



# OWWL LIBRARY SYSTEM

## Strategic Plan 2022-2024

### Mission, Vision, and Core Values

**Mission:** Support library services across Ontario, Wyoming, Wayne, and Livingston Counties.

**Vision:** Everyone enjoys the freedom to read, learn, and grow through equitable access to library services.

**Core Values:** Access, Community, and Intellectual Freedom

### Strategic Area One: Create a Single OWWL Identity

**Purpose:** To strengthen the connection to our members and show a unified message to the communities we serve, the System will embark on a renaming project resulting in retiring the name ‘Pioneer Library System’ and moving forward with ‘OWWL Library System.’

Year One Goals (2022)	Year Two Goals (2023)	Year Three Goals (2024)
✓ <i>File charter amendment to begin the renaming process to OWWL Library System.</i>	✓ <i>Develop a style guide to define OWWL Library System communications.</i>	Fine-tune System branding and integration with existing services. Update Brand Usage Policy.

### Strategic Area Two: Enhance Technology Systems

**Purpose:** In today’s digital ecosystem, up-to-date systems, security, affordability, and expertise are the key elements in providing libraries with the support they need.

Year One Goals (2022)	Year Two Goals (2023)	Year Three Goals (2024)
✓ <i>Redesign OWWL website and launch “@owwl.org” email addresses.</i>	✓ <i>Email planning and migration.</i>	
Library LTSP Linux upgrades.	✓ <i>Identify potential security issues across our System. [Ongoing]</i>	Develop a security report of identified issues for Member Library review.
✓ <i>Upgrade “Prefab” member library website template.</i>	✓ <i>Active Directory for staff computers.</i>	Implement critical security policies and procedures.

## Strategic Area Three: Library Services Development

Purpose: Support leadership, inclusion, and education across our System.

Year One Goals (2022)	Year Two Goals (2023)	Year Three Goals (2024)
✓ <i>Develop a one-day symposium for small libraries held at the System in the summer of 2022.</i>	✓ <i>Design a long-range planning cohort to support plan development for member libraries.</i>	Develop professional standards for library leadership and a plan to implement system-wide.
	✓ <i>Hire individual facilitators to present on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion topics.</i>	Implement DEI practices and educate member library staff on developing inclusive policies and procedures.
	✓ <i>Develop Trustee Workshops that satisfy Trustee Education requirements.</i>	

## Strategic Area Four: Provide Seamless Access to Library Resources

Purpose: Provide residents of our region equitable access to library resources.

Year One Goals (2022)	Year Two Goals (2023)	Year Three Goals (2024)
✓ <i>Fund the development of a custom Android and iPhone Evergreen app for patrons.</i>	✓ <i>Migrate the online OWWL.org catalog to Aspen Discovery Layer.</i>	Explore opportunities for enhancing ILS reporting for Member Libraries.
	✓ <i>Provide ongoing training to Member Library front-line staff.</i>	

## Strategic Area Five: Outreach to Communities

Purpose: Create strong community partnerships through coordinated outreach.

Year One Goals (2022)	Year Two Goals (2023)	Year Three Goals (2024)
✓ <i>Launch Books by Mail pilot project for homebound individuals.</i>	✓ <i>Expand the Books by Mail program through collections, materials, workflow, and procedures.</i>	Evaluate Books by Mail and determine the next phase of the project.
✓ <i>Implement Early Literacy Projects (One Book, OWWL Kids; Backpack Program; Community Book Drops; Traveling StoryWalks; and Family Literacy Team).</i>	✓ <i>Develop a project plan for the new Targeted Outreach Population, At-Risk Youth (Birth through 21 Years).</i>	Continue to expand services to migrant families and children who are learning English as a second language.
✓ <i>Implement Assistive Technologies grant program.</i>		Develop a project plan for future ADA-related goals.

## Strategic Area Six: Patron Privacy and Data Security

Purpose: Uphold patron privacy laws and protect patron data by ensuring data security in all information systems.

Year One Goals (2022)	Year Two Goals (2023)	Year Three Goals (2024)
<i>✓ Further Development of the Systems Access and Confidentiality of Library Records Policy</i>	<i>✓ Engage a review committee to evaluate the Systems Access Policy.</i>	Review policy and procedure changes to data security as it relates to individual logins, PIN/Password requirements, and reporting tools.
	<i>✓ Implement procedures for Member Libraries to agree to and accept the Systems Access Policy.</i>	Ongoing education to Member Libraries and Boards of Trustees on patron privacy and the appropriate use and protection of data.
	<i>✓ Implement Encrypted SIP2 access to data.</i>	

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