The Federal Depository Library Program in the 21st Century

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The Federal Depository Library Program – Pre-Digital

- Receiving print materials, later microfiche
- Organizing, maintaining, later cataloging
- Providing access
- Furnishing assistance
Era of Change in Depository Libraries

- Transition to digital
- Space issues
- Staffing
Major Issues

- Preservation
- Access
  - Virtual
  - Physical
  - Cataloging
- Education
The Future Federal *Information Access* Library Program

- Focus on access
- State/regional coordination
- Some smaller libraries may be online only
- Certain libraries/institutions concentrate on cataloging/metadata, digitization, harvesting, hosting, preservation, and possibly other
• Questions?
• Comments?