

Federal Funds Help All Georgians Access Key Library Resources



More Georgians are turning to public libraries for their informational and educational needs, and our libraries play a critical role in workforce and economic development.

- Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS) is granted funding annually from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). These funds enable us to provide services that all our public libraries can use, taking advantage of economies of scale and multiplying impact.
- Leveraging federal dollars on a state scale creates equity: everyone has access to the same high-quality services, no matter where they live.
- In FY2017, Georgia expended \$5,045,552 in LSTA funding to expand learning resources and access to information for individuals of all ages.



PINES

More than 1.9 million Georgians use our award-winning, nationally recognized Public Information Network for Electronic Services (PINES) and library card system, which provides statewide lending of 11 million library materials.



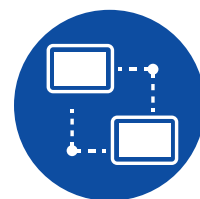
GLASS

Those unable to read or handle standard print materials use our GLASS “talking book” library services — encompassing more than 450,000 annual checkouts.



GALILEO

Students and patrons of all ages make extensive use of GALILEO, which provides free access to journals, magazines and scholarly resources not available by standard search engine. GALILEO was accessed more than 1.7 million times in FY2017.



HomePLACE

Georgia HomePLACE added 40,000+ unique public library items to the Digital Library of Georgia allowing researchers and students free, online access to primary sources on local history.



Our **strategic partnerships** have provided **hundreds of hours of free programming for public library patrons** while saving Georgia’s families more than \$13 million over the last 10 years.



33 Makerspaces across Georgia public libraries offer 3D printers, robotics, Virtual Reality and more; our libraries are **innovative learning centers for everyone.**

GEORGIA LIBRARIES ARE A PLACE FOR COMMUNITIES TO COME TOGETHER, EXPLORE AND LEARN.

These services and many more are paid for using LSTA funds. See the complete list on back.

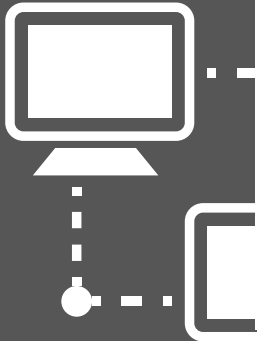
To learn more about Georgia’s libraries, visit www.GeorgiaLibraries.org

Georgia public library services funded by LSTA



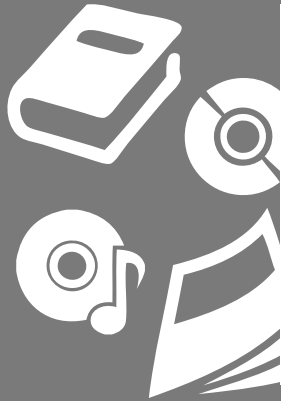
Statewide Library Checkout Software

- Integrated library system and services including hardware and software hosting and support, help desk, courier service, statewide library card system, and more.
- Technical support for the PINES automation and lending network.



IT Network and Support

- Continuing education, training and technical education loaner kits.
- Host and support over 2,000 cloud-based computers, providing an efficient and low-cost solution to public access computing.
- Support 33 Makerspaces offering 3D printers, robotics, Virtual Reality and more.
- Assist systems to file E-rate applications.
- Facilitate Internet service providers to ensure high-speed access.



Resource Sharing

- Shared services that provide Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) cataloging information and interlibrary loan access.
- Provide access to journals, magazines and other scholarly resources through GALILEO.
- Train libraries in digital project development and more, and provide access to imaging equipment through Georgia HomePLACE.
- Maintain and develop the state professional library collection.



Youth Services

- Summer Reading Program with participation from more than 500,000 youth.
- Host PRIME TIME FAMILY a humanities-based program proven to help children academically and bond families around reading.



Continuing Education

- Host continuing education and training events for library staff.
- Provide professional consulting to improve local library services in areas like technology, services to children and interlibrary cooperation.



Georgia Library for Accessible Statewide Services (GLASS)

- Provide "talking book" library services for those unable to read or hold standard printed materials as a result of visual or physical disability.