

# Libraries & Consortia: Apply Now to Become a Founding ReShare Member

## What is ReShare?

Project ReShare (<https://projectreshare.org>) is a collaboration between libraries, consortia, developers, and service providers to build a community-owned and managed, highly scalable library resource sharing platform and its accompanying interoperable software applications for the discovery, management, and fulfillment of unmediated interlibrary loan requests. Today's proprietary resource sharing systems are not responsive to the needs and concerns of our community and are failing to well-serve our library users. Project ReShare is a direct response to those concerns, offering choice, options for local control, transparency, interoperability, and user-centered workflows.



The ReShare Community is led by volunteers from libraries, consortia and service provider organizations, and is run as a project and community of the Open Library Foundation, which provides financial and project administration, sustainability planning, fundraising support, community development, marketing and communications tools, and strategic partnerships. All software produced will be released and made available under permissive open source licenses.

## Get Involved: Become a Founding Member

ReShare now offers membership options to individual libraries and consortia interested in advancing our goal for the development of an open, community-owned resource sharing infrastructure. Founding Members play a critical role in bringing this open source software to market, and in shaping the Community's trajectory as a disruptive and innovative force for open, standards-based, user-centered resource sharing services in libraries.

With the support and collaboration of ReShare Founding Members, we believe we can transform resource sharing, focus on our collective user needs and build innovative tools and business models that work for libraries and consortia. Your membership allows you to become a partner in project governance with a voice in ensuring that ReShare meets the needs of this community. Your membership dollars will be used to establish ReShare as a resource sharing service option for libraries and consortia, and to ensure the long-term sustainability of this project.

## Founding Member Categories & Fees

**Founding Library Champion** - For libraries wishing to commit monetary and/or other contributions (expertise, developer time, etc.)

- **Minimum\*** annual membership fee of \$1,500/year, with a 3-year commitment

**Founding Consortial Advocate** - For consortia wishing to commit monetary and/or other contributions (expertise, developer time, etc.)

- **Minimum\*** initial membership fee of \$1,500 per member library
- \$3,500/year for 2 subsequent years after initial membership fee

\*We have indicated minimum commitments necessary to support the long-term success of this project. Contributions at higher levels are welcome and encouraged. If your institution requires flexibility in membership pricing or payment terms, please contact us.

## Benefits of Becoming a Founding ReShare Member

Founding ReShare Membership benefits include:

- Contribution to the initial development phases of ReShare, which will bring a more fully featured platform to market faster, offering an open, alternative, user-centered resource sharing system
- \*A voting representative for your library, consortium or organization, with the opportunity to be elected to leadership roles in community governance
- Recognition with Institution name, logo, and URL listed on the ReShare website as a Founding Member
- Influence software development roadmap and community direction through member feedback forums
- Early access to software testing/development partner opportunities
- Access to discounts from Certified ReShare Service Providers for ReShare-related services
- Access to discounted registration costs for ReShare community meetings

## Apply to Become a Founding Member: Application Process

To become a Founding ReShare Member, please contact [info@projectreshare.org](mailto:info@projectreshare.org) with:

- 1) A Statement of Interest describing your desire to join this community
- 2) A Statement of Commitment describing your organization's contribution to the project and the ReShare community. Include any monetary commitment (e.g., member fee), development resources and/or other commitments you propose to be considered as part of this process.
- 3) A description of your organization
- 4) Your contact information

After receiving your application, the Steering Committee will review the request for membership based upon criteria stated in the Project Charter, along with a review of submitted statements of interest and commitment. All applications recommended by the Steering Committee will be put out to the ReShare Member Community for comment and a vote.

### **\*\*JOIN TODAY\*\* Founding Member Discount Program**

If you become a Founding Member of the ReShare Community by August 31, you'll have the opportunity to get involved now and influence the software roadmap, prioritization and community development. Additionally, your organization will save 10% on the minimum membership fees.

