American Social History Online

This wiki site for the Digital Library Federation Aquifer project is hosted by the Indiana University Libraries for historical purposes. The DLF Aquifer project ran from 2003-2009 and created a web site known as *American Social History Online*, later *American History Online*. That website is no longer available.

The DLF Aquifer initiative is pleased to share with the digital library research community various products of our work that we believe will have use outside the project:

- **Metadata Working Group Public Documents**
  - Guidelines
  - Digital Library Federation / Aquifer Implementation Guidelines for Shareable Metadata and release notes, describing how MODS should be used for sharing metadata for use in the Aquifer initiative
  - MODS Guidelines Levels of Adoption, connecting recommendations from the *Guid elines* to functions the Aquifer initiative would like to support
  - FAQ for MODS Guidelines Implementers
  - Data Processing for Aquifer Records
  - Tools
  - MARC to Aquifer MODS XSLT Stylesheet
  - MODS Asset Action Explorer
  - Reports
  - Lessons Learned (TinyURL: http://tinyurl.com/dlfaquifermwg)
  - DLF Aquifer Metadata Institutional Survey Report
  - Report on MODS Levels of Adoption Conformance Across Repositories
  - Future Directions in Metadata Remediation for Metadata Aggregators
  - Background and Draft Notes
  - ContentDM to Aquifer MODS
  - EAD to Aquifer MODS
  - Zotero to Aquifer MODS
- **Technology Working Group Public Documents**
  - Technology/Architecture Policies and Principles
  - Framework for implementation
    - Framework Figure 1
    - Framework Figure 2
  - Architecture Overview
  - Database Diagram
  - Asset Action Project
- **Services Working Group Public Documents**
- **Presentations and Workshops**
  - DLF Fall Forum 2008 Workshop on MODS and Asset Actions
- **Links to Additional Resources**
  - Log a bug or feature request on our Sourceforge account
  - Glossary of Terms, Aquifer Context
  - Aquifer Blogs
    - Aquifer Group
    - Kat Hagedorn
    - Susan Harum
    - Chick Markley

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DLF Aquifer is a Digital Library Federation initiative. Our purpose is to promote effective use of distributed digital library content for teaching, learning, and research in the area of American culture and life. We support scholarly discovery and access by:

- Developing schemas, protocols and communities of practice to make digital content available to scholars and students where they do their work
- Developing the best possible systems for finding, identifying and using digital resources in context by:
  - promoting digital library best practices and
  - developing tools and services to improve digital resource access and use.

The Digital Library Federation (DLF) tested a model for transitioning products and services from development to sustainability with DLF Aquifer. The attached prospectus describes Aquifer products and services. A transition is now in process for *American Social History Online* software and services to be sustained at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. As the Digital Library Federation itself is folded in to the Council on Library and Information Resources, other elements of the DLF Aquifer community may be integrated into the CLIR program.