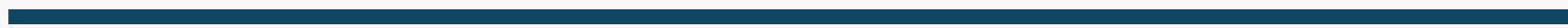


*Overview of
Library System & Trustee Role*

NFLS Trustee Training

March 2025



Library Systems are state-funded organizations



**Cost effective & efficient
access to services**



Support & expertise



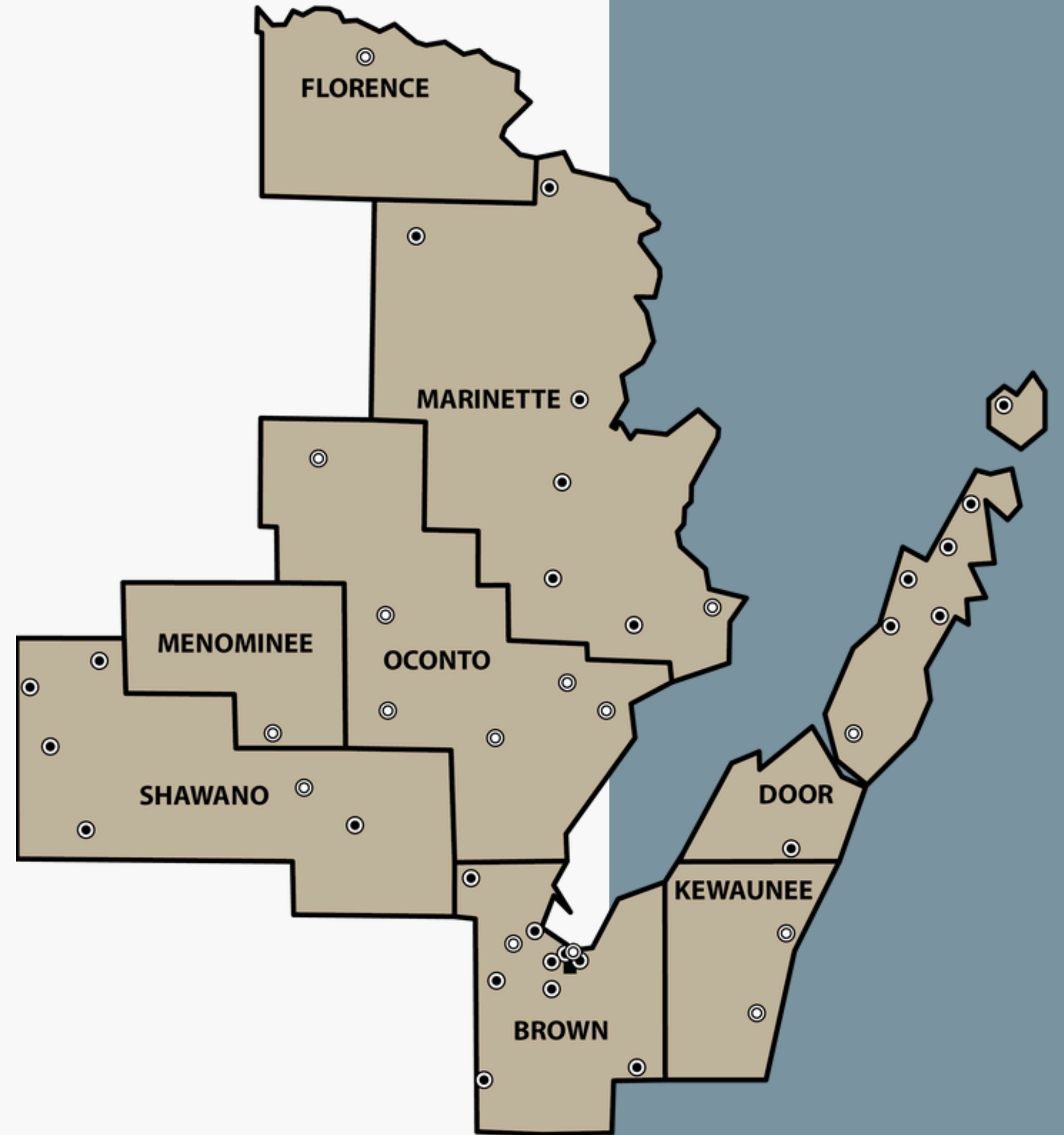
**Resource-sharing &
collaboration**



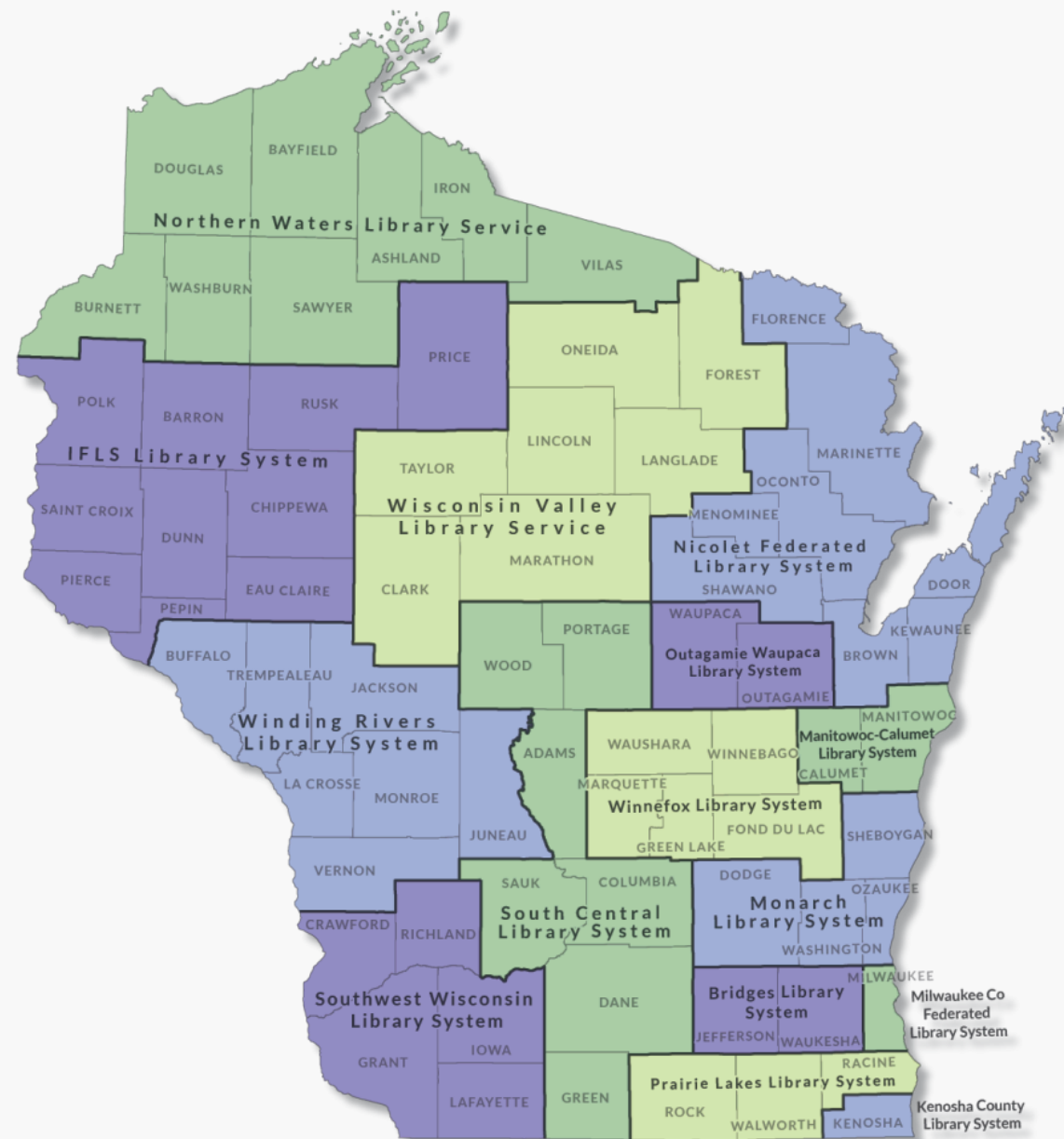
Nicolet Federated Library System

Established in 1976
15 member libraries
42 library locations
8 counties

NFLS strives to be a visionary, adaptable, and member-focused organization. It aims to facilitate and encourage networking and partnerships while delivering state-of-the-art services to enhance the potential of its member libraries.



Wisconsin Systems



15 Systems across the state

Organized under the WI DPI

Governed by independent Board of Trustees

Receive state aid

Fulfill requirements in Wis Stats. Chapter 43

NFLS Board of Trustees



composition

county board appointment

3-year term

committees



Trustee Responsibilities



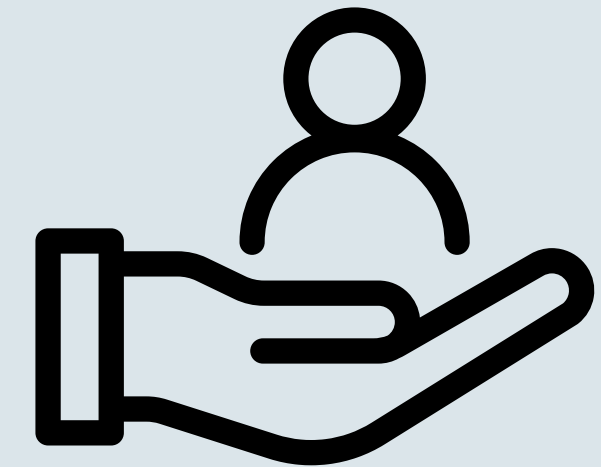
Administrative Oversight

- System personnel
- Policies
- Budget, expenditures, audit
- Agreements



Coordination of Access

- Access to equitable service
- Compensation for system-wide service
- Intersystem agreements



Provision of Services

- Annual plan of service
- Annual budget

Trustee Expectations

Advocate for libraries

Champion change

Remain objective

Engage with state library organizations

Pursue learning opportunities

Support staff development

Attend board meetings

Leverage personal skills and interest

Stay informed

Be an active library user!



Support of Member Libraries



Delivery & Collections

Delivery service
Interlibrary loan service
WPLC / Overdrive support

Professional Development

Director certification
Mentor program
NEWI Partnership
Nic-Con
Tribal Library Consortium
Trustee Training Week
Wild Wisconsin

Consulting

Advocacy
Administration
Building projects
Inclusive services
Intellectual freedom
Legislation
Marketing
Member director support
New hire orientation
Policies
Statutory compliance
Strategic planning
Youth services

Grants

Improvement and Innovation
Leadership Development & Strategic
Planning Opportunities
Library Services
Professional Development
Youth Services

IT/ Tech

Administration of ILS
Email
Hardware and software installation
Internet / Wifi
Mobile printing
Troubleshooting
Upgrades
Websites



Trustee Training Opportunities



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Board meetings

State conferences





Thank you

