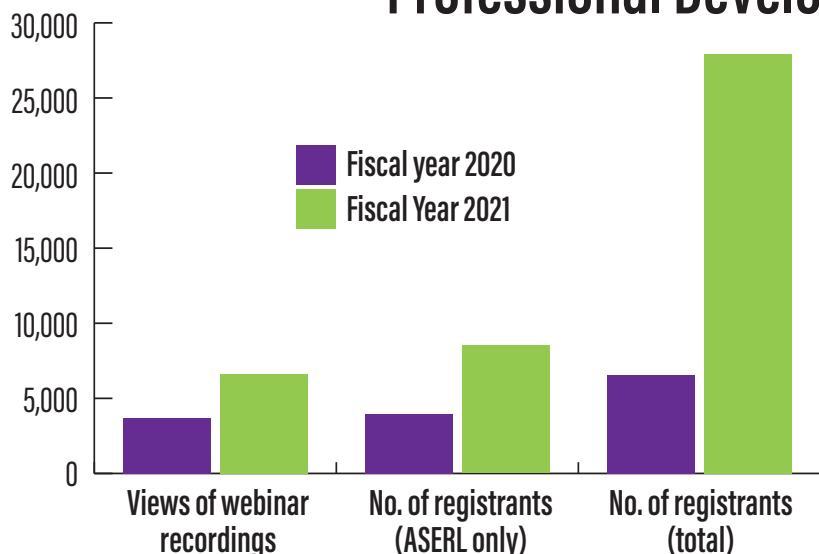




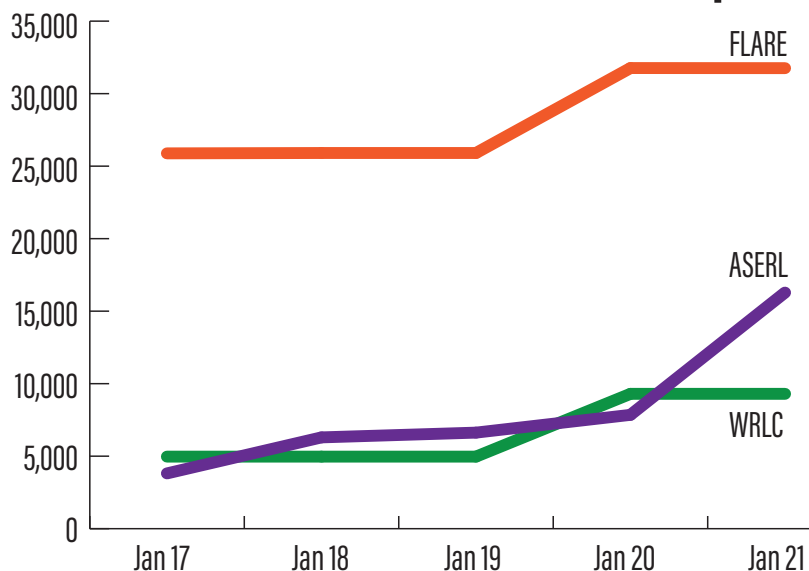
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## Professional Development Excellence



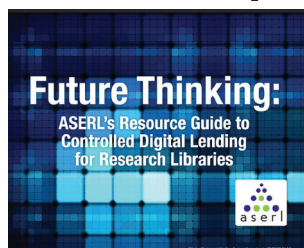
- ASERL has established national leadership in Professional Development for research libraries, with an emphasis on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) topics
- In 2020-21, the number of webinars offered by ASERL nearly doubled from previous year
- More than 34,000 people registered, attended, or viewed our webinars, from around the globe
- DEI-related sessions attract the largest audiences

## Careful Stewardship of Print Collections



- Of ASERL's 37 member libraries, 33 are retaining legacy print journals for the long term, ensuring preservation and access of the scholarly record
- Journal retention commitments among ASERL libraries has quadrupled over the past four years
- Together, ASERL, WRLC and FLARE comprise the Scholars Trust alliance
- Scholars Trust is a founding partner in the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance, a federation of leading Shared Print programs in North America

