

**ALA Executive Board  
2014 Spring Meeting**

**TOPIC:** ALA External Relationships

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Discussion

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**BACKGROUND:**

At the ALA Executive Board retreat in January 2014, the Board developed a Strategic Framework, including a list of supporting “short-term” actions. That list included the following: “Map and evaluate ALA’s relationship with national and global information organizations.”

As a starting point for this, ALA’s division, office and business directors were asked to provide information on external relationships – relationships to support advocacy for libraries or for policy positions, to share information, to provide services or programs for ALA members.

A list of almost 200 organizations is attached (Attachment 2). This draft list is the most comprehensive list yet compiled of “relationships” across a diverse, decentralized association. It is likely not yet complete. In many cases, truly understanding the scope of a current relationship – and its potential for future growth – will require individual conversation with the staff member currently nurturing that relationship.

Based on the brief information gathered, a sizeable subset of the organizations listed was roughly sorted by primary focus – advocacy, information policy, professional/leadership development. Further discussion with involved staff might well result in shifts between focus areas. This is, again, a draft document. (Attachment 1)

Examination of the data currently available does, however, suggest some possible issues for discussion and directions for future work:

1. While not every unit of the Association has reported at this point, it is clear that virtually every part of the Association is a hub for a collection of relationships. These relationships have varying degrees of formality and exist for varying purposes.
2. The “relationships” exist for fundamentally different reasons, including the following and more:
  - a. Some are grantors with substantial influence in the field, e.g. IMLS, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
  - b. Some are policy allies, e.g. Committee on Education Funding, EdLINC, Owners’ Rights Initiative, Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC).
  - c. Some relationships are established to provide information to ALA members so that they may, in turn, deploy that information in libraries, e.g. Child Mind Institute, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.
  - d. Clusters of relationships form around issues or topics that are fundamental to the profession, e.g. the long-standing and deep series of relationships formed around maintenance of standards for bibliographic description and metadata, or the widespread and varied array of relationships focused on literacy and reading.
  - e. Many relationships exist for mutual advocacy support, e.g. Alliance for Excellent Education, Carnegie Science Center.
  - f. Some exist to enable ALA to take specific actions, e.g. ALA’s relation with the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).
  - g. Many relationships support professional development for ALA members, e.g. Children’s Book Council, Guadalajara Book Fair.
  - h. Relationships are established to bring specific technical expertise to ALA, e.g. American Institute of Architects, International Interior Design Association.
3. While ALA Affiliates all have the same official “relationship” with the Association, the manner in which the relationship is exercised varies widely. Some ALA Affiliates have a dense, layered interaction with ALA which may include work on cataloging or other standards, collaboration for IFLA and other international activities, collaboration on policy issues, reciprocal conference participation or programming and other activities, while other affiliates exercise that relationship primarily as a means of information sharing among associations.
4. Some reported relationships are, themselves, collections of relationships, e.g. the Free Expression Network (FEN), including the Center for Democracy and Technology (CTD), Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC), AAUP – Academic Freedom Committee, ACLU, Electronic Frontier Foundation, Freedom to Read Foundation, and others.
5. Some relationships represent ties established to enable ALA members to participate in a discipline-related conference, e.g. ACRL’s Liaisons Assembly including such organizations as the American Anthropological Association (AAA) and American Political Science Association (APSA) among a long list.

6. Sponsor and ALA Champion relationships have not yet been included in this list – but represent an important category of relationships.

Based on further discussion with the ALA Executive Board, several “next steps” are proposed:

1. Hold follow-up discussion with various staff around the Association to further understand (a) the current nature of particular relationships, (b) the potential to strengthen that relationships and/or broaden that relationship (e.g. to cover public advocacy and information policy support).
2. Include sponsor and ALA Champion relationships.
3. Within strategic focus areas, pull together and map relationships with a similar focus, on a more granular basis (e.g. relationships focused on literacy and reading, relationships focused on leadership development).
  - a. The ALA Literacy Officer is currently being filled, with a specific charge to coordinate literacy activities and information across the Association and across all aspects of literacy. This would suggest, for instance, pulling together and examining in greater detail our relationships with external organizations focused on various forms of literacy, as well as reading.
  - b. Further discussion by the Board, as well as with staff, will suggest other specific relationship clusters – e.g. relationships potentially supporting school library roles and funding – for priority attention.
4. Look at high-priority relationship clusters, based on the Strategic Framework and Initiatives, as significant assets of the Association, considering relationship management, mutual benefit and gaps that may potentially be filled.
5. Routinely include examination of external relationships across the Association as a key part of ALA’s asset mix in future strategic planning and goal-setting work.

Responsibility for maintaining this file, once established, will shift to the ALA Development Office, since it is likely that donor support software currently used by the Development Office will provide the most hospitable platform for ongoing maintenance. The Member Programs and Services Office will continue to support the ALA Development Office as needed to ensure integration in planning processes.

