



Please support  
FY 2008-2009  
Funding for:

- Connecticard
- Connecticut Library Consortium (InfoAnytime)
- Construction Grants
- iCONN: Connecticut's Research Engine

Over the past year the number of searches in iCONN increased 75% to over 33 million. Since the program's inception in 2001, Connecticut residents and students have conducted 64 million searches in iCONN.

Today, iCONN provides an extensive set of information resources available for all its citizens at [www.iconn.org](http://www.iconn.org). With a \$2 million annual state investment, schools, libraries and colleges save the over \$33 million it would cost if they were to purchase these databases individually.

iCONN has been level funded for 5 years at \$1,894,322. The Connecticut Library Association advocates for increased funding to add new databases to this successful program:  
\$2,894,322 in FY2008 and  
\$2,955,103 in FY2009.

Increased funding would allow the following resources to be added to iCONN.

**Career & Testing resources for Public Libraries**

- Estimated Cost: \$75,000 – \$150,000
- Estimated savings to schools, libraries and colleges: \$750,000 - \$825,000

**Science resources**

- Estimated Cost: \$160,000 - \$250,000
- Estimated savings to schools, libraries and colleges: \$2.2 million

**Historical Hartford Courant, 1923-1984**

- Estimated cost: \$165,000
- Estimated savings to schools, libraries and colleges: \$564,000

**Online Encyclopedias**

- Estimated cost: \$200,000 – \$250,000
- Estimated savings to schools, libraries and colleges: \$650,000 – \$1 million

**Literature resources**

- Estimated cost: \$250,000 – \$350,000
- Estimated savings to schools, libraries and colleges: \$1.4 million

**Current Issues resources**

- Estimated cost: \$250,000
- Estimated savings to schools, libraries and colleges: \$855,000

