



What Is NDSA?

The National Digital Stewardship Alliance is a collaborative effort among government agencies, educational institutions, non-profit organizations, and business entities to preserve a distributed national digital collection for the benefit of generations now and in the future.

NDSA Mission

The mission of the National Digital Stewardship Alliance is to establish, maintain, and advance the capacity to preserve our nation's digital resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

NDSA Values

- Stewardship
- Collaboration
- Inclusiveness
- Exchange

Benefits to Membership

Members share in the advantages of the NDSA, including:

- Shaping the agenda for advancing digital preservation action in the U.S.
- Partnering with major organizations, including premier cultural heritage institutions
- Participating in efforts to develop and implement tools, services and training
- Taking part in a national outreach program to build public awareness
- Learning about digital preservation practices from a network of thought leaders

Free to Join

Funds are not required for membership. There are no fees.

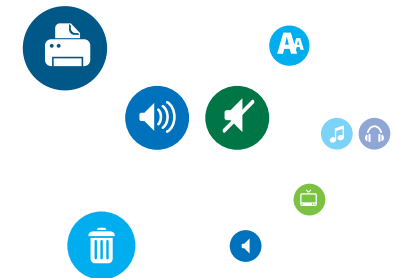
Join the NDSA

To apply for membership, visit www.digitalpreservation.gov/ndsafom/
Or to start a conversation about joining, email us at ndsafom@loc.gov.



National Digital Stewardship Alliance

An initiative of the
**National Digital Information
Infrastructure and Preservation Program**



Shared Solutions

Promoting standards, systems and cooperative relationships that advance digital stewardship



LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

*Fostering—through
internal and external
activities—an
environment that values
stewardship of America's
digital heritage*

**Common Challenges,
Community Solutions**

Join with other organizations committed to the preservation of the nation's digital heritage. Share expertise, tools, and practices to benefit your own local efforts while contributing to the stewardship of a growing national collection of diverse digital content.

**NDSA Membership
Eligibility**

- Members will have demonstrated a commitment to digital preservation.
- Members will share the stated values of the Alliance.
- Members will agree to maintain vendor neutrality.
- Members will agree to participate in one or more working groups.

Commitment

Members commit to making a sustained contribution to one or more stewardship roles. The member obligation is to support participation in working groups in whatever manner possible

**Consortia and Membership
Organizations**

The NDSA welcomes applications from consortia, provided that there is a clear representative identified to participate from each consortium.

**Commercial Members
and Vendors**

Applications are welcome from all sectors. All members must share the values of the NDSA and agree to maintain vendor neutrality.

Working Groups

NDSA members participate in one or more working groups. The work plans are developed by the groups around key digital preservation concerns. Work is concentrated in five areas:



Content

Selection, discovery, and preservation of digital content



Infrastructure

Development of tools and systems for the preservation of digital content



Innovation

Promote emerging concepts and novel digital preservation solutions



Outreach

Prepare and share digital preservation information resources



**Standards and
Practices**

Promote effective methods for digital content selection, organization, preservation and access