Attachments:

- 1 ALA External Relationships by Strategic Initiative Area
- 2 ALA External Relationships

Advocacy			Information Policy			Professional/Leadership Development		
AARP	older adult programs in libraries	DEV	American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)	copyright	EXEC	American Alliance of Museums	ALA Center for the Future of Libraries	EXEC
Achieve	role of school librarians in implementation of Common Core State Standards	AASL	American Indian Library Association (AILA)	cultural property	EXEC	American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)		ACRL
ACRL Liaison Assembly	role of academic libraries/librarians	ACRL	American Constitution Society	information freedom	OIF	American Institute of Architects (AIA)	excellence in library architecture; biennial award	OFD; OLOS
Alliance for Excellent Education	innovative teaching practices	AASL	America's Promise	education	DEV	Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA)	diversity, equitable access,	LLAMA
America's Promise Alliance	increased high school graduation rates	DEV	Association of American Publishers	e-books	OITP	Aspen Institute	future of public libraries; digital learning	OFD; OLOS
American Alliance of Museums	IMLS reauthorization	OGR	Association of Research Libraries	copyright, privacy, IF, other	EXEC; ACRL	Association for Library & Information Science Education (ALISE)	LIS statistical data; sharing research	OA; HRDR
American Camp Association	literacy and reading	YALSA	Black Caucus of ALA	equity of access	EXEC; OFD / OLOS	Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL)	continuing education	PLA; OFD / OLOS
American Constitutional Society	first amendment	OIF	Book Industry Study Group (BISG)	standards, statistics	EXEC	Association of Bookmobile & Outreach Services (ABOS)	continuing education	OFD / OLOS; PLA
American Institute of Conservation	Preservation Week	ALCTS	CCIA	copyright, broadband	OITP	Association of Children's Museums	children's programming	ALSC
"Archives" Coalition	preservation, National Archives funding	OGR	Center for Democracy & Technology (CDT)	surveillance, privacy, copyright, broadband	OGR	Association of Specialized & Professional Accreditors	LIS education	OA; OFD / OLOS
ASCD Whole Child	community support for high quality K-12 education	AASL	Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA)	digital learning and leadership	EXEC	Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation	leadership	PLA, PPO, OITP
Association of American Publishers	e-books	OITP	Committee on Education Funding	ESEA, WIA, other federal education funding	OGR	Black Caucus of ALA	diversity, equitable access (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. memorial at MW)	EXEC; OFD / OLOS
Best Buy Children's Foundation	literacy and reading (Teen Read Week)	YALSA	Consortium for School Networking (CoSN)	inform education policy-makers	AASL	Catholic Library Association	continuing education	EXEC
"Big 5" Publishers	e-books	OITP	Digital Due Process (DDP)	privacy	OGR	Center for Technology in Government	public library role in open government ecosystem	PLA
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation	digital literacy, early literacy, community transformation	PLA, PPO	Digital Inclusion Study	public library technology, research	OITP	Children's Book Council (CBC)	programming at MW/AC	ALSC; YALSA
Carnegie Corporation of New York	I Love My Librarian award	PIO	EdLINC	e-rate	OITP	Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA)	diversity, equitable access	EXEC
Carnegie Science Center	Can*TEEN Career Exploration Kits (girls in STEM)	AASL	Education Superhighway	broadband	AASL	Coalition for National Learning (IMLS)	professional development	OFD / OLOS

Center for Technology in Government	public library role, collaboration between local governments/libraries	PLA	Federal Communications Commission (FCC)	telecommunications policy	OITP	Coalition for Networked Information	library role in networked environment	ALA, ACRL, LITA
Child Mind Institute	Speak Up for Kids	PLA	FEDLINK	issues pertaining to federal libraries	OGR	Consumer Financial Protection Bureau	financial literacy	PLA
Council of Higher Education Management Associations (CHEMA)	value of academic libraries	ACRL	FEN (Free Expression Network)	privacy, free expression, civil liberties	OIF, OGR	Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)	LIS education	OA
Digital Book World	e-books	OITP	Forum on Educational Accountability (FEA)	ESEA reauthorization	OGR	Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation	school librarian education	OA; AASL
Digital Literacy Project	advancing digital literacy through libraries	PLA	Freedom Forum	FOIA	OGR	Digital Book World	e-books	OITP
Dollar General Foundation	literacy and reading	AASL; OLOS; YALSA	Freedom to Read Foundation	intellectual freedom	OIF+	Educopia Institute	leadership	AASL; OA
Ezra Jack Keats Foundation	book award	ALSC	Global Congress on Public Interest Intellectual Property Law, Program on Information Justice and Intellectual Property Policy, Washington College of Law, American University	intellectual property law	OITP	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago	financial literacy	PLA
Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network (GLSEN)	inclusion	ALSC	Google Washington Office	information policy issues	OITP	Federal Trade Commission (FTC)	financial literacy; consumer education; online safety (incl. cyberbullying)	CRO
Heritage Preservation	Preservation Week	ALCTS	In the Public Interest	privatization	OLA	Forward Reviews	books and reading (programming at MW/AC)	AASL
International Federation of Library Associations	Campaign for the Worlds' Libraries	EXEC; IRO; PIO	Inclusive Gigabit Libraries (U. Illinois, IMLS)	public library telecom case studies	OITP	Grant Professional Association	conference programming	CONF
Library for All	ebook access in developing countries	OITP	Independent Book Publishers Association	e-books	OITP	Guadalajara Book Fair	collection development	IRO
National Afterschool Association	afterschool activities	ALSC; YALSA	Innovative Approaches to Literacy (IAL)	literacy funding	OGR	Hong Kong Book Fair	collection development	IRO
National Association for the Education of Young People (NAEYC)	early childhood education, literacy	ALSC	International Federation of Library Associations	international issues related to information policy	EXEC	IMLS	leadership; community transformation; diversity	multiple
National Education Association: Read Across America	literacy and reading	AASL; ALSC	IFLA eLending Group	ebooks	OITP	International City/County Management Association (ICMA)	leadership	PLA
National "Drop Everything And Read" Day	literacy and reading	ALSC	Library Copyright Alliance	copyright	OGR, OITP, ACRL	International Federal of Library Associations	continuing education, leadership	multiple
National Endowment for the Arts	STEAM	OITP; PPO	Library For All	e-book access in developing countries	OITP	International Interior Design Association (IIDA)	outstanding library interiors (biennial award)	multiple

