QUALITY NEWS FOR STRONG MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERATE CITIES: LIBRARIANS AND JOURNALISTS WORKING TO CHALLENGE FAKE NEWS

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KNOW NEWS: ENGAGING WITH MIS- AND DISINFORMATION

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Agenda:

- Inventory and Inform
- Integrate and Incorporate
- Innovate and Initiate





DAY ONE: TAKE-AWAYS

Cognition – Community Credibility – Context –
Capitalism - Crisis

Build our community of practice to serve our communities in current context, perhaps a crisis of cognition, by communicating our collective contribution





PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT: LIBRARIES AS LIVING LABORATORIES



OUTCOMES: PROPOSALS & PRESS RELEASES





FINDINGS RE: STANDARDS, PRACTICES, & VALUES ACROSS FIELDS: CONVERGENCES

Librarians, journalists, and allied professionals are all concerned with:

- The quality of information and signaling authority and credibility
- Building trust
- Balancing transparency and perspective without bias
- Impacts of market pressures on content
- Connecting communities with information, and educating people
- Creating space for civic and civil discourse

FINDINGS RE: STANDARDS, PRACTICES, & VALUES ACROSS FIELDS: DIVERGENCES

- Public libraries are unique as publicly funded spaces
- The record: correcting vs. preserving
- Difference of sources: people vs. documents
- Meaning of neutrality some suggested other words: fair, even-handed, openminded
- Relationship to information: providing access vs. making public vs. creating safe and private spaces for exploration
- Preserving intellectual freedom: the right to access misinformation
- Is our role to expand movements?
- Some allied professions favor technology/AI solutions; most journalists and librarians seem to favor human solutions

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