AGENCY SUMMARY Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS)

Leadership

Michael Gannon, Acting CEO & COO for Support Services

Nicholas Brown, Acting CEO & COO for Communication and Outreach

Megan Sutherland, Interim COO for Public Services

Prince George's County Memorial Library System website.

Prince George's County Memorial Library System <u>FY</u> 2023 Approved Budget.

Prince George's County Memorial Library System <u>FY</u> 2023 Budget Report.

BACKGROUND

In 1902, the <u>State Library Commission</u> was authorized to develop public libraries throughout Maryland. The County Commissioners allocated funds to establish the Library system in 1946 as "a living memorial to those… who served in wars" under a law enacted by the State legislature. The Laurel Branch was the first library to become part of the System.

PGCMLS is governed by a 7-member <u>Board of Library Trustees</u> which is appointed by the County Executive and approved by the County Council. The <u>PGCMLS Foundation</u> provides critical philanthropic support to the Library.

The Library operates 19 regional branches, a 24/7 online library, and pop-up services throughout the County. The Library also provides service at the County Correctional Center. The Library is fine-free since June 2020.

County Contributions account for 70%-75% of the total Library budget, with the State providing the second largest contribution.

Core Services

- Account Services
 - o Book borrowing; books by mail; interlibrary loan; LINK account for students.
- Library Rooms
 - o Meeting & conference rooms; small study rooms.
- Computers & Technology
 - o 3D printing; computer & Wifi access; copy/print/fax/scan; D.R.E.A.M. Lab; mobile printing; senior SmartTrip.
- Other Services
 - o Books from birth; C.R.A.B. book club kits; curbside service; exhibit & poster space; information for local authors; senior suite; passport services.

Organizational Structure

Public Services, Administration, Support Services, Communication & Outreach

FY 2023 Priorities

- Provide information resources with a customer-focused collection of materials in print, electronic, and other formats.
- Increase early childhood literary skills from birth to age five.
- Provide public access to the Internet.
- Embrace culture, inclusion, and social justice, promote lifelong learning for all, foster economic growth through career & business development, champion creatives and develop skills for healthy living for all County residents.