National Eye Institute	Healthy Vision Week resources	PLA	Media Coalition	free expression	OIF	Music Library Association	cataloging policy	ALCTS
National Institute on Aging	library programs for older adults	DEV	Medical Library Association	copyright, access	EXEC	National Storytelling Network	literacy and reading	EXEC; ALSC
National Summer Learning Association	literacy and reading	YALSA	National Center for Family Literacy	literacy, education	ALSC	NISO	standards	ALCTS; ORS
PEW Internet Project	public library technology research	OITP	National Center for Literacy Education	literacy, education	AASL	North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG)	cataloging policy	ALCTS
Project Counter	usage statistics	ACRL	National Coalition on Literacy	literacy, adult education	OGR, OLOS	Online Audiovisual Catalogers (OLAC)	cataloging policy	ALCTS
Project RED	technology as part of teaching and learning	AASL	National Committee on Pay Equity	pay equity	; HRDR; ALA-APA	Patent and Trademark Resource Center Association		ALCTS; EXEC
Public Interest	privatization	OLA	National Rural Telecom. Assoc.	broadband access, rural development	OGR	ProLiteracy Worldwide	literacy and reading	EXEC; OFD / OLOS
Read for the Record Campaign (Pearson Foundation)	literacy and reading	AASL	National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)	BTOP, digital literacy	OITP	REFORMA	continuing education, diversity, equity of access	EXEC; OLOS
Reading in Fundamental (RIF)	literacy and reading	ALSC	National Women's History Museum Coalition	women's issues; construction of museum on Mall	HRDR/ COSWL	Romance Writers Association	programming at MW/AC	CONF
Scholastic Publishing	National Library Week grant	PIO	Network Neutrality Coalition	network neutrality	OGR; OITP	SchoolTube.com	education for school librarians, teachers	AASL
U.S. Dept. of Education: Connected Educator Month		AASL	Openthegovernment.org	government transparency, open access, government information	OGR	Science Fiction Writers of America	programming at MW/AC	CONF
Urban Libraries Council	e-books; EDGE benchmarks	PLA, OITP	Organizations Concerned with Rural Education (OCRE)	school construction, funding (incl. school libraries)	OGR	Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM)	collection development	CONF
USBBY		ALSC; YALSA	Owners' Rights Initiative (ORI)	first-sale doctrine/copyright	OGR	Sisters in Crime	programming at MW/AC	CONF
WebJunction	Geek the Library; Turning the Page	PLA	Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC)	scholarly publishing	ACRL	Sharjah International Book Fair	collection development	IRO
Women's National Book Association (WNBA)	National Reading Group Month/Great Group Reads	Booklist	SHLB (School, Health Care, Libraries, Broadband Coalition)	e-rate, telecommunications	OITP	WebJunction (IMLS)	Coalition for National Learning	PLA
World Book Night	reading and literacy promotion	MPS SAED	Society of American Archivists	preservation and access	EXEC			
			Special Libraries Association		EXEC			

	<p>Surveillance Coalition      privacy, surveillance, civil liberties</p> <p>Wifi Forward Coalition      unlicensed spectrum</p>	<p>OIF, OGR</p> <p>OITP</p>
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ORGANIZATION OR COALITION	COALITION MEMBERS	FUNDING	NATURE	DURATION	MAJOR FOCUS	PRIMARY ALA CONTACT(S)	IMPACT /OUTCOME DATA
AARP Foundation					older adult programs	ALA Development	
Achieve	independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit education reform organization				work with states to raise academic standards & graduation requirements, improve assessments, strengthen accountability	AASL	In partnership with Achieve, AASL released action brief on the role of school librarians in implementation of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS).
ACRL Liaisons Assembly	American Anthropological Association (AAA); American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS); American Association of Community Colleges (AACC); ALISE; American Political Science Association (APSA); American Sociological Association (ASA); Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH); Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIST); Council of Independent Colleges (CIC); EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative (ELI); Modern Language Association (MLA); National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition (NRC-FYEST); National Women's Studies Association (NWSA); Society for College and University Planning (SCUP); Society for Information Technology & Teacher Preparation (SITE)	ALA/ACRL members may compete for \$ to attend these meetings	no	ongoing	higher education	ACRL	These are groups with which ACRL has an informal relationship through a member. Members may compete for competitive funding to attend these meetings. All groups are external to librarianship, focusing on higher education, and disciplinary associations.
Alliance for Excellent Education		no	no	2 years →	Digital Learning Day; celebration of innovative teaching practices	YALSA; AASL	DigitalLearningDay.org
American Alliance of Museums (AAM)	all types of museums				IMLS & reauthorization law; archives / libraries / museums issues	EXEC; WO/OGR; CALM (ALA Library)	AAM has representatives on CALM (Joint ALA Committee on Archives, Libraries & Museums); collaborate on ALA Center for the Future of Libraries
American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)			ALA affiliate	ongoing	public policy issues	Executive Office	Meet 2x year (MW/AC) to discuss common issues & initiatives; U.S. IFLA group



