



# PRESS RELEASE

## INLANDSHARE LIBRARY GROUP FORMS AS CIN WINDS DOWN

After decades of collaboration, the Cooperative Information Network (CIN) will officially dissolve on September 30, 2025, following ongoing legal and operational challenges that made it increasingly difficult for member libraries to work together under the existing framework.

In response, a group of libraries has come together to form a new consortium: the InlandShare Library Group (ILG). Guided by shared values of access, collaboration, and community service, ILG will continue the tradition of resource sharing while building a sustainable model for the future.

### **Founding ILG members include:**

- Clarkia Public Library
- Coeur d'Alene Public Library
- Kellogg Public Library
- Liberty Lake Library
- Mullan Library
- Osburn Public Library
- Pend Oreille County Library District (Calispel Valley, Lone, Metalines, Newport)
- Plummer Public Library
- Priest Lake Public Library
- Silver Hills Library
- St. Maries Public Library
- Wallace High School Library
- Wallace Public Library
- West Bonner Library District (Blanchard & Priest River)

Together, these libraries will continue to share print and digital resources, ensuring patrons benefit from a broad and diverse collection. The Community Library Network (CLN) and the Benewah County Free Library District will now operate independently.

## **What Patrons Need to Know**

Beginning August 1, 2025:

- Holds between networks (ILG, CLN, and Benewah) will be turned off. Patrons can place holds and pick up items only within their own network.
- Library Closure: Liberty Lake Library will be closed on September 29 and 30 to transition to its new ILS (Integrated Library System).
- October 1 Transition: All networks will move to fully independent systems.

## **Digital Resources**

The future of CIN's shared Libby/OverDrive collection is still being finalized. The collection will be divided among the new networks, with each group determining how to manage its digital offerings.

Our Washington residents can continue to access digital materials through Washington Anytime Libraries on the Libby App.

## **Library Cards**

- For those not residing in InlandShare Library Group's boundaries, beginning October 1, non-resident cards will be available for \$30 per year.
- Spokane County Residents: No changes to our reciprocal agreement with the county have been made. Residents and property owners in jurisdictions within Spokane County Library District will continue to receive a Liberty Lake Library Card for free. This card provides access to the library's physical collection.

## **Interlibrary Loan (ILL)**

ILL services will remain available at participating libraries, though policies may be updated. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

## **Questions?**

Patrons are encouraged to contact the library for more information about our services, policies, and upcoming changes.

## **Library Hours**

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Sunday: Closed

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