“Weather the Storm” is a report created by the ALA’s Public Library Funding & Technology Access Study that uses this year’s study findings to make a compelling case that in spite of the cut backs, public libraries continue to innovate and are more vital than ever.

Assembled here are links to the report and other advocacy materials developed by the study team. Please use them in your advocacy and try to get local media to help tell the library story.

“Weather the Storm” follows up the 2010 report “A Perfect Storm Brewing: Budget cuts threaten public library services at a time of increased demand” that received wide attention and helped communicate to the nation about the threat budget cuts were posing to libraries just at the time that Americans needed libraries most.

Don’t miss the very cool infographic.

- U.S. Public Libraries Weather the Storm: Innovative Services Continue Despite Continuous Budget Cuts
- Infographic: Weather the Storm and individual infographic images
- Florida Specific Study Findings Report
- Florida Specific Study Data
- Public Library Funding & Technology Access Study – 2011 -12
- A Perfect Storm Brewing: Budget cuts threaten public library services at a time of increased demand

Additional Issue Briefs

- Broadband
- Community Access
- E-government
- Employment
- Digital Literacy

Thanks to all of the libraries that responded to the survey – your participation is what makes this possible!

Please use this information in any way that you can!

Thank you!