American Camp Association		no	yes	2 years →	literacy and reading	YALSA	mutual support for work related to literacy & reading promotion
American Constitution Society					Intellectual freedom	OIF	Barbara Jones and Deborah Caldwell-Stone. FTRF is also a member. Receive updates on 1st amendment issues.
American Council of Learned Societies		dues	no	ongoing	higher education; humanities	ACRL	An umbrella group for humanities societies (est. about 70 member societies -- see <a href="https://www.acls.org/societies/">https://www.acls.org/societies/</a> . ACRL Executive Director attends 1-2 meetings/year.
The American Institute of Architects (AIA)		in-kind	?	open-ended	ALA/AIA Library Building Awards (bi-annual)	LLAMA	Bi-annual recognition of excellence in library architectural design. AIA manages judging and provides award certificates; ALA manages program at Annual Conference.
American Institute of Conservation		no	no	ongoing	Preservation Week	ALCTS	One of the continuing partners of Preservation Week; other partners include LC, Heritage Preservation and Society of American Archivists
American Theological Library Association					cataloging policy	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
America's Promise		in-kind			increase high-school graduation rate	Development	Disseminate information on grant opportunities to libraries
"Archives" coalition	Library, archives and open government groups				preservation, National Archives funding	WO/OGR (Jessica McGilvray)	updates and information
ARLIS/NA (Art Libraries Society of North America)			ALA affiliate		cataloging policy	ALCTS; Executive Office	ALCTS CC:DA
ASCD Whole Child					encourage schools & communities to work together to ensure each student has access to a challenging curriculum in a healthy, supportive environment	AASL	
Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association			ALA affiliate			Executive Office; OFD	
Aspen Institute			project-specific		2 initiatives: future of public libraries, digital learning	PLA	PLA Board rep. to each Aspen group
ASPIRA Association, Inc.			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE)	Individual member organization.	Annual dues	no	ongoing	LIS education	OA, HRDR, MPS	ALISE assists with development of LIS Pavilion at Annual. ALISE collaborates with OA on the collection of statistical data on LIS programs. Shared programming.
Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL)	PLA is an ARSL affiliate		ALA affiliate		joint marketing	Executive Office PLA	PLA Board member liaison
					Exhibit at ARSL	OFD/OLOS	
Association of American Publishers					publishing (incl. e-books)	ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	periodic meetings; exchange of information

Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services			ALA affiliate			Executive Office; OFD/OLOS	National Bookmobile Day
Association of Children's Museums			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Association of Jewish Libraries		no	no	ongoing	cataloging policy	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
Association of Research Libraries			ALA afl	ongoing	public policy; higher education	ALA; ACRL	ACRL president/executive director invited to ARL membership meetings; ARL meets with ALA leadership 2x/year (MW/AC).
Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA)	ALA is an accreditor-member; membership includes 59 accreditor organizations.	ALA membership fee: \$5,019			LIS education	OA	
Best Buy Children's Foundation		\$60,000 sponsorship	Yes	1 year	literacy and reading	YALSA	2014 Teen Week sponsorship
Beta Phi Mu			ALA affiliate			Executive Office	
"Big 5" Publishers					access to e-books	ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	periodic meetings & discussions
Big Brothers/Big Sisters			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation			yes, grant-specific	grant-specific	public library focus; leadership, digital literacy, early literacy, other	PLA, PPO; ALA0/OITP (Alan Inouye & Larra Clark)	\$9M+ since 2008
					Turning the Page, Edge, Transforming Libraries		
Black Caucus of ALA			ALA affiliate			Executive Office; OFD/OLOS	co-sponsors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. memorial service at MW
Book Industry Study Group (BISG)					book publishing standards; statistics	Executive Office; ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	Keith Fiels on Board
Canadian Library Association			ALA affiliate	ongoing		Executive Office; MPS (MG is member)	participation in CLA conferences; CLA is an RDA copyright co-owner
Carnegie Corporation of New York		yes		through end of 2014	public awareness	PIO	I Love My Librarian award, in cooperation with New York Times
Carnegie Science Center					inspire girls to see themselves in STEM careers through gaming & online activities	AASL	Can*TEEN Career Exploration Kits (www.canteengirl.org/library )
Catholic Library Association			ALA affiliate		cataloging policy	ALCTS; Executive Office	ALCTS CC:DA
CCIA	industry group				copyright, broadband	WO/OITP (Alan Inouye)	regularly part of coalitions

Center for Democracy & Technology (CDT)	primarily connects to businesses & commercial interests				surveillance, privacy, copyright, broadband, etc.	WO/OGR (Lynne Bradley)	regular coalition conference calls; updates & information on privacy & surveillance bills; historically worked with CDT on filtering, telecom and other issues
Center for Technology in Government (U. of Albany)		travel \$ from grant	no	ongoing	Open Government project- IMLS grant to help PLs better define role in an open government ecosystem & help local government work with PLs to leverage expertise	PLA	
Chicago Metro Association for the Education of Young Children (AEYC)		grantee	informal		literacy, early childhood education	ALSC; PLA	Awarded ALSC/PLA Opening Minds Innovation Award for ECRR
Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA)		no	no	ongoing	grant-funded initiatives related to digital learning and leadership	PLA	
					information exchange	Executive Office	Regular meeting with ALA and U.S. IFLA associations
Child Mind Institute		no	no		resource sharing - Speak Up For Kids (May)	PLA	
Child Welfare League of America			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Children's Book Council	members?	no		10 years →		ALSC, YALSA	ALA/CBC Joint Committee, alternately managed by ALSC or YALSA
Children's Defense Fund			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA)			ALA affiliate	ongoing		Executive Office; OFD/OLOS	
Coalition for National Learning	list members (organized by IMLS/OCLC)	no		new	continuing education	YALSA, (PLA?)	
Coalition for Networked Information		dues	no	ongoing	information technology	ALA (+ ACRL, LITA)	2 meetings/year; updates on technology-related issues and applications, primarily but not exclusively in higher education
Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy (CLEL)			informal			ALSC	
Combined Book Exhibit/American Collective Stand		\$15,000-20,000		ongoing	conference	Conf Svcs	ALA trades booth space at AC/MW in exchange for booth space at London Book Fair, Frankfurt Book Fair, BookExpo
Committee on Education Funding	education groups				federal funding, ESEA, WIA	WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz)	Gala committee, Budget committee, Budget Report Section Editor; weekly meetings
Connecticut Library Consortium				pending		ALSC	"Take Your Child to the Library" Day

Consortium for School Networking (CoSN)	education associations					AASL	released new report aimed at helping inform/guide education decision-makers as they revise policies related to use of mobile technologies & social media in schools (www.cosn.org/MakingProgress )
Consumer Financial Protection Bureau		no	no	ongoing	through IMLS: to push out resources	PLA	
Council for Exceptional Children			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)		\$10,000 + expenses (= about \$1,800 annually)		ongoing	LIS education	OA	CHEA recognizes accreditors that meet standards. ALA accreditation was recognized in May 2013 for a 10 year period.
Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) -- prev. NCATE	ALA is a "constituent member."	ALA membership fee: \$21,420		Council approval date:	LIS education	AASL, OA	CAEP, working with ALA/AASL and OA, reviews graduate programs in school librarianship within schools of education; 38 graduate programs for school librarians currently on approved list
Council of Higher Education Management Association (CHEMA)		dues	no	ongoing	higher education	ACRL	CHEMA is a voluntary association of about 30 management-oriented higher education associations in the U.S. and Canada. (http://www.chemanet.org/members/asp ) The ACRL executive director attends 1-2 meetings/year, as time permits.
Dewey Classification Policy Editorial Committee		no	no	ongoing	cataloging policy	ALCTS	Dewey Classification
Digital Book World	digital publishing community				disseminate information about e-book industry	ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	blogger
Digital Due Process (DDP)	Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC), Consumers Union				privacy issues	WO/OGR (Lynne Bradley)	regular meetings, updates & information; may sign on to litigation; does not lobby
Digital Inclusion Study	U. Maryland, IMLS, ALA ORS				public library technology research	ALA/OITP (Larra Clark)	communications and research activities
Digital Literacy Project	grant with PLA (IMLS?)				advancing digital literacy through libraries	ALA/OITP (Marijke Visser); PLA	
Disney Book Group				ongoing		PIO	
Dollar General Literacy Foundation		various grants	Yes	individual durations	literacy and reading	OLOS, AASL, ALSC, YALSA	Grants related to various aspects of literacy.
Dublin Core		no	no	ongoing	cataloging policy	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
EdLINC	OITP				E-rate	WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz); WO/OITP (Marijke Visser)	meetings; common policy & advocacy positions; submissions to FCC, Congress, Administration

Education Superhighway					broadband	AASL	Launched National School Broadband Test in conjunction with U.S. Dept. of Education to take an inventory of the state of internet access in America's K-12 schools
Educopia Institute		travel \$ from grant	no	ongoing	partner on IMLS grant related to leadership	PLA	
Endangered Species Coalition						ALSC	Endangered Species Day
Erikson Institute						ALSC	National Forum Grant on Early Childhood Education in Urban Libraries
Ezra Jack Keats Foundation						ALSC	Ezra Jack Keats Book Award
Federal Communications Commission (FCC)					telecom policy, particularly e-rate	WO/OITP (Larra Clark & Marijke Visser)	extensive communications
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago		no	no	ongoing	financial literacy	CRO	library programming
FEDLINK	various federal libraries				issues pertaining to federal libraries	WO/OGR (Jessica McGilvray)	on FEDLINK Board, participate in meetings
FEN (Free Expression Network)	Center for Democracy and Technology (CDT); Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC); AAUP - Academic Freedom Committee; ACLU; Electronic Frontier Foundation; FTRF; others	no	no	continuing	privacy, free expression, civil liberties	OIF; WO/OGR (Lynne Bradley)	This "umbrella" groups meets in DC or NYC quarterly, enabling convenient, ongoing networking among organizations focused on a key ALA value area. Barbara Jones (OIF) serves on the AAUP Academic Freedom Committee and is their liaison to the ACRL Professional Values Committee.
Foreward Reviews					Promotion of books & reading	Conf Svcs	Exchange time on PopTop Stage for their annual awards for ads in print & promotion on their website
Forum on Educational Accountability (FEA)	other K12 groups				ESEA reauthorization	WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz)	irregular meetings
Fred Rogers Center						ALSC	National Forum Grant on Early Childhood Education in Urban Libraries
Freedom Forum	groups interested in First Amendment rights				FOIA issues	WO/OGR (Jessica McGilvray)	work with them on Freedom of Information Day (March)
Freedom to Read Foundation							

FTC (Federal Trade Commission)		no	no	ongoing	resource sharing re. financial literacy, consumer education	PLA	
	OnGuardOnline.gov				online safety, incl. cyberbullying, texting, file sharing, etc.	AASL	Net Cetera Community Outreach Toolkit (in English and Spanish)
Gale Cengage		\$75,000			conference	Conf Svcs	Conf Shuttle Bus sponsorship
Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network (GLSEN)			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Girl Scouts of the USA			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Global Congress on Public Interest Intellectual Property Law, Program on Information Justice and Intellectual Property Policy, Washington College of Law, American University	legal scholars, policymakers and policy advocates				copyright, international copyright, patents, access to medicines	ALA/OITP (Carrie Russell)	participant in Congress, exchange of information, participation on joint projects
Google						ALSC	Doodle 4 Google Project
Google Washington Office	analysts and lobbyists				information policy issues	ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye & Larra Clark)	Google Policy Fellow program; collaboration on policy issues & projects; funding; consumer advisory committee
Grant Professionals Association		\$2,500			conference	Conf Svcs	booth/registration at GPA conf
Guadalajara Book Fair		in-kind		current agreement to 2015	Spanish language users; collection developers	Conf Svcs/IRO	Improved Spanish-language collections in U.S. libraries. IRO coordinates group attendance.
							ALA provides furnished booth at Annual; receives hotel/registration at bookfair
Heritage Preservation		dues (\$200)	no	ongoing	Preservation Week	ALCTS	A continuing sponsor of Preservation Week, along with LC, AIC, SAA
Hong Kong Book Fair		in-kind -- hotel/reg			Chinese language users; collection developers	IRO	Improved Chinese-language collections in U.S. libraries.
In The Public Interest		no	no	ongoing	privatization	OLA	white papers, fact sheets, "backgrounders"
Inclusive Gigabit Libraries	U. Illinois, IMLS				public library telecom case studies	ALA/OITP (Larra Clark)	grant partner for CE & communications
IEEE					cataloging policy	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
Independent Book Publishers Association					e-books; publishing	ALA-OITP (Alan Inouye)	
Innovative Approaches to Literacy (IAL)	Reach out and Read; Reading is Fundamental				funding innovative approaches to literacy	WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz)	Lobby Congress for IAL funding
Institute for Museum & Library Services (IMLS)				grant-specific	grants -- varied	PLA, YALSA, OFD, PPO, ACRL; WO/OITP; ALSC; ORS	\$1M + since 2011; <i>Growing Young Minds</i> report

IMLS Library Statistics Working Group (LSWG)			member			ORS	ORS Director Kathy Rose is a member of the IMLS LSWG, charged with advising IMLS on the conduct of national public library and state library data collections.
International City/County Management Association (ICMA)		in-kind	no	ongoing	partner on PLA leadership training program	PLA	
International Federation of Library Associations		dues		ongoing	international promotion of/education for libraries & librarianship; standards	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
						Executive Office	Conference Services provides free booth at Annual
						PIO	Campaign for the World's Libraries
IFLA eLending Group	librarians representing library associations from around the world; IFLA staff				Ebooks (primarily trade publications and public libraries)	ALA/OITP (Carrie Russell)	ALA representative to group
International Interior Design Association (IIDA)		cost share		open-ended	ALA/IIDA Library Interior Design Awards (bi-annual)	LLAMA	Bi-annual recognition of outstanding library interior design. IIDA manages judging and provides award certificates; ALA/IIDA share reception/program costs
International Reading Association			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
International Standards Organization (ISO)			delegate			ORS	ORS Director Kathy Rosa is delegate on working group (ISO TC 46/SC 9/WG 4) to revise the ISBN standard
Learning Disabilities Association			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
LEGO DUPLO		grantor			Read! Build! Play! Project	ALSC	
Library & Book Trade Almanac (Bowker Annual)	library and book publishing communities				reference publication in field	ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	Consultant editor
Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa				ALA affiliate		Executive Office	
Library Copyright Alliance	ALA, ALA/ACRL, ARL	cost share		open-ended	information policy: copyright	ALA [OGR/Ted Wegner; OITP/Carrie Russell), ALA/ACRL, ARL	Collective action/positioning on legislation, litigation & other regulatory activities
Library for All	schools, technologists, publishers				E-book access in developing countries	ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	Advisory Board member

