

**AH-1 KYVL
Kentucky Virtual Library Report
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Budget News –

For the first time ever, KYVL's 6 Year Capital Plan request is ranked the #1 capital plan request by the Council on Postsecondary Education, its parent agency. While that doesn't mean the request will manifest into a biennial budget request, it does show how the CPE views the work of KYVL and the importance of libraries to career and college readiness.

In May, KYVL Director and coworkers from CPE were available to the Commonwealth Office of Technology [COT] Capital Planning Review Board for a question & answer session. The COT Capital Projects recommendations were released in mid-July. The CPE #1 priority, KYVL - \$16.8m and CPE #4 priority, KyRON - \$4.25m are being recommended to Capital Planning Advisory Board [CPAB] as "High Value" projects.

Per Allen Lind: "There were 51 projects submitted to COT for \$419m. Of these, 18 projects (2 of which are restricted funds and 2 more a mixture of restricted funds and general funds) for \$125m are being recommended as "High Value." CPE then is 2 of the 18 HV projects and 17% of the recommended project budgets (general and restricted funds combined)."

The new KYVL Alliance will plan a strategy for preparing the advocacy tools and taking forward the most urgent items within the \$16 million request for the upcoming legislative session.

KY Virtual Library Infrastructure Rebuild \$16,850,000

Brief Description/Justification:

The Kentucky Virtual Library, created as a result of the historic 1997 HB1 Higher Education Reform Act, has been proven to be an extraordinary success in bringing colleges and universities, schools and public libraries together to lower costs and improve efficiencies through joint purchasing and shared resources. Through the KYVL, Kentucky has been able to expand access to library services and resources for millions of students and Kentucky citizens at a fraction of what it would have cost had the libraries gone at it alone.

The value of KYVL increases each year due to the growing demand for all types (text, photographs, audio, and video) of digital resources by all levels of education, businesses and citizens. KYVL is available to all Kentuckians and regularly serves over 1.8 million people from the 1,500 designated locations of its 400 dues paying member organizations. Through its economies of scale, KYVL is highly cost efficient and effective, and it ensures equity of access for all to its valuable resources. Unfortunately while advances in technology have allowed KYVL to do more with less, growing demand and budget reductions are eroding the impact and effectiveness of the system.

The request would address critical KYVL infrastructure and database needs in the following areas:

- * Electronic Research Databases
- * Kentuckiana Digital Library
- * Learning Depot
- * Hardware Systems Upgrades
- * Interlibrary Loan System
- * Interactive Library Tools
- * Institutional Repositories
- * Portable Training Lab Hardware/Software

Contact Enid Wohlstein for a copy of this request.

KYVL Strategic Planning

The KYVL Strategic Planning Steering Team and the KYVL staff continue to work on implementation of the KYVL Strategic Plan Fiscal Years 2010-2011 through 2012-2013. Members have been selected and/or appointed for the following permanent committees:

- KYVL Alliance. The Alliance acts in an advisory capacity on all issues of importance for KYVL, advocates for advancement of KYVL, communicates regularly with constituent groups seeking input when appropriate, and meets approximately three times per year.
- KYVL Leadership Team. The Leadership Team manages the KYVL strategic plan; reports to and acts on charges from the KYVL Alliance; commissions, decommissions, and coordinates committees and work groups; serves as an active team that works closely with KYVL staff on KYVL operations and initiatives; and meets monthly or more frequently as needed.
- KYVL Funding Work Group. The work group reviews and refines the current KYVL member assessment formula annually to support achievement of adequate funding and sustainability.
- KYVL Marketing will facilitate the promotion of KYVL via implementation of a comprehensive Public Relations/Marketing Plan.
- KYVL Training is assigned the creation of a plan for KYVL training, including scheduling and delivery, that will increase the number of trainers available and will include a variety of customized and targeted training options in different venues to meet the needs of specific audiences.

Additional information about these groups may be found on the KYVL web page by clicking on the **About** link at the top of the page and then **Strategic Planning** in the **More about KYVL** box or by following this link: <http://www.kyvl.org/strategicplanning/>. This will take you to the link for the **KYVL Strategic Plan FY2010-2011 through FY2012-2013** and the **Reorganization** link.

The **Reorganization** document gives a general overview of the new structure as well as detail about each of the groups. As implementation of the strategic plan continues

additional work groups will be formed and existing work groups will be moved into the new structure.

Strong leadership and participation from the membership will be key to the success of KYVL in the future.

July 8th Orientation for New Committees

On July 8th, 2011, KYVL held a Transition and Orientation meeting for the KYVL Alliance and Leadership Teams. The first half of the day, there were introductions and an overview of KYVL and update on current news, then a review of the KYVL Strategic Plan (including new organizational structure) and a discussion of the KYVL campaign for upcoming legislative session.

The second half of the day was a celebration in the afternoon for all those involved the last two years. Sheree Huber Williams, Director of Library Services, Jefferson Community & Technical College. Remarks were made by:

- Lee Nimocks, Chief of Staff, Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE)
- Wayne Onkst, State Librarian and Commissioner, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives and
- Allen Lind, VP for Technology & eLearning, CPE

Enid Wohlstein, KYVL Director, presented engraved sterling silver mint julep cups to the Steering Team in appreciation of their countless hours of work on the strategic planning. She also distributed letters of recognition.

The orientation packet and powerpoint can be found at:
<http://www.kyvl.org/strategicplanning/about/materials>

Pictures of the event and the presentations, as well as the KYVL cake, can be found on the Kentucky Virtual Library Facebook page.

