



Library of Things

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Agenda

- Overview
- Goals of LoT
- History and Circulation
- Impact



Overview – What is a Thing?

- Arts & Crafts
- Electronics & Devices
- Fun & Games
- Home Improvement & Auto
- Kitchen & Cooking
- Literacy & Learning
- Outdoors & Gardening



LoT Goals

- Accessibility
- Sustainability
- Creativity
- Exploration/Play
- Partnerships



History



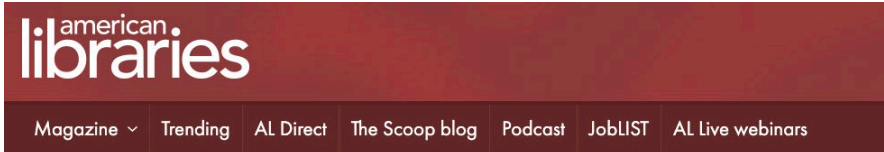
- Pilot: induction cooktops and hotspots
- Covid: Chromebooks and bundles
- Grant support: sustainability

Circulation



- Purchasing decisions
- Highest circulating item overall: WiFi hotspots, 2513 circ
- Highest circulating item(s) this FY: CA State Parks Pass, 708 circ
- What is the next big thing?

Impact



Hot Topic

Patrons check out induction cooktops

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Aydin Kwan, adult services librarian at Sunnyvale (Calif.) Public Library (SPL), uses an induction cooktop available for loan. Since March 2021, SPL has circulated 12 cooktop kits nearly 300 times.

Photo: Neha Paralkar

- Sunnyvale Public Library
- Programs
- Sustainability
- Individuals



Questions?