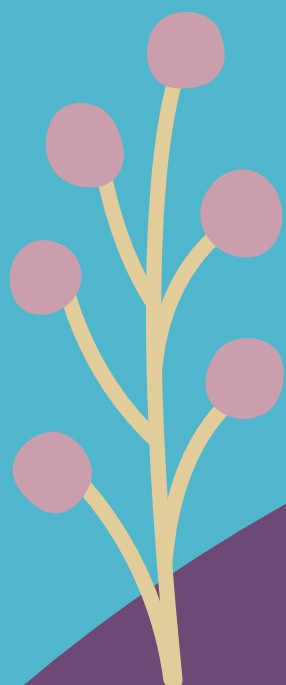


LIBRARY PUBLISHING COALITION

**Annual Report
2021-2022**



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

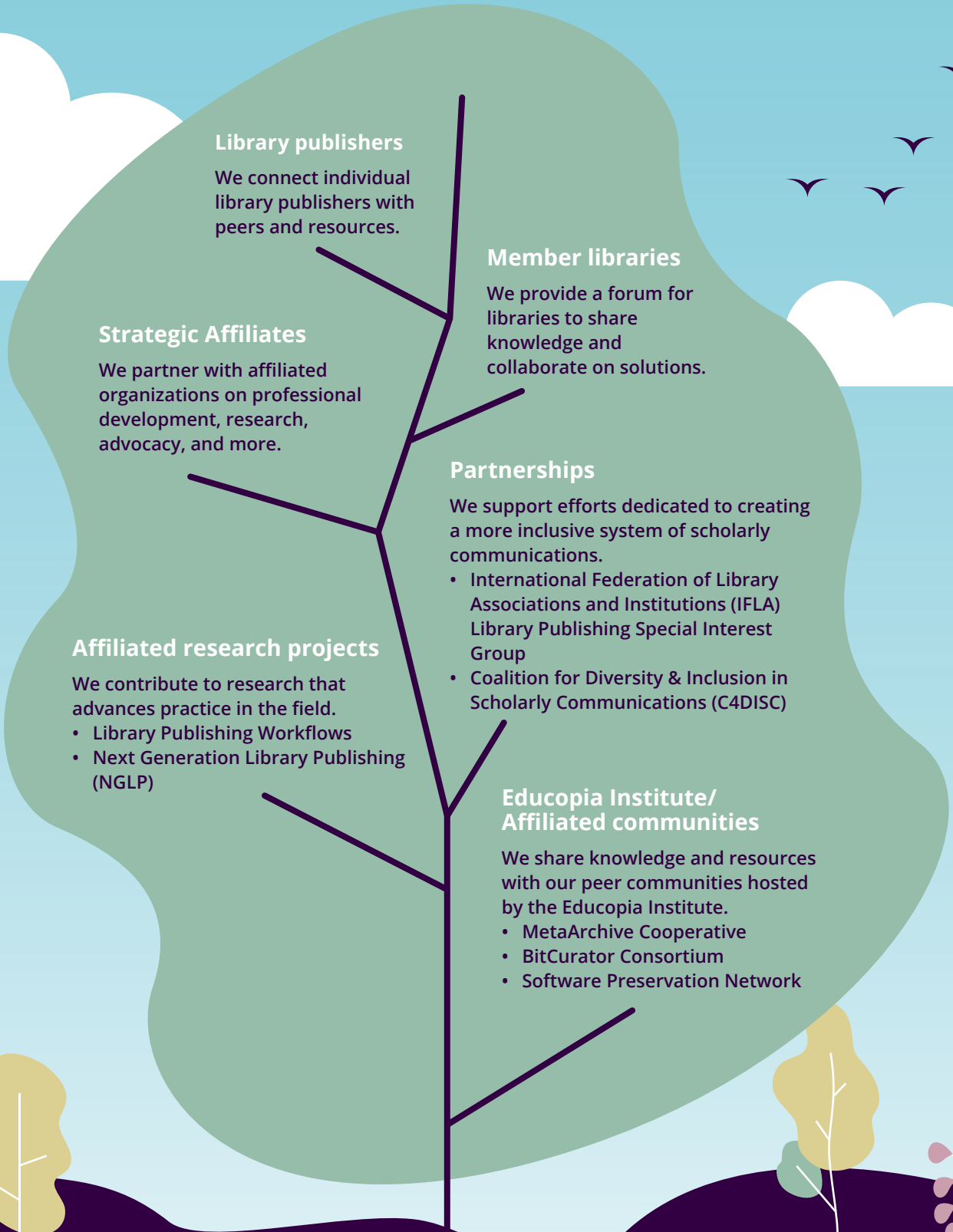
I write this as I am about to depart Pittsburgh following the return of the in-person Library Publishing Forum. What better time to reflect upon the past year! Through reconnecting with friends and colleagues during this year's in-person and virtual Forum sessions and in reviewing the accomplishments of the past year, we are reminded why the Library Publishing Coalition is a valuable global community and partner. The contributions and expertise of our members, our volunteers, our strategic affiliates, and our Board exemplify and illustrate this value. Further, the programmatic milestones and daily community facilitation would not be possible without the support and talent of LPC and Educopia staff. We are ever grateful for the leadership and service of Melanie Schlosser, Nancy Adams, and Brandon Locke.

