RECOLLECTION WISCONSIN SERVICE HUB CHARTER

Wisconsin’s Service Hub for the Digital Public Library of America has been established to bring together the riches of Wisconsin’s libraries, archives and museums and make them freely available to the world.

Guiding Principles

**Access:** We believe that access to information has the power to enrich the lives of all the people of Wisconsin; therefore, we will work towards the free and open availability of Wisconsin’s cultural heritage collections.

**Collaboration:** We believe that we can achieve more as a community than separately; therefore, we will pursue collaborative opportunities and partnerships that allow us expand and innovate.

**Sustainability:** We believe our mission should be undertaken with the goal of long-term significance and value to the people of Wisconsin; therefore, we will proactively pursue diverse and sustainable funding sources.

Commitment of Partners

In order to maintain and advance the Recollection Wisconsin Service Hub, each Governing Partner agrees to the following:

1. Make a substantive, ongoing contribution of staff time, expertise, technology infrastructure or other resources to help sustain Service Hub operations.
2. Play a statewide leadership role in advocating for the adoption of standards and best practices.
3. Work together to ensure transparent and timely communication and decision making.
4. Actively engage with diverse communities and organizations to provide avenues for access to a broad range of cultural heritage resources.

The signatories below have agreed to work together to develop and maintain the Recollection Wisconsin Service Hub for the Digital Public Library of America, and do hereby adopt this Charter to accomplish these purposes.

**Marquette University**

**Milwaukee Public Library**

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**

**University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee**

**Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction**

**Wisconsin Historical Society**