Working w/ IT

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"If you want to go fast, go alone.
If you want to go far, go together."

-- African proverb
Sample Projects

1. **Web Archiving**: educating IT staff about the archives’ roles, responsibilities, and needs.

2. **Data Storage**: a basis for on-going planning efforts and software requirements.

3. **Processing Workstation**: a basis for talking about hardware needs & support beyond the typical.

4. **Remote Collections Access System**: true collaboration to provide new services.
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• **Know Your Organization**
  • Who are the players?
  • What are their roles?
  • Where do the resources come from?

• **Educate Yourself**
  • Wikipedia & Google
  • Play!

• **Communicate & Document**
  • Negotiate requirements
  • Brainstorm options
  • Concur on a solution