As you read this year's Annual Report, you will get a snapshot of the accomplishments of the past year. Despite the pandemic and other challenges, the LPC Community continued to thrive, producing content, hosting events, and facilitating conversations. In particular, we want to highlight the release of the journal publishing workflow documentation as part of the Library Publishing Workflows project. This collaborative two-year endeavor produced various models of service from which library publishing programs can draw to better their processes and strengthen partnerships. We also celebrate another successful Documentation Month this past February. Finally, we extend thanks to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and their and other LPC stakeholders' work to direct the tasks outlined in the LPC Roadmap for Anti-Racist Practice.

We hope you enjoy this visual tour through the highlights of the past year. On behalf of the LPC Board, we thank you all for being a part of this robust and collegial community.

CHRISTINE FRUIN
Board President, 2021-2022





Library publishers

We connect individual library publishers with peers and resources.

Member libraries

We provide a forum for libraries to share knowledge and collaborate on solutions.

Strategic Affiliates

We partner with affiliated organizations on professional development, research, advocacy, and more.

Partnerships

We support efforts dedicated to creating a more inclusive system of scholarly communications.

- International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Library Publishing Special Interest Group
- Coalition for Diversity & Inclusion in Scholarly Communications (C4DISC)

Affiliated research projects

We contribute to research that advances practice in the field.

- Library Publishing Workflows
- Next Generation Library Publishing (NGLP)

Educopia Institute/ Affiliated communities

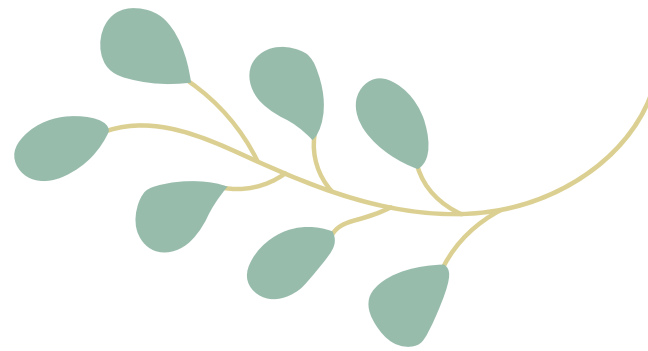
We share knowledge and resources with our peer communities hosted by the Educopia Institute.

- MetaArchive Cooperative
- BitCurator Consortium
- Software Preservation Network

CONNECTIONS

LPC members are connected with a wide network of peers, aligned organizations, collaborative communities, and generative projects. These connections support member libraries in their publishing work, advance the interests of the library publishing field, and increase alignment across professional communities.

MEMBERS



We welcome as members academic and research libraries and library consortia that have or are considering library publishing programs.

Our members:

- Atla
- Boston College
- California Digital Library
- California Polytechnic State University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Claremont Colleges Library
- Columbia University
- Cornell University
- Dartmouth College
- Dublin Business School
- Emory University
- Florida State University
- George Mason University
- Grand Valley State University
- Illinois Wesleyan University
- Indiana University
- Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
- Iowa State University
- James Madison University
- Kansas State University
- Library of Congress
- McGill University
- McMaster University
- Middle Tennessee State University
- Missouri State University
- Murray State University
- Northwestern University
- Ohio State University
- Pacific University
- Penn State University
- Pepperdine University
- Portland State University
- Private Academic Library Network of Indiana
- Purdue University
- Rutgers University
- San Francisco State University
- Simon Fraser University
- SUNY Geneseo
- Syracuse University
- Temple University
- Tulane University
- University College London (UCL) Libraries & UCL Press
- University of Alberta
- University of Arizona

- University of Arkansas
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Cincinnati
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Guelph
- University of Houston
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Iowa
- University of Louisville
- University of Massachusetts Amherst
- UMass Chan Medical School
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- University of Minnesota
- University of New Brunswick
- University of North Texas
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Ottawa
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of South Florida
- University of Tennessee
- University of Texas at Arlington
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington
- University of Western Ontario
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Villanova University
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Virginia Tech
- Wake Forest University
- Washington State University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Wayne State University