Interim Joint Committee on Education

On August 1st, President King, Dean Terry Birdwhistell, Chancellor Jay Box and Allen Lind will present on “Kentucky Virtual Campus and Distance Learning Initiative” in front of the Interim Joint Committee on Education at 1pm.

Kentucky Virtual Library was a part of that presentation, with Dean Birdwhistell speaking on behalf of KYVL as the chair of the KYVL Alliance. We were able to include handouts in the packet to the IJCE legislators and put forth some highlights re: KYVL in the presentation slides. This was an excellent opportunity to bring KYVL forward as an integral part of the support services for academic achievement and college/career readiness in Kentucky.



KYVL Supports Kentucky

Kentucky Virtual Library has expanded access to library services and resources for millions of students and Kentucky citizens at a fraction of the retail, single purchase pricing libraries would have paid on their own. KYVL also acts on behalf of its 400 dues-paying member organizations to facilitate training, resource sharing and interlibrary loan, and to raise awareness of the value of library services to education, business and the citizenry.

31.5 million searches of the KYVL databases

conducted by all member libraries for FY2010-11

768,617 articles

downloaded from education, engineering, medical and small business publications during FY2010-11

2.8 million searches

conducted by Kentucky's K-12 students from 111 participating districts in KYVL databases during FY2010-11

1.3 million historical artifacts

made freely available in Kentuckiana Digital Library since 1999, preserving Kentucky's community and cultural memory

1.2 million books, articles, kits, & multimedia

delivered by the KYVL courier service since 2000. This includes lab kits for distance learners, KET kits for early childhood providers' training, and thousands of book discussion kits for all ages and communities.

29% average annual increase

in the KYVL database searches every year since 1999

166.2 million searches

in the KYVL databases since 1999

\$5.7 million in shipping costs saved

by the Kentucky state library, public and academic libraries sharing resources with the Commonwealth. KYVL provides dedicated courier delivery to 445 stops and 187 locations.

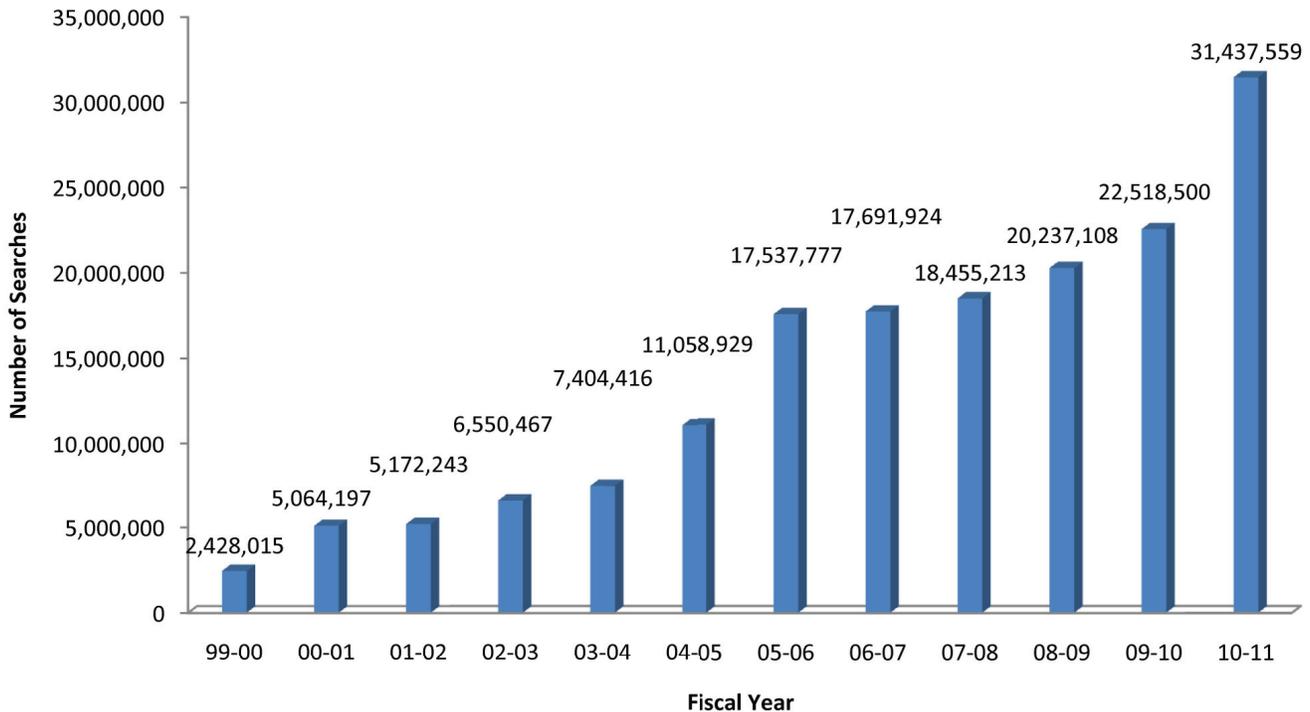
\$15 million saved

by universities and colleges, state agencies and other organizations sharing the KYVL Library Management System. KYVL negotiated rates at one quarter the retail implementation and startup fees.

KYVL value to the Commonwealth for the research databases provided:

Without KYVL:	With KYVL:
\$20 per postsecondary student	\$3 per postsecondary student
37 cents per postsecondary search	4 cents per postsecondary search
\$12.50 per K12 student	49 cents per K12 student
\$3.26 per K12 search	13 cents per K12 search
\$1.47 per public library cardholder	13 cents per public library cardholder
\$6 per public library search	50 cents per public library search

**Increase in KYVL Use
Over Time**



**KYVL coordinates a 90% savings for databases.
That's \$10 of resources for every \$1 spent by KYVL towards
databases, FY2010-11.**