## Project Budget: Member Funds in Action

The ReShare Community believes in a transparent and open approach to resource sharing software development for libraries, extending to project budgeting. The project's initial budget is listed below:



Project Activity	Person Months Required	Estimated Cost	Amount Contributed To-Date	Balance Needed	Contributor(s)
<b>Project Phase: Project Kickstart, Set-up &amp; Design</b>					
Project Kickstart: Index Data & Knowledge Integration Development Process Software Development Library Directory Prototyping Project Management	16	\$205,000	\$205,000	\$0	Initial project investments were made by Index Data with contributions by Knowledge Integration to kickstart the project.
UX Design and Development <a href="#">Samhaeng</a>		\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	PALCI contribution
<b>Project Kickstart &amp; Design Subtotal</b>		<b>\$305,000</b>	<b>\$305,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Project Phase: Minimum Viable Product (MVP)</b>					
Software Development: MVP shared index for library holdings aggregation	18	\$235,000	\$0	\$235,000	Contributions Needed
Software Development: MVP request management and fulfillment systems	24	\$315,000	\$0	\$315,000	Contributions Needed
Software Development: Testing and packaging for MVP	6	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	Contributions Needed
Open Library Foundation Membership		\$10,000	\$6,000	\$4,000	TRLN contribution Additional Contribution Needed
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$635,000</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$629,000</b>	

## A Note About Project Commitments, Commercial Partner Involvement & the FOLIO relationship

The budget numbers presented above are an approximation based on average salaries and overheads along with the best estimates available in this phase of the project. Index Data's investment of effort to-date (including offsetting the costs of Knowledge Integration's effort) represents approximately \$200,000 in development and project management. Project Collaborators anticipate additional monetary contributions to the project not reflected in the chart above in the form of grant funds and partnerships for dedicated software developer time. Additional Index Data contributions are also expected during the MVP phase.

Index Data and Knowledge Integration (UK) participate in Project ReShare as fellow stakeholders and contributors alongside library and consortial partners. Index Data is well known as FOLIO's key, initial developer. Though FOLIO is completely separate, the ReShare community intends to leverage some components of FOLIO's core technology platform, giving project ReShare development a head start. ReShare's re-use of FOLIO code creates a natural connection with Index Data as a FOLIO service provider, with ReShare viewed as a future complementary service offering. Though the ReShare community will benefit from synergies with FOLIO, the ReShare platform and community will function independently and will be ILS / LSP agnostic. Other vendors and service providers sharing the project's vision are also invited to actively participate.

Since Project ReShare's first meeting in Philadelphia, the Steering Committee expressed a desire to create provisional service arrangements with Index Data as the project's earliest service provider investor, requesting Index Data serve as ReShare's preferred service provider once ReShare becomes a production-ready platform that meets MVP requirements. Provisional service arrangements allow libraries and consortia to have confidence a commercial provider will be prepared to host and manage ReShare services. These relationships also position Index Data to recoup some of their initial investments during the initial years of operation.

# Opportunities for Commercial Partners and Service Providers



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## Get Involved - Become a Founding ReShare Service Partner

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## Founding ReShare Service Partners Overview

Aimed at commercial or non-profit service providers who share the project vision and demonstrate a commitment to ReShare community values.

- Proposals for membership are encouraged and the Community will consider all forms of commitments. Commitments may take the form of monetary contributions, software developer time or other contributions.
- Minimum monetary commitment requirements for ReShare Service Partners applicants are based on current project need and available resources. Please contact us for details.

## Benefits of Becoming a Founding ReShare Service Partner

- Your contributions to the initial development phases of ReShare will bring a more fully featured platform to market faster, offering an open, alternative, user-centered resource sharing system
- You'll have the advantage of working directly with future ReShare customers and end-users.
- Your organization will gain a voting representative, with the opportunity to be elected to leadership roles in community governance
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# Apply to Join our Certified Service Providers Program

Want to offer ReShare services to libraries?

Certified Service Providers (CSPs) are ReShare Service Partners who are approved by the ReShare Steering Committee as trusted providers and community contributors.



These organizations have demonstrated expertise and a significant community effort to support ReShare's open technologies through community leadership, in-kind contributions, and financial support.

CSPs contribute a minimum number of hours of in-kind community contribution annually, as well as a flat annual fee toward support of community infrastructure.

Certified Service Providers are committed to:

- Open and Transparent Pricing
- Caps on annual increases
- Use of open standards and protocols
- Participation in leadership roles and contributions of ReShare code to the Community
- Excellent service to ReShare customers

Contact [info@projectreshare.org](mailto:info@projectreshare.org) with interest in the Certified Service Providers Program.