

Due to funding shortages, the Alabama Virtual Library Executive Council was forced to make some very difficult decisions concerning the AVL databases. The Council has spent a considerable amount of time reviewing the Alabama Virtual Library's database collection (which includes evaluators' reviews, referencing a cost-per-use analysis, and soliciting patron input).

As of October 1, 2016, the AVL will no longer have access to

SIRS Discoverer (from ProQuest)

As funding continues to decline for libraries and education institutions, it will be more important than ever to educate decision makers about the importance of the AVL resources. Even with these very hard decisions, the AVL still remains an outstanding example of what a state program can offer the citizens of Alabama in the toughest of times. The AVL Council continues to look optimistically toward the future and to provide a virtual library collection that is of the highest quality. Please feel free to contact the AVL Council if you have any questions. All of the contact information for your representatives is on the AVL web site.