

SENYLRC MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES & SERVICES

In 2006, the Board of Trustees approved a 5-year strategic plan and re-affirmed the importance of targeting services to libraries serving the scholarly, technical, and medical and research community – while at the same time recognizing the organization’s role in continuing to provide services to all types of libraries in the region.

SENYLRC has two membership categories: Governing and Affiliate. In fiscal year July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010, the membership dues are: \$521 for Governing members and \$174 for Affiliate members.



The mission of the Southeastern NY Library Resources Council is to support its members in the Mid Hudson Valley in order to enrich their services and enhance access to information for their users.

Governing

A **governing** member is a library or cultural heritage organization whose primary clientele is the “research community” (broadly defined as scholarly, technical and/or medical) and that satisfies the governing membership criteria as stipulated in SENYLRC’s Bylaws. Governing institutions include academic, large public, hospital and other health science libraries, special (non-profit and corporate), law, and certain cultural heritage organizations. Organizations in this membership category may take advantage of the entire suite of SENYLRC services and have voting privileges on important SENYLRC issues, including election of candidates to the Board of Trustees, revisions to the Bylaws and approval of membership dues. Staff are eligible to serve on SENYLRC’s Board, committees and interest groups.

Affiliate

An **affiliate** member is a library or cultural heritage organization that is interested in SENYLRC’s services, but does not satisfy the governing member eligibility requirements. Libraries in this category include public, school libraries, correctional facility libraries and cultural heritage organizations. Affiliate members have access to many SENYLRC services and staff may participate in SENYLRC’s committees and interest groups; however an affiliate member does not have voting privileges and cannot serve on the Board.

Non-Member Organizations

Libraries and cultural heritage organizations that are not members of SENYLRC may take advantage of regional services subsidized by SENYLRC for regional ILL, staff development workshops on technology and library automation, access to medical and consumer health information, and electronic resources. Other services may be available for a fee.

SENYLRC Services, Cost Values and Fees

| Service or Program | Description | Governing Member | Affiliate Member | Non-Member |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| Coordinated Collection Development Aid | Direct collection development grants are made to college libraries to assist in building stronger collections. Administered through SENYLRC, recipient libraries agree to loan from their collections to other libraries in region/state through ILL. Total program subsidy: \$110,927. | Academic Libraries | No | |
| Continuing Education | Workshops on topics relating to library issues, technology & professional staff development. (Some workshops may be partially subsidized with federal and/or state funds.) Total program cost: \$24,900. | Per person workshop cost as established by target minimum minus any applicable subsidy | Yes Governing member price + \$10 | Yes Governing member price + \$20 |
| Communications | Communications with library staff through listserv hosting, website, newsletter, interest group management, etc. Total program costs: \$22,153. | Yes | | Limited |
| Consulting | An average of 3 professional hours per library per year of as-needed consulting and follow-up by SENYLRC staff. Total service cost: \$7,844. | Yes | | Minimal |
| Consortial Database Administration | The administration of volume discounted subscriptions to electronic resources. Includes partial database subsidy of select resources through the Regional Automation program. Total service cost: \$80,000. | 1% of invoices | | |
| Hospital Database Subsidy | Annual average partial subsidy of \$30,000 of Hospital Library Services funds for electronic resources. | Yes Hospitals w/ Cost Share | No | |
| Hospital Web Gateways | Hospital library gateway web pages providing remote access to electronic resources to physicians and other hospital staff at point-of-need." Total service costs: \$30,296. | Yes Hospitals | No | |

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| Hudson River Valley Heritage | SENYLRC provides up to 28 hours of individual training & consulting to new contributors (thereafter, annually 10.5 hrs.), plus a hosted platform allowing libraries and cultural heritage organizations to contribute objects in digital format that are of historical or heritage value. Value: \$700 per institution. | Yes \$35 per hour if additional individual training is requested | | No |
| ILL Placement through OCLC & DOCLINE | SENYLRC staff will place interlibrary loan requests on behalf of libraries via the OCLC and DOCLINE ILL systems. Service available to libraries which are not OCLC or DOCLINE participants. | Yes No fee | Yes \$9 per ILL placed via OCLC; no fee for DOCLINE | Yes \$15 per ILL placed via OCLC; no fee for DOCLINE |
| Access to Medical Information | SENYLRC receives annual "Medical Information Services Program" aid to subsidize acquisition of medical & consumer health information for all libraries in the region. Total annual ILL subsidy amount \$40,000. | Yes, No fee | | |
| OPAC Service | SENYLRC hosts an online public access catalog for small libraries to provide web access of its holdings to their users. Total annual OPAC service cost: \$19,963. | Yes Variable costs depending on record count (annually from \$133 to \$633) | Governing member cost plus 40% | No |
| SEAL ILL | ILL loan requests to other libraries within the region. Using the software called Virtual Document eXchange (VDX) licensed from OCLC. The annual cost subsidized by the regional automation program is \$36,213. | Yes No fee | | |
| SEAL Virtual Union Catalog | SENYLRC provides a virtual connection to over 40 library and library systems online catalogs for simultaneous searching and access. The hosting platform is Z-Portal licensed from OCLC. The annual service cost funded by the regional automation program is \$26,454. | Yes No fee | | |