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# WHAT'S TRENDING IN LIBRARIES

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## FUNDING

### Connect to Innovate - Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

The Connect to Innovate program will invest \$500 million by 2021, to bring high-speed Internet to rural and remote communities in Canada. In these communities, challenging geography and smaller populations present barriers to private sector investment in building, operating and maintaining infrastructure.

This program will support new "backbone" infrastructure to connect institutions like schools and hospitals with a portion of funding for upgrades and "last-mile" infrastructure to households and businesses. Canadians will have the opportunity to innovate and participate in our economy, democracy and way of life using new digital tools and cutting-edge services like tele-health and tele-learning.

**Application deadline is Apr. 20.**

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### You are invited to attend OLA's 116th Annual General Meeting and Luncheon

**When:** Friday June 9, 2017, 12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Lunch will be served.

**Where:** In-person: OCAD University, 100 McCaul Street, Toronto

Online: Details will be sent upon registration for virtual participants

**What:** The Annual General Meeting is the opportunity to present the business of the association to the members for review and approval. Usual items include the president and

## NEWS

### NEW: OLA Information Briefs

Click on the link below to access Information Briefs on: E-Resources for Ontario's Public, School and Academic Libraries; and Accessible Services in and Equitable Access to Public Library Service for People Who Have a Print Disability.

OLA has worked with partnering organizations and our members to create information briefs that explain current issues faced by Ontario's libraries. We encourage our members to use these briefs to:

- Stay informed on current issues facing the library sector
- Advocate with local government and within your community for improved library services

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