Library of Congress		varies by specific issue and/or project	varies	open-ended	cataloging policy: CIP Advisory Committee; MARC Advisory Committee; Preservation Week. See also RDA.	ALCTS	ALCTS maintains a number of relationships as part of its responsibility for cataloging standards. ALCTS is also the lead organizer of Preservation Week, done in collaboration with LC. American Institute of Conservation, and Heritage Preservation
Lifetime Television						PIO	
Little eLit						ALSC	National Forum Grant on Early Childhood Education in Urban Libraries
Lunar and Planetary Institute			MOU			ALSC	non-profit formal partnership
Media Coalition			no	open-ended		OIF	Provides expert legal advice in areas such as videogames and media-related censorship. Barbara Jones (OIF) is Treasurer. Meets in NYC. FTRF is also a member.
Medical Library Association			ALA affiliate		IFLA; cataloging policy	Executive Office; ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA; MLA provides 1 Spectrum scholarship/year; meets 2x year (MA/AC) to review issues of common interest
Music Library Association			ALA affiliate		cataloging policy	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
NARUC & NATOA				dormant for not, used as needed	broadband access	WO/OGR	information sharing
National 4-H Council			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Afterschool Association		no	Yes- in devel.		mutual support for after-school and advocacy efforts		
National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee; ALSC exhibited at 2013 NAEYC Conference
National Autism Association			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Black Child Development Institute			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Center for Children in Poverty			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Center for Family Literacy						ALSC	National Conference on Family Literacy
National Center for Literacy Education (NCLE)	20 literacy groups				literacy, education	AASL	see Working Together is Working Smarter Infographic school librarian findings in <i>Remolding Literacy Learning: Making Room for What Works</i> , released by NCLE, April 2013



National Coalition on Literacy	literacy organizations				literacy, adult education	WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz); OFD/OLOS	VP & on Board of Directors; regular meetings	
National Committee on Pay Equity				ongoing	pay equity	ALA-APA	Working to eliminate sex-and race-based discrimination and achieve pay equity.	
National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ)						liaison	ALSC	through ALSC committee
National "Drop Everything and Read" Day					literacy and reading	MOU	ALSC	
National Education Association					literacy, education	liaison	AASL; ALSC	NEA's Read Across America -- annual reading motivation & awareness program (March 2)
National Endowment for the Arts					integrating the arts, technology & other sectors for societal benefit		ALA/OITP (Alan Inouye)	exchange of information; invited to participate in STEAM activities
National Endowment for the Humanities								
National Eye Institute		no	no	ongoing	resource sharing - Healthy Vision Month (May)		PLA	
National Headstart Association						liaison	ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Institute for Play						liaison	ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Institute on Aging					older adult programs		ALA Development	
National Institute on Out-of-School Time						liaison	ALSC	through ALSC committee
National PTA						liaison	ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Rural Telecom. Assoc.	Grange, rural development groups, etc.				broadband access & rural development		WO/OGR (Ted Wegner)	periodic meetings, updates & information
National Storytelling Network						ALA affiliate; ALSC liaison	Executive Office; ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)						liaison	ALSC	through ALSC committee
National Summer Learning Association		no	no	2 years →			YALSA	
National Telecommunications and Information Administration					BTOP and digital literacy		WO/OITP (Larra Clark & Marijke Visser)	extensive communications
National Women's History Museum	ALA is a NWHM coalition member			ongoing	women's issues		HRDR/COSWL	Build a world-class museum on National Mall that raises awareness & honors women's diverse experiences and achievements
Network Neutrality Coalition	ARL, EDUCAUSE				network neutrality advocacy		WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz); WO/OITP (Larra Clark)	meetings as needed; federal advocacy for network neutrality

New York Times		in-kind	no	through end of 2014	I Love My Librarian Award	PIO	with funding from Carnegie Corporation
NISO		no	no	ongoing	standards	ALCTS	
NISO z39_7 Standing Committee			member			ORS	ORS Director Kathy Rosa is a member of the z39_7 Standing Committee, charged to assist the information community by "indicating and defining useful quantifiable information to measure the resources and performance of libraries and to provide a body of valid and comparable data on American libraries."
North American Council on Adoptable Children			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
North American Serials Interest Group		no	no	ongoing	liaison (information exchange)	ALCTS	
OCLC						ALCTS	
Online Audiovisual Catalogers (OLAC)		no	ALA affiliate	ongoing	cataloging policy	ALCTS; Executive Office	ALCTS CC:DA
Openthegovernment.org	National Security Archives, Public Accountability Project (POGO), etc.				government transparency, open access, government information	WO/OGR (Lynne Bradley)	regular meetings, updates, coordinated meetings with Executive Branch officials, public statements
Organizations Concerned with Rural Education (OCRE)	school administrators, rural development groups, etc.				rural education issues (including school buildings, funding)	WO/OGR (Ted Wegner)	monthly meetings with updates & information
Owners' Rights Initiative (ORI)	companies/organizations which rely on first sale doctrine in copyright law				copyright (specifically first sale) & copyright review in Congress	WO/OGR (Ted Wegner)	weekly calls; Hill meetings; Hill briefings
Patent and Trademark Resource Center Association			ALA affiliate			Executive Office	
PEW Internet Project	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, COSLA, etc.				public library technology research	WO/OITP (Larra Clark)	member of advisory committee
President's Advisory Council on Financial Capability			MOU		"Money as You Grow" program	ALSC	
Prevent Child Abuse America			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC)	?	no	no	ongoing		ALCTS	
Project Counter (Counting Online Usage of Networked Electronic Resources)		dues	no	ongoing	usage statistics	ACRL	An international initiative serving librarians, publishers, intermediaries by setting standards that facilitate the recording & reporting of online usage statistics in a consistent, credible, and compatible way. <a href="http://www.projectcounter.org/about.html">http://www.projectcounter.org/about.html</a>

