



MONTANA
STATE LIBRARY
A GREATER STATE OF KNOWLEDGE

1:1 OGSM/Strategy Meeting

DATE: March 16, 2023



Montana State Library Dashboards

GOALS

February/March

-  Support public libraries – conducted 3 board trainings in Western Montana (Hamilton, Stevensville, Darby)
-  Continuing education – launched MSL Learn and offered 1 course for librarians
-  Federation task force – presented task force recommendations to Library Commission (2/8)
-  Courier study – received four crate tracking tags and established routes to track
-  ARPA internal wiring project – installed equipment at 6 more libraries (last two scheduled for 3/22)
-  MSDI Climate Updates – scheduled first climate web service for production (2/22)
-  GIS Coordination - provide GIS outreach at MARLS (2/20) and MACo (2/15)
-  ServiceNow implementation – configure Geo Info ticketing system (target completion 3/13)
-  Montana Memory Project – finalize labs for Great Falls, Butte, Virginia City, build labs for Missoula and Lewistown
-  Lifelong Learning – support children's programming through 2 brainstorming/problem solving sessions with librarians
-  Library Consulting – connect with partners at two federation meetings (3/9 Anaconda and 3/24 Miles City)

Highs	Lows
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legislative session• ServiceNow collaboration with SITSD• Receipt of additional survey control points	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Space for Talking Book recording studio• Lack of responsiveness from Iron Mountain regarding records storage and digitization• ARPA funds ending result in program loss

-  Continuing Education – support professional development through two webinars
-  GIS Coordination – work with council subcommittee to prioritize grant funding for MLIA Grant Program

April

- GIS Coordination – connect with partners at Big Sky GeoCon (4/3-4/6)
- GIS Coordination – present MLIAC recommendations for prioritized grant funding to State Library Commission
- Lifelong Learning – complete 12 hours of training for Supercharged Storytime cohort of 10 librarians
- ARPA internal wiring project – all installation and configuration work complete
- Library consulting – connect with partners at 3 federation meetings (4/1 Harlowton, 4/27 Wolf Point, and 4/28-4/29 Missoula)
- Virtual programs – present "Thunderous" with Montana authors Mandy Smoker Broaddus and Natalie Peeterse (3/9) and "Foraