



PALSave Impacts To-Date

- **\$2.8 million** in savings across **46,000** students through zero-cost course materials.
- **369** course transformations enhancing student success.
- **Six** faculty-authored, peer-reviewed, free textbooks published and used in **20+** courses, benefiting **500+** students within PALNI and **900** internationally.
- **831%** return on investment through faculty stipends, with demand exceeding available funds.
- Strong faculty and institutional support for **continued education and funding** for textbook affordability initiatives.

Why PALSave Matters on Your Campus

Student Success and Equity

Reducing financial barriers enhances retention and academic performance.

Institutional Innovation

Aligns with strategic goals for affordability, access, and digital learning.

Sustainable Investment

PALSave's proven track record ensures high impact with efficient resource use.



What Faculty Have to Say

Glené Mynhardt, Associate Professor of Biology, Hanover College

"I've been so lucky to have the support of PALSave to enhance my own teaching. Making open educational resources available to students and using them meaningfully has really enhanced what I'm able to do in the classroom by encouraging creativity in course design and student engagement."



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What is PALSave?

Funded by Lilly Endowment Inc. from 2019–2025, PALSave advances student success through Open Educational Resources (OER) and affordable learning materials at PALNI's 24 supported institutions. The program provides collaborative tools, supports faculty in adopting zero-cost materials, and enhances teaching at Indiana's private colleges. Through PALSave, all PALNI institutions are affiliate members of the Open Education Network. Ask your library director about PALSave's impact on your campus or visit our website to learn more!

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www.palni.org/palsave

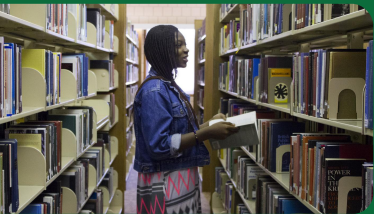


Strengthening PALSave for Greater Impact in 2025-2029

Despite sustained demand for OER education, adoption grants, and faculty support, ongoing challenges persist. These include:

- Faculty awareness and engagement.
- Availability and maintenance of OER materials.
- Navigating automatic textbook billing programs.
- Faculty capacity to integrate zero-cost texts.

Investing in faculty engagement and ease of adoption will improve student affordability, academic success, and institutional impact — making higher education more accessible and sustainable for students across Indiana and beyond.



Expansion Goals for the Next Phase of PALSave

PALNI aims to build on PALSave's success and expand its impact in the coming years through continued support. Goals for the next phase include:



Build Awareness – Increase faculty and administrator engagement through education campaigns and workshops.



Expand OER Availability – Partner with PALNI Open Press to create and sustain more high-quality OER materials.



Ensure Sustainability and Quality – Establish workflows for updating and maintaining OER.



Increase Faculty Engagement Capacity – Provide flexible opportunities, including stipends and fellowships.



Address Automatic Billing Programs– Develop faculty guidance on reducing textbook costs through informed decision-making.

Key Workstreams

In the next phase of PALSave, PALNI aims to sustain current programming while also focusing on exploratory initiatives based on new needs. These collaborative efforts will be carried out across five overlapping workstreams.



1

Education

Faculty workshops, stipend programs, and administrator outreach on textbook affordability options.

2

Integration

Embedding zero-cost texts into course design, curricula, and institutional catalogs.

3

Creation

Supporting faculty in authoring, adapting, and publishing high-quality OER.

4

Sustainability

Institutionalizing adoption of zero-cost texts, faculty incentives, and policy changes.

5

Community

Expanding faculty recognition, networking, and professional development in textbook affordability.

Help Us Spread the Word!

Your institution's participation in PALSave is transforming access to vital course materials. Share these successes with your colleagues and tell us how affordable learning resources have impacted you and your students.

Provide your feedback here: bit.ly/PALSaveImpact