Project RED (Revolutionizing Education)					revolutionize the way the U.S. looks at technology as part of teaching and learning	AASL	national research and advocacy plan; <i>The Technology Factor: Nine Keys to Learning Achievement and Cost-Effectiveness</i> ; webinar series
ProLiteracy Worldwide			ALA affiliate		literacy	Executive Office; OFD/OLOS	Library Literacy Action Plan
Public Interest		no	no	ongoing	privatization	OLA	information for advocacy
Puppeteers of America			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Reach Out and Read			liaison		literacy and reading	ALSC	through ALSC committee
Read for the Record Campaign	in conjunction with Pearson Foundation				literacy; early education	AASL	annual read for the record campaign
Reading is Fundamental (RIF)			liaison		literacy and reading	ALSC	through ALSC committee
Reading Rockets			MOU		Library Resources webpage	ALSC	
REFORMA			ALA affiliate			Executive Office; OFD/OLOS	
Resource Description and Access (RDA): Joint Steering Committee	ALA, CILIP, Canadian Cataloging Committee, Australian Cataloging Committee, BL, LC, German Cataloging Community (DB)	yes	yes	ongoing	RDA rules	ALA-PUB; ALCTS	The ALA representative is appointed through ALCTS, typically from those active in ALCTS CC:DA; ALCTS sponsors regular programming, training and updates.
Resource Description and Access (RDA): Committee of Principals	ALA, CILIP, CLA, LC, LAC, BL, NLA, DB	yes	yes	since AACR	RDA governance	ALA-Senior Assoc. Exec. Dir; ALA-AED Pub	RDA is both a publishing product and a complex set of international relationships.
Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC)		dues	no	ongoing	scholarly publishing	ACRL	International alliance of academic & research libraries working to create a more open system of scholarly communication. <a href="http://www.sparc.arl.org">http://www.sparc.arl.org</a>
Scholastic Publishing		yes	yes	ongoing	National Library Week grant	PIO	
SchoolTube.com	nation's largest k-12 moderated video sharing website					AASL	
Science Fiction Writers of America; Sisters in Crime; National Storytelling Network; Romance Writers Association		value=\$2500/assoc			conference -- ALA provides furnished booth	Conf Svcs	Provide authors for exhibit floor stages
Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials			ALA affiliate		collection development	Executive Office	improved Latin American collections in U.S. libraries

Sharjah International Bookfair (SIBF)		yes	yes	new	training, promotion	ALA IRO; ALA Marketing	promote value of libraries in Sharjah (UAE); help train librarians in Sharjah; help Arab-language publishers understand U.S. library practices; foster greater use of AL products and services.
SHLB (School, Health Care, Libraries, Broadband) Coalition	OITP				E-rate; Telecom	WO/OGR (Jeff Kratz); WO/OITP (Larra Clark)	bi-weekly calls; annual meetings; ALA is Board member
Sociedad de Bibliotecarios de Puerto Rico			ALA affiliate			Executive Office	
Society for Imaging Science and Technology		no	no	ongoing	"cooperating society"?	ALCTS	
Society of American Archivists				ongoing	Preservation Week;ALA Joint Committee on Libraries, Archives and Museums (CALM)	ALCTS; ALA Library (liaison to CALM)	Continuing sponsor, along with LC, AIC, Heritage Preservation; cataloging policy (ALCTS CC:DA)
Special Libraries Association		no	no	open-ended	cataloging policy	ALCTS	ALCTS CC:DA
Surveillance Coalition	"large group" ; coordinated by the ACLU	no	no	recent	Privacy/surveillance civil liberties groups.	OIF, WO/OGR (Lynne Bradley)	Weekly conference calls, often with key decision makers (DC); coordinated coalition meetings, Hill visits; updates & information
Theatre Library Association			ALA affiliate			Executive Office	
United States Bone and Joint Initiative		no	no	ongoing	bone, joint health resources	PLA	information sharing
US Department of Education: Connected Educator Month	AASL is a participating organization					AASL	see Connected Educator Month website
Urban Libraries Council (ULC)		no	yes; ALA affiliate	project-specific	Edge Initiative partner; Collaborations vary	PLA; Executive Office; WO/OITP (Marijke Visser & Larra Clark)	collaboration on e-book advocacy; Edge benchmarks
USBBY (United States Board on Books for Young People)			MOU	10 years →	International Children's Book Day	YALSA, ALSC	
Verizon, AT&T, etc.	telecom companies			dormant for now, use as needed	broadband, e-rate	WO/OGR	

WebJunction			no		Edge Initiative partner; partner on 2 IMLS grants related to CE (Coalition for National Learning); partner on Gates-funded advocacy projects (Geek the Library, Turning the Page)	PLA	<\$5000 (travel & resources for joint planning)
Wifi Forward Coalition	Google, Microsoft, Comcast				unlicensed spectrum	ALA/OITP (Larra Clark)	education, public events & media outreach on spectrum policy
Women's National Book Association		in-kind only	N	5 years →	National Reading Group Month (NRGM)/Great Group Reads [October]	Booklist	Highlight Booklist reviews and resources for targeted groups; position Booklist as the go-to for reading groups.
		Great Groups Reads feature in October					Booklist's Book Group Buzz is the official NRGM/GGR blog.
World Book Night	Association of American Publishers, American Booksellers Association, American Library Association	in-kind only	N	3 years →	Library participation in World Book Night (April)	MPS	>1,000 participating libraries of all types in spring 2014
Yale Center for Dyslexia and Creativity					new campaign ?	ALA Development	
YMCA USA			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
YWCA USA			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee
Zero to Three			liaison			ALSC	through ALSC committee