STRATEGIC AFFILIATES

We welcome as strategic affiliates peer membership organizations that are interested in alignment and collaboration. Our affiliates:

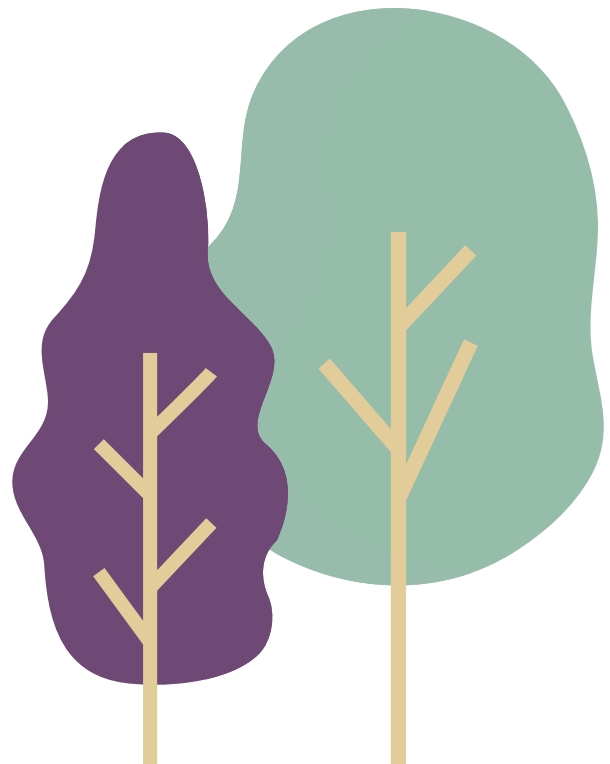
Association of Research Libraries (**ARL**), Association of University Presses (**AUPresses**), **CLOCKSS**, Coalition for Networked Information (**CNI**), Council of Editors of Learned Journals (**CELJ**), **Crossref**, Directory of Open Access Journals (**DOAJ**), **FORCE11**, **Jisc**, The Library Association of Ireland (**LAI**), **NASIG**, Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association (**OASPA**), Open Education Network (**OEN**), Public Knowledge Project (**PKP**), Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (**SPARC**), Society for Scholarly Publishing (**SSP**)

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

RESEARCH

Library Publishing Workflows: 2021-2022 saw the completion of Library Publishing Workflows, a three-year IMLS-funded (LG-36-19-0133-19) project of Educopia Institute, the Library Publishing Coalition, and twelve partner libraries. Starting in fall 2019, the Workflows project fostered conversations about the workflows library publishers use to publish journals, how libraries have developed their journal publishing services, and the major challenges they face in their day-to-day work. In addition to a series of reflection posts on the LPC blog, this year saw the release of two of the major project deliverables:

- a complete set of journal publishing workflow documentation for each of the twelve library partners
- the Library Publishing Workflows Documentation and Reflection Tools, a set of guides, reflection tools, worksheets, and other resources to aid library publishers in the documentation and assessment of their library publishing workflows.



TASK FORCES

LPC spins up time-limited task forces to tackle strategic and timely issues. We are very excited about the two that we started this year.

Preservation Task Force: Preservation of library-published materials is a major challenge for the field. This task force is investigating the preservation practices and needs of library publishers as well as the landscape of preservation-related projects and services that may be of interest to the field. The landscape scan has involved conversations with a wide variety of organizations, a number of which are LPC Strategic Affiliates (e.g., CLOCKSS, DOAJ, PKP, NASIG) or are connected with LPC through the Educopia Institute (e.g., MetaArchive Cooperative).

Ethical Framework Task Force: LPC published the original *An Ethical Framework for Library Publishing, Version 1.0* in 2018. Ethical issues in publishing have only become more prominent in the intervening years and the document was due for a refresh, so LPC created a task force to revisit it. Rather than just updating the original publication, this task force is engaged in a wholesale reimagining of how LPC engages in this space. They plan to release version 2.0 of *An Ethical Framework for Library Publishing* in 2023.

