

2025

VIRTUAL WINTER WORKSHOP

EVENT REPORT





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SUMMARY

Every year, the CLiC Virtual Winter Workshop brings together library staff from across Colorado and beyond. The 2025 Workshop showcased speakers who helped people feel connected with each other, energized by new ideas, and inspired to use this learning.

Throughout the conference, library staff were encouraged to share experiences, perhaps collaborate on solutions, and leave with a renewed sense of purpose. Virtual Winter Workshop strengthens connections among rural libraries, providing staff with both the inspiration and resources needed to tackle the unique challenges they face.

Conference Highlights

- The most attended session, "Taking the Challenge Out of Library Challenges" by Lea Chisum, focused on strategies for handling requests to remove books from library collections. The session offered insights into how library policy is the best preparation for challenges, including practical tools for responding effectively to challenges and fostering a stronger understanding of how to protect intellectual freedom.
- The conference connects and inspires library staff not only in Colorado but across the country, with speakers and attendees from 27 states.
- One goal for 2025 was to increase the content offered. With a 31% increase in proposals over 2024 it meant more sessions to choose from.
- Did you have a hard time choosing which sessions to attend? Recordings are available for one year.
- The planning team works hard to improve the conference every year. The
 attention to offering what libraries need is reflected in this comment, "I think
 this was one of the best years with topics that were current and helpful."

The entire CLiC Team is committed to bringing YOU practical and inspiring content.

See you in 2026!

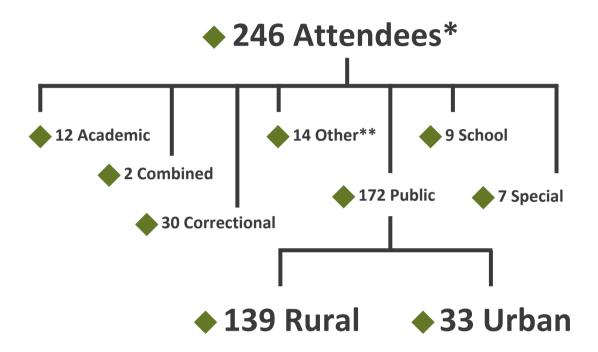
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REGISTRATION HIGHLIGHTS



^{*}Not including Presenters

^{**}State Library Agencies and other organizations



325 Total Attendees + Presenters



27 States

19% of our attendees and presenters came from outside Colorado, representing 27 states!



Public Libraries

Of all our attendees and presenters, 66% came from public libraries.



79 Presenters

26% came from rural/small public libraries41% came from urban libraries and organizations



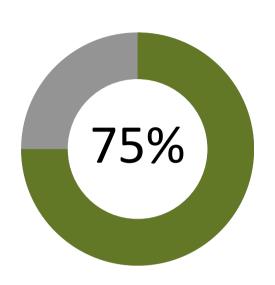


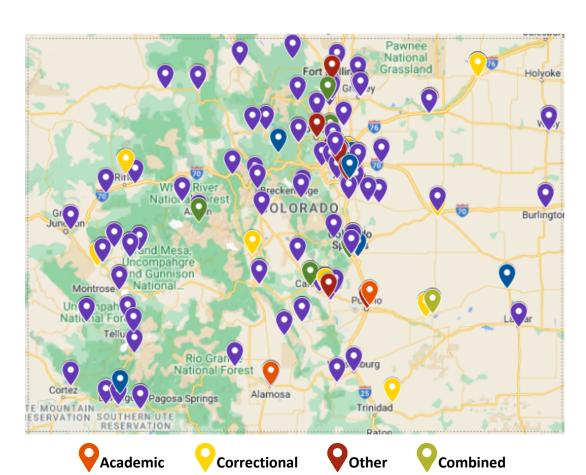
POPULATION SERVED

Rural and Small



75% of all attendees support rural or small libraries and communities.















TOP 10

MOST POPULAR SESSIONS

60

Taking the Challenge Out of Library Challenges

49

Here's the thing: A Successful Library of Things Redesign

46

Difficult Patron Behavior and the Law

38

Roll for Initiative - Gaming at Your Library*

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"Teens Don't Read" or Do They? 21st Century Teen Literacy 50

Bold but Kind: The Balance of Assertive Communication

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Personal & Situational Awareness at Work-You're Responsible

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Grab & Go Craft Kits*

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New Year, New Books 2025!

