Maryland State Library Agency

MISSION

The mission of the Maryland State Library Agency (MSL) is to provide leadership and consultation in technology, training, marketing, funding, resource sharing, research, and planning, so that Maryland libraries can fulfill their missions now and in the future to the people of Maryland.

VISION

Maryland libraries will be the first thought of Maryland residents for information in the 21st century.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Libraries will anticipate and meet the educational and informational needs of their communities.

Obj. 1.1 Maryland Public Libraries will provide equitable access to educational, social, and informational services.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Number of library materials (digital and physical) owned by MD							
Public Libraries	15,041,386	16,049,911	17,960,695	18,388,964	20,793,517	20,155,896	20,835,659
Number of digital materials owned	1,157,430	1,742,849	2,434,774	3,573,275	4,734,865	4,413,954	4,879,510
Number of library materials (digital and physical) accessed	70,860,479	67,496,633	66,887,132	66,810,856	57,301,080	62,622,859	62,025,113
Number of digital materials accessed	16,531,227	16,614,650	16,506,162	17,640,434	21,676,322	24,273,576	26,727,327
Number of early literacy programs for children under 5	36,687	36,845	35,254	37,192	27,557	31,821	29,783
Attendance at early literacy programs for children under 5	955,198	1,043,046	950,267	994,634	751,680	866,602	1,030,408
Number of library programs	85,873	88,663	92,393	100,403	76,369	91,589	93,017
Attendance at library programs	2,287,868	2,393,632	2,451,554	2,596,482	1,959,959	2,337,560	2,350,357

Obj. 1.2 The Maryland Library for the Blind and Print Disabled (LBPD) will coordinate statewide library services for all blind, visually impaired, and print disabled Maryland residents and for institutions serving these individuals.

Performance Measures	2017 Act.	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Est.	2023 Est.
Number of materials available through LBPD	424,601	391,491	299,797	394,957	434,144	433,467	319,000
Number of LBPD programs	113	126	93	94	111	100	105
Number of LBPD materials checked out	198,299	201,534	227,079	224,794	220,439	234,133	241,391
Number of individuals engaged in LBPD programs	5,703	5,398	6,167	3,488	1,054	6,506	6,864
Number of LBPD patrons served	9,595	10,258	9,872	8,745	8,394	8,745	9,697
Increase in customer access to LBPD materials	2%	2%	13%	-1%	-2%	6%	3%
Number of textbook chapters completed for students through the							
Maryland Accessible Textbook (MAT) Program	8,149	9,719	8,618	6,169	3,538	8,366	8,366
Number of students served through the MAT Program	71	77	66	47	52	64	64