COLLABORATIONS

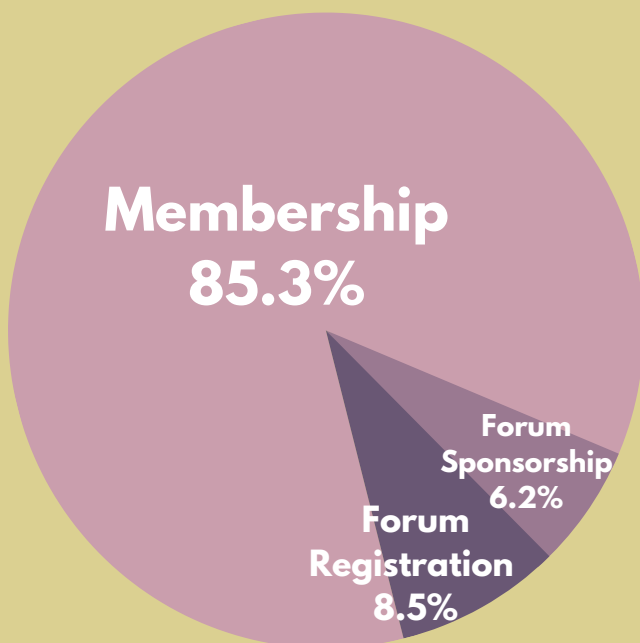
University-Based Publishing Futures: The past year saw the launch of a collaborative project between LPC, the Association of Research Libraries, and the Association of University Presses to build bridges between university-based publishing communities and envision a future of shared advocacy and strategic collaboration. The project consists of multiple phases, the first of which took place in spring of 2022. In it, each of the three communities held internal discussions to articulate its own publishing practices, priorities, and values as well as its relationship to the wider landscape of university-based publishing. Those discussions laid the groundwork for cross-community work during the 2022-2023 program year.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

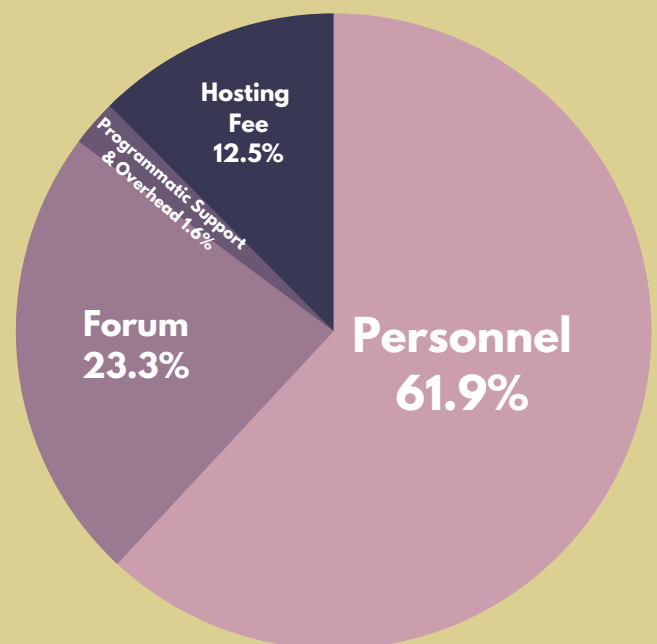
LPC's budget is a community asset that is allocated in alignment with our strategic priorities. Our finances are very healthy, and for FY22 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022) LPC's expenses were **\$160,582**. Revenue was **\$176,261** leaving a **\$15,679** surplus. Membership renewal was high despite a difficult year for libraries, and several categories of expenditures were much lower than normal (e.g., travel). Our annual conference, the Library Publishing Forum, is intended to be cost neutral and not a source of revenue. When a budget surplus results, it is added to our healthy financial reserve, which is in line with best practice guidelines for nonprofit organizations.



INCOME



EXPENSES



ABOUT LIBRARY PUBLISHING & THE LPC



Library publishing plays a key role in establishing a community-owned, community-led scholarly communication ecosystem.

While scholarly publishing is a core function of academia, the commercial companies that have traditionally controlled a majority of publications often hold values that run counter to those of the faculty whose work they publish. This includes the publication of content behind paywalls, which ties breadth of dissemination to profits. In efforts to better serve their parent institutions, faculty, and the common good, libraries began establishing publishing programs that support the publication needs and efforts of their institution while maximizing access to publications. While each library publishing program differs in its structure, goals, and focus, these programs build on the skills of librarians in scholarship, metadata, and publishing, and align with the values of their institutions, often prioritizing open access, open source software, and new and emerging publication types. This scaffolding and expertise ensure that those producing the scholarship have increased control over the production, publication, and ownership of their publications.

The Library Publishing Coalition aims to extend the impact and sustainability of library publishing and open scholarship by providing a professional forum for developing best practices and shared expertise. This independent, community-led membership association supports a community in which library publishing professionals can meet, work together, share information, and confront common issues in this emerging field and sponsors the development of key resources that strengthen not only members but also the library publishing community at large.