

## **MOBIUS Consortium**

# A Valuable Partnership

**MOBIUS is a vibrant, collaborative partnership of libraries providing access to shared information resources, services, and expertise.**

### **Resources**

Tap into the larger buying power of the Consortium and keep up-to-date on new technologies and services:

A common Integrated Library Services platform enables efficiencies ranging from eliminating cataloging overlaps to optimizing resource discovery, as well as shared system costs, resulting in major operational savings.

Shared technical infrastructure for the Integrated Library System eliminates the need to manage a server.

Supplement local collections with access to a user-initiated resource sharing system of over 60 million items from academic, special, and public libraries in Missouri, Colorado, Iowa, Texas, and Oklahoma at a cost of about \$1.00 per item.

A courier system provides access to over a thousand libraries in the Midwest at a cost of about \$0.83 per item, with delivery in 3 to 4 days.

Cost-effective shared e-book collections available only to consortium members.

### **Services & Expertise**

Personalized, professional support:

MOBIUS staff provide on-site training, tailored to the needs of each library, on demand and at no extra cost. Library vendors can charge thousands of dollars for such services.

Expert, personal service from the MOBIUS Help Desk saves member library staff time and provides a level of service above and beyond a library vendor.

Help Desk staff manage data loads, product implementations, and general system functions so that member library staff are free to provide more services to users.

Discounts are available to members on Electronic Resources, saving money through shared contracts - all provided by an expert who manages, advocates, and negotiates contracts and discounts on behalf of the membership.

### **Collaboration**

Sharing knowledge and working together to get more done - creating a true cost-saving collaborative environment equalizing service for all:

Collaborative opportunities at all levels is provided through discussion lists, committees, task forces, and the annual conference. The consortial environment fills a major skill and capacity gap beyond the reach of individual libraries, as large institutions provide expertise and assistance to smaller ones.

The MOBIUS Annual Conference, which features national keynote speakers, is **free** to all member library staff, providing a venue where library staff can present, share expertise, and gain valuable professional development.

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