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Note: The estimated General Revenue Fund (GRF) spending for FY 2003 used in this LSC Redbook reflects the 2.5% reduction made as a result of the Governor's January 22, 2003 budget cut order. The executive reduction was applied across-the-board to FY 2003 GRF appropriations, subject to certain exceptions. Subsequent to such reductions (and not reflected in the Redbook), state agencies were permitted to reallocate the amount that each of their GRF appropriation line items was reduced, while still absorbing the 2.5% budget cut within the total amount of their GRF appropriations.

# Ohioana Library Association

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- In FY 2002, Ohioana's collection increased by over 1,100 items through solicited and unsolicited donations

## OVERVIEW

In 1929, Martha Kinney Cooper, the First Lady of Ohio, invited distinguished Ohioans, representing many groups and areas of the state, to help gather a collection of Ohio books for the Governor's mansion. A few years later the collection outgrew the mansion and was moved into the Ohio Departments Building at 65 South Front Street in Columbus. During the current biennium, Ohioana moved, along with the State Library, to the renovated Jeffrey Manufacturing Center located just outside of downtown Columbus. Today, a 28-member board that includes the Governor's spouse as well as four members appointed by the Governor governs the library.

The Ohioana Library Association encourages and recognizes the creative accomplishments of Ohio's native sons and daughters; maintains and preserves a permanent collection of books and music by Ohioans or about Ohio; and disseminates information about the work of Ohio writers, musicians, and other artists. These goals are accomplished with the Ohioana Collection, the Ohioana Awards, and the *Ohioana Quarterly* and other educational resources.

### Ohioana Collection

The Ohioana collection consists of over 41,000 volumes written by Ohioans or about Ohio or Ohioans. Approximately 1,000 new titles are added every year. In FY 2002, 1,148 new titles were added to the collection, a 10% increase over the average donations from previous years. This can be partly attributed to the move to the new facility that makes Ohioana more accessible. Either the author or publisher donates most books added to the collection. Donations of rare, older books are more likely now that Ohioana has moved into space that has climate-controlled storage.

### Ohioana Awards

The Ohioana Library provides recognition to Ohioans for their creative accomplishments through nine annual Ohioana Awards, which include:

- The *Lucille Loy Kuck Awards* for creative writing excellence for students in grades 9-12;
- The *Walter Rumsey Marvin Grant* for unpublished Ohio writers under the age of 30;
- The *Ohioana Citations* for distinguished service to Ohio in various categories of arts and humanities;
- The *James P. Barry Ohioana Award for Editorial Excellence* for a journal published in Ohio;

- The *Ohioana Career Medal* for a native Ohioan who has had an outstanding career in the arts and humanities;
- The *Ohioana Poetry Award* (Helen and Laura Krout Memorial) to recognize an outstanding Ohio poet;
- The *Alice Wood Ohioana Children's Literature Award* (Alice Louise Wood Memorial) to recognize an outstanding Ohio children's author;
- The *Pegasus Award* is for unique or outstanding cultural contribution by an Ohioan; and
- The *Ohioana Book Awards* recognize outstanding books published each year by Ohioans in the categories of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, juvenile literature, and "About Ohio."

### **Ohioana Quarterly and Educational Resources**

The Ohioana Library has published the *Ohioana Quarterly* four times a year since 1958. The *Quarterly* contains reviews of new books received by the library. To meet the needs of educators, the *Quarterly* includes a section called "Books for Young Readers" which contains reviews of books written for children. The *Quarterly* also publishes a list of Ohioans who have received national, regional, or statewide awards for the arts or humanities.

The Ohioana Library has published 11 lists of notable Ohioans as well as a literary map of the state. All of this information is available on the library's web page, which is located at <http://www.oplin.lib.oh.us/OHIOANA>.

Ohioana sponsors the Ohioana Ruth Mount Internship as well. This internship provides a community learning experience for an Ohio college or university student. This internship pays a stipend to the student.

## ANALYSIS OF EXECUTIVE PROPOSAL

### Ohioana Library Association

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**Purpose:** Collect, promote, publicize, and make available to the public the cultural, literary, scientific, social, and economic achievements of Ohioans

The Ohioana Library Association receives all of its funding through one line item. The following table shows the Governor's recommendation for that line item.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2004	FY 2005
GRF	355-501	Library Subsidy	\$215,036	\$215,036
<b>Total funding: Ohioana Library Association</b>			<b>\$215,036</b>	<b>\$215,036</b>

### Ohioana Library Association

**Program Description:** Section 3376.61 of the Revised Code created the Ohioana Library. The mission of the library is to encourage and recognize the creative accomplishments of Ohioans; maintain and preserve a permanent collection of books and sheet music written by Ohioans or about Ohio or Ohioans; and disseminate information about the works of Ohio's writers, artists, and musicians.

**Funding Source:** GRF

**Line Item:** 355-501, Library Subsidy

**Implication of the Executive Recommendation:** The executive recommendation gives a flat funding level to Ohioana for the upcoming biennium. This funding level is the same as that of the FY 2003 estimates. State funds are distributed to the library in the form of a subsidy. The state subsidy represents 75% to 80% of Ohioana's budget. The remaining 20% to 25% of the library's budget comes from memberships, subscriptions, gifts, and grants.

