

Final Report

The main goal of this project was the full automation of three member libraries of the Four County Library System (4CLS):

- Unadilla Public Library
- Gilbertsville Free Library
- Smyrna Public Library

The three libraries are all operating as fully online, automated libraries. Gilbertsville went live May 5, 2018, Unadilla went live August 28, 2018, and Smyrna went live September 5, 2018. Their holdings have been added to the online catalog and barcoded.

During the scope of the project:

- 14,685 items were added to the online union catalog. Of those, 2,660 were unique titles.
- Newly barcoded materials at the three libraries circulated a total of 2,537 times.
- The three newly automated libraries fulfilled 1,610 interlibrary loan requests at other libraries in the system.

Budget

Computer Equipment	\$6,954
Six laptop computers and six barcode scanners	
Personnel	\$4,732
Part time copy cataloger upgraded to full time for FY 2018 473 staff hours	
Total	\$12,964

Going Forward

With the three target libraries fully automated, efforts turn to automating the remaining non-online libraries. 4CLS has received online contracts from several more libraries. Many of the laptops have been provided to other libraries now working on barcoding their collections. With the added equipment, we expect all 4CLS member libraries to be compliant with the new standards by the deadline in 2021.

In addition, 4CLS joined OCLC in December, 2018. The holdings of all of the system's automated libraries will soon be discoverable in WorldCat.

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