

LibreOffice Begins Landing Markdown File Import Support

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While coming a few weeks too late for making it into the LibreOffice 25.8 open-source office suite release, merged today to LibreOffice Git for next year's LibreOffice 26.2 is adding initial support for importing Markdown files into the LibreOffice Writer word processor.

For fans of the Markdown text markup language, the two decade old standard is finally seeing nice import support being worked on for LibreOffice Writer. Merged this morning was the initial patch for reading Markdown files into Writer using a new filter. That was followed by this commit implementing more of the Markdown elements like paras, lists, and headings. This is building off this recent commit adding the MD4C library to LibreOffice as a C-based Markdown parser.



Ujjawal Kumar is the developer working on this Markdown import support for LibreOffice. It follows this work from May adding an initial Markdown export filter to LibreOffice.

This LibreOffice import support for Markdown is now in LibreOffice Git but with the LibreOffice 25.8 code already branched and under a feature freeze, there's still plenty of time for this code to mature and be further completed ahead of the follow-on LibreOffice 26.2 release next year to nicely display Markdown files in this free software office suite.

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