The primary implication of the executive recommendation is that Ohioana may have cut another position. This would result in a 20% staff reduction from FY 2003. Ohioana currently has five positions (director, office manager, editor, librarian, and library assistant/clerk). With the executive recommendation, Ohioana will only be able to fund four positions. The staffing levels for Ohioana have already been reduced in FY 2001. The agency had planned to reinstate the position of Educational Service Coordinator in FY 2004, and add the position of Volunteer Coordinator in FY 2005. The executive recommendations would not allow these positions to be added.

## ADDITIONAL FACTS AND FIGURES

Ohioana Library Association Staffing Levels						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	<i>Estimated</i>	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Board Members	28	28	28	28	28	28
Staff	6	6	5	5	4	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>

- Board members are not paid.

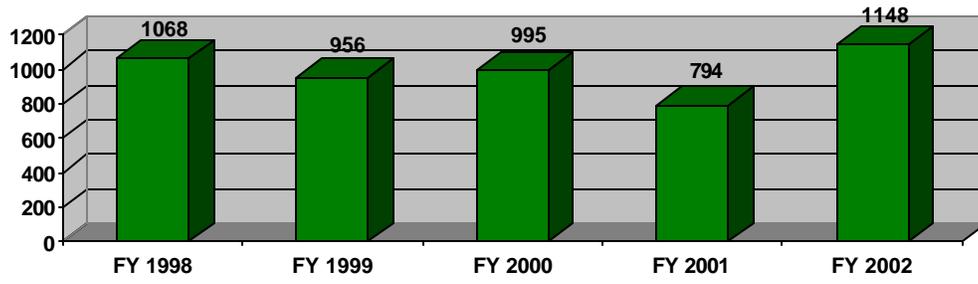
### Ohioana Library Statistics

Revenues, Expenditures, and Contributions					
Type of Funding	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002
State Funds	\$217,709	\$223,130	\$275,750	\$394,620	\$225,333
Private Funds	\$55,408	\$79,984	\$72,163	\$61,489	\$73,599
Total Spending	\$273,117	\$303,114	\$347,913	\$456,109	\$298,932
State % of Total Spending	79.7%	73.6%	79.3%	86.5%	75.4%
In-kind Contributions	\$32,115	\$37,500	\$25,752	\$27,486	\$29,110

- FY 2003 figures are estimates; all other numbers are actual revenues and expenditures;
- FY 2001 state funding includes funding provided for Ohioana's move to its new location;
- Ten years ago the state provided nearly 95% of Ohioana's funding. In 1990, the library committed itself to changing this ratio to 80:20. In FY 2002, state spending represented approximately 75% of Ohioana's funding.

New Members/Subscribers					
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002
New Members	71	55	52	51	104
All Members	1101	1158	1178	1175	1054
New as % of Total	6.4%	4.7%	4.4%	4.3%	9.9%

New Books Received



## **PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY LAW**

This section describes permanent and temporary law provisions contained in the executive budget that will affect the Association's activities and spending decisions during the next biennium.

There are no permanent or temporary law provisions with fiscal effects on this agency.

## REQUESTS NOT FUNDED

This section describes requests not funded in the executive budget and the effects on the Association's activities and spending decisions during the next biennium.

Ohioana Library Association – Library Subsidy						
Fund Line Item	FY 2004 Requested	FY 2004 Recommended	Difference	FY 2005 Requested	FY 2005 Recommended	Difference
GRF 355-501	\$242,603	\$215,036	(\$27,567)	\$266,864	\$215,036	(\$51,828)

The executive recommendations would result in a decline in the quality and quantity of the services provided as part of Ohioana's core program. No new additional positions would be allowed, and there could possibly be a reduction in staff.

## General Revenue Fund

### GRF 355-501 Library Subsidy

2000	2001	2002	2003 Estimate	2004 Executive Proposal	2005 Executive Proposal
\$275,750	\$398,461	\$225,333	\$215,035	<b>\$215,036</b>	<b>\$215,036</b>
	44.5%	-43.4%	-4.6%	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

**Source:** GRF

**Legal Basis:** ORC 3375.61

**Purpose:** The entire state subsidy for the Ohioana Library Association is contained in this line item. These funds are used to provide and expand its library services to the general public. The state subsidy represents 75 to 80 percent of the Ohioana's budget. The remaining funding for the agency comes from contributions, memberships, Ohioana magazine subscriptions, and in-kind contributions.

## LSC Budget Spreadsheet by Line Item, FY 2004 - FY 2005

<i>Fund</i>	<i>ALI</i>	<i>ALI Title</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>Estimated 2003</i>	<i>Executive 2004</i>	<i>% Change 2003 to 2004</i>	<i>Executive 2005</i>	<i>% Change 2004 to 2005</i>
<b><i>OLA Ohioana Library Association</i></b>								
GRF	355-501	Library Subsidy	\$ 225,333	\$215,035	\$ 215,036	0.0%	\$ 215,036	0.0%
<b>General Revenue Fund Total</b>			<b>\$ 225,333</b>	<b>\$ 215,035</b>	<b>\$ 215,036</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>\$ 215,036</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total All Budget Fund Groups</b>			<b>\$ 225,333</b>	<b>\$ 215,035</b>	<b>\$ 215,036</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>\$ 215,036</b>	<b>0.0%</b>