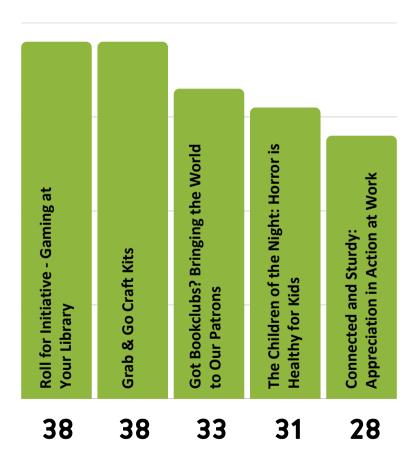
^{*}Microlearning Moment



TOP 5

MOST POPULAR MICROLEARNING MOMENTS

These 15-minute presentations continue to be a big hit with both presenters and attendees. Short and sweet sessions doled out lots of learning, innovative ideas, and tangible action steps.



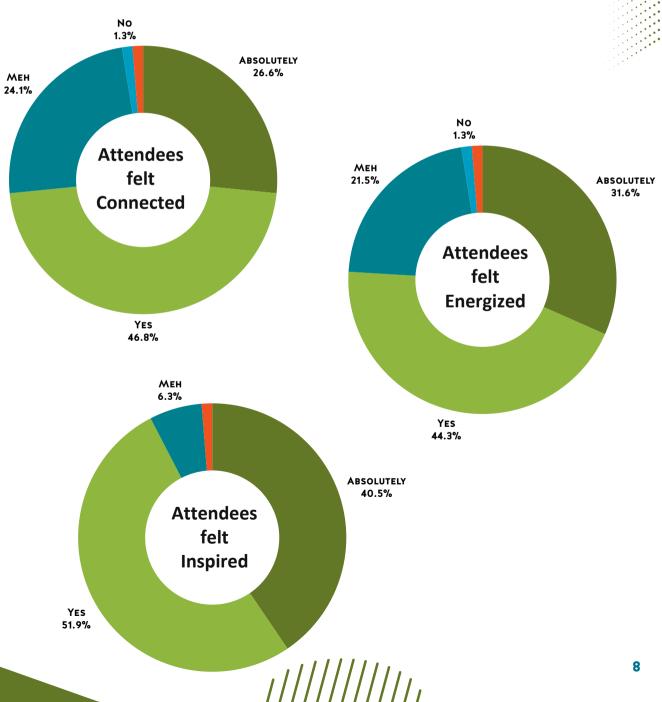




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RESULTS FROM POST-EVENT SURVEY

We had 79 survey responses, which is a 24% response rate.

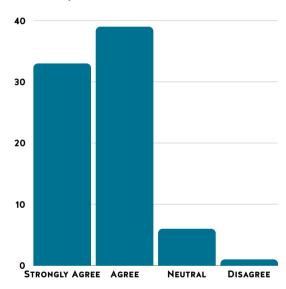




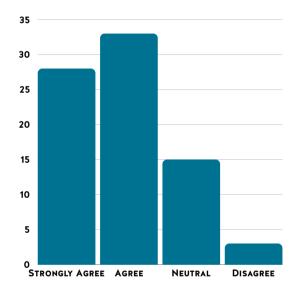
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RESULTS FROM POST-EVENT SURVEY

Attendee learning was enhanced by the knowledge of the presenters.



Attendees will be able to apply what they learned immediately in their jobs.



"All of the presenters whose sessions I attended were highly knowledgeable and presented their material in a clear and concise manner."

-2025 Attendee

"The presenters did a great job of conveying the material, and including the audience in active participation."

-2025 Attendee

"The Readers Advisory panel gave me a great idea to provide book suggestions, read-a-likes and program/resources promotion which I can definitely use immediately."

-2025 Attendee

"I have already signed up for displays based on the Kids Horror presentation." -2025 Attendee





SATISFACTION

COMMENTS FROM ATTENDEES

"The energy was contagious - it is always welcome to see like minded individuals enjoying and celebrating our profession!"

-2025 Attendee

"During the workshops it felt like a warm, safe community of librarians. I have several projects related to the workshops that I attended and I feel inspired to continue them."

-2025 Attendee

"I very much appreciated the mix of new ideas along with the informational offerings...I learned something new in every session with practical tips to take away."

-2025 Attendee

"I loved the...general vibe? Presentations were professional without feeling too formal, great content and information with out complexity overwhelm."

-2025 Attendee

"Thank you! I appreciate the work that goes into this conference, and it seems like it gets better each year- while remaining affordable. This makes it easy to send lots of staff, and the asynchronous nature of it makes it so there's no stress about attending if your schedule doesn't exactly match."

-2025 Attendee

"I think this was one of the best years with topics that were current and helpful."

-2025 Attendee

"It was difficult to choose what to attend because all of the presenters were amazing!"

-2025 Attendee

"I want to transfer to a Colorado library system now!"

-2025 Attendee

