Enabling Open Government for All: A Road Map for Public Libraries

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This report presents the results of a year-long partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and public library and open government experts. The project focused on responding to a growing question about how efforts to open government are influencing, and possibly changing, the role of public libraries in their communities. The report offers six recommendations about leveraging past practices and ensuring a future role for public libraries in the expanding open government agenda emerged from the research and expert meetings. In addition, the report provides two resources to support these recommendations and to help public libraries get started in building their open government agenda.