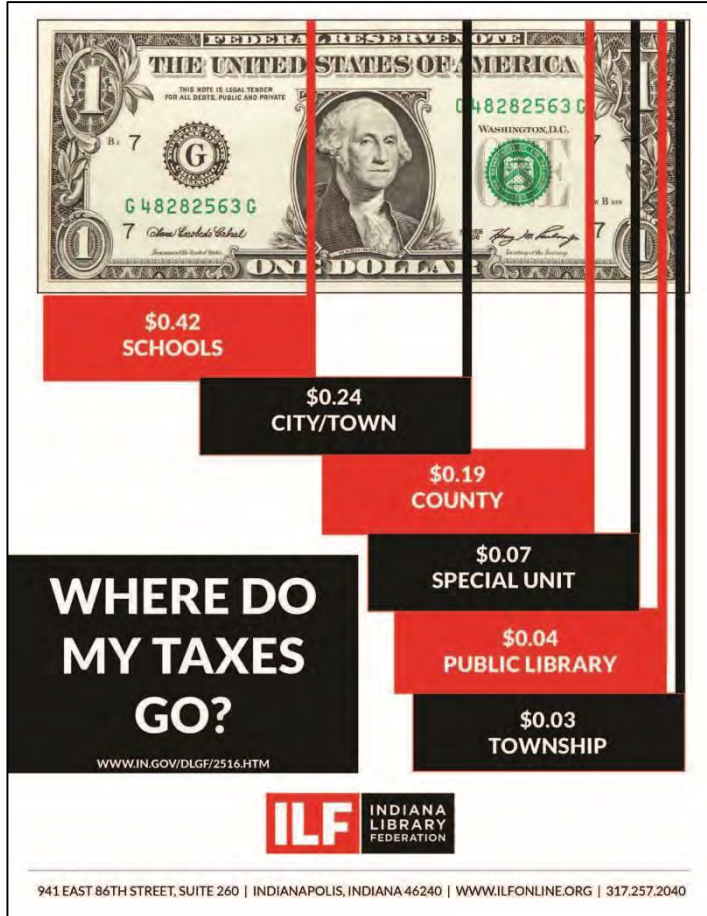
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# Explaining LIRF





# How you can help

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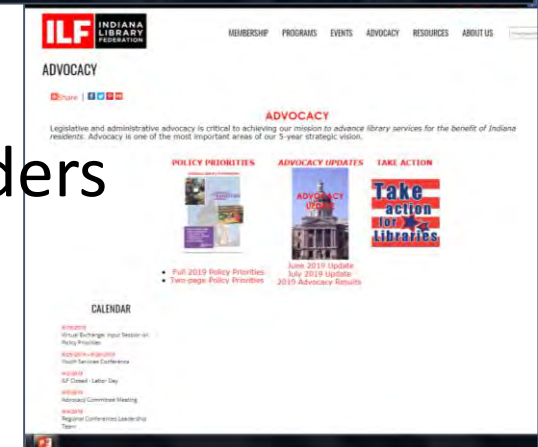
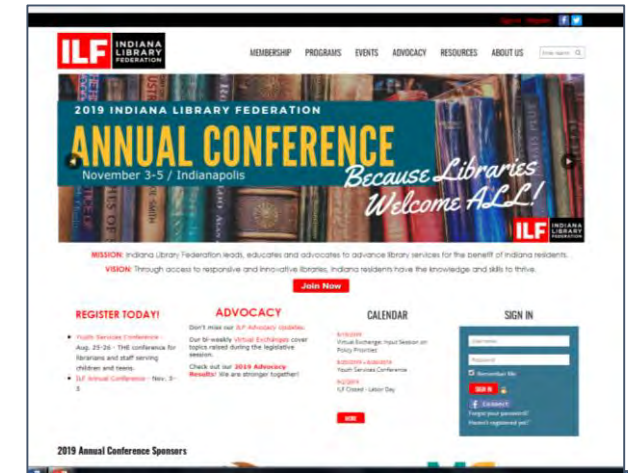
SHOW your library services

Join us and ADVOCATE for libraries



# How ILF can help YOU

- [www.ilfonline.org](http://www.ilfonline.org)
  - information, newsletters, register for conferences and events
  - “members only”
    - *Libraries Transform Indiana* and downloadable materials
    - Virtual Exchanges and recordings
    - Advocacy tools such as bill lists, talking points, Bose Reports, etc.
- Contact us – at the office, the board of directors, other leaders
- Professional networking and informal mentoring
- E-mail communications
  - Email based on your member profile
  - *Advocacy Updates* (issued weekly during session; monthly rest of year)
  - *Focus on Indiana Libraries* – Monthly newsletter



# What is Indiana Library Federation?

- **History dates to 1891**
- **Various associations merged and dissolved**
- **Nonprofit organization** organized under 501(c)3 with Internal Revenue Service and State of Indiana
- **Your state chapter affiliate of American Library Association**
  - Your elected ALA Councilor from ILF
  - Chapter Relations
  - Affiliates of American Association of School Librarians, Association of College and Research Libraries, Public Library Association, United For Libraries



Professional Development and Conferences  
Advocacy  
Member Services  
Book Awards  
Annual Awards and Scholarships  
Special Projects

# Get Involved in Indiana Library Federation

- **Advocacy** –Subscribe to *Advocacy Updates*. Attend Fall Forum (Oct.) and Statehouse Day (Feb./Mar.).
- **Membership** - Join or renew as Personal and Institutional members
  - ALL TRUSTEES of Institutional Public Library members are automatically members
- **Awards** – Nominate a person, library or organization for their library excellence. Nominations accepted Jan.–June; awarded in Nov.
- **Academic Scholarships** – Encourage staff seeking MLS/MLIS to apply by June 30.
- **Virtual Exchanges via online meeting**– Join from your computer or telephone for a short learning session and discussion with peers.
- **Volunteer on an ILF Committee**
- **Attend ILF Events for you / your library staff**
  - Youth Services Conference usually in August
  - Legislative Fall Forum on Oct. 3
  - Annual Conference on Nov. 3-5
  - Regional Conferences usually March-May

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