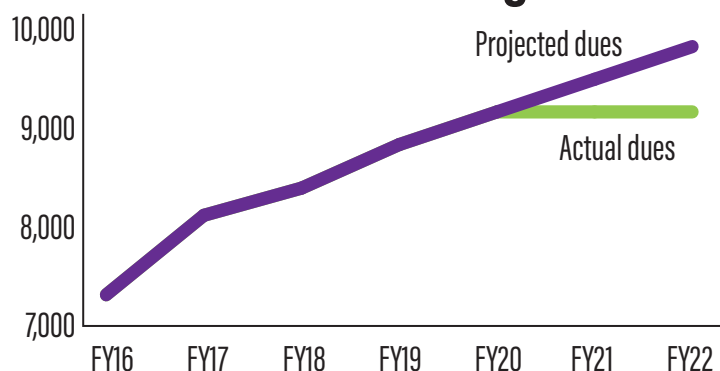
## Exploring New Ways to Share Resources



- In February 2021, ASERL published "Future Thinking: A Resource Guide to Controlled Digital Lending for Research Libraries"
- "Future Thinking" serves as a bridge between the foundational legal justifications for Controlled Digital Lending (CDL) and new, emerging how-to programs

# Additional Highlights

## Financial Strength



- ASERL has a long history of careful stewardship of our members' monies
- When the pandemic struck, ASERL froze its dues - keeping them flat for three years, despite unprecedented program growth
- ASERL maintains approximately one year of Operating Costs in our financial reserves

## Partnering for Success



- ASERL is a founding partner of the Library Accessibility Alliance, providing new resources for libraries seeking to improve access to content and services for all users

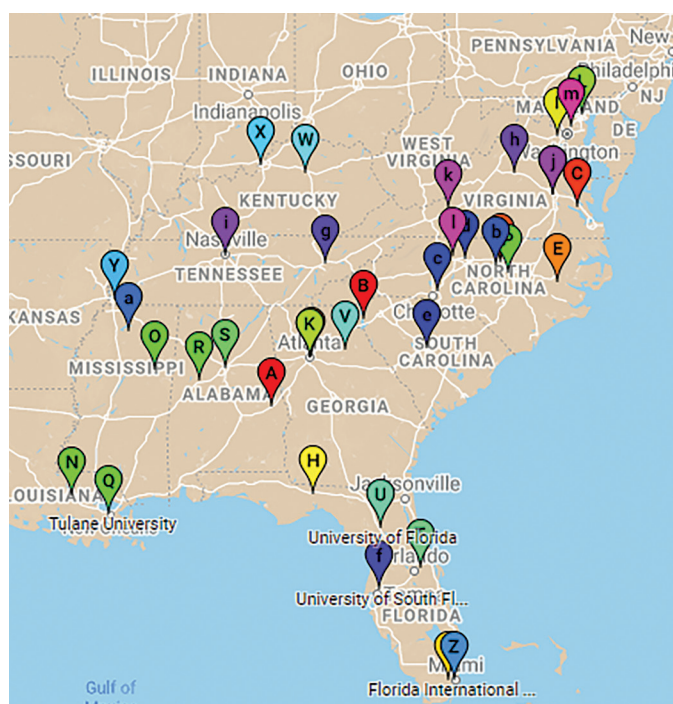


- Retention commitments within the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance is nearing 200,000 journal titles, creating the largest shared collection of print journals in the world



- ASERL partnered with the Directory of Open Access Journals, providing more than \$22K in savings to our members in 2020-21

## Where are ASERL Libraries?



## Unprecedented Access to Unique Digital Content

- Despite a global pandemic, ASERL libraries successfully completed the largest group-purchasing program in our history, in partnership with Adam Matthew Digital
- Eighteen ASERL libraries contributed to the campaign goal which unlocked more than 2,100 AMD products awarded to nearly every ASERL library



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