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SELA/GENERAL NEWS:

SELA/ALLA Joint Conference

During the recent joint SELA/GaCOMO conference, the SELA Board voted to accept the Alabama Library Association's (ALLA) invitation to hold a joint conference April 7-10, 2015.

The conference will be held in Point Clear, AL at The Grand Hotel, and the theme is *Librarians: Information Superheroes!* Here is a link to ALLA's conference web page. <http://www.allanet.org/?page=7>. Further information can also be found on the SELA website at <http://selaonline.org/news/conference2015.htm>

Public Library Summer Meal Programs

Are you providing support for public library summer meal programs or are you interested in learning how to provide support? Would you like to access resources that can help you help your libraries establish themselves as successful summer meal sites?

Please find below a set of resources on supporting and establishing public library summer meal programs. The resources have been developed by the California Library Association and California Summer Meal Coalition.

If you are interested in providing support to the libraries in your state that would like to become summer meal sites, please don't hesitate to visit the resources below.

Free resources have been developed by the California Library Association and California Summer Meal Coalition*:

- to help libraries create successful and impactful summer meal programs in partnership with USDA summer nutrition programs, and
- to help state libraries and state library associations provide support to these programs.

The program website, <http://lunchatthelibrary.org>, provides a wealth of information on assessing capacity, getting started, recruiting volunteers, conducting outreach, evaluating your program, and more.

State-Specific Resources

The site contains resources that are applicable to any summer meal program, and [resources that are state-specific](#). If you have collected resources on establishing public library summer meal programs in your state, please email Natalie Cole at ncole@cla-net.org so they can be added to the site.

Community

Join the listserv and connect with librarians across the US who are providing and supporting public library summer meal programs. Please email Natalie Cole at ncole@cla-net.org to be added to the listserv.

Training

Training is provided in the form of webinars, preconference workshops, regional workshops, and conference presentations. We currently have workshops coming up in Fresno, CA (March 6) and San Francisco, CA (an ALA preconference taking place on June 26). CLA and Coalition staff members are also available to talk by phone with other state agencies and associations who would like to begin supporting public library summer meal programs. Visit the training page of our site for current opportunities: <http://lunchatthelibrary.org/resources/training-opportunities/>

Map Your Program

CLA and the Coalition, in partnership with USDA, maintain an online map of public library summer meal sites. Don't see your programs on the map? Email Natalie Cole at ncole@cla-net.org to be added to the map.

Evaluation

Tools are provided to help libraries set and meet outcomes for their summer meal programs. Our 2015 survey tools will soon be available on the website. If there are other resources you would like to see the California Library Association and California Summer Meal Coalition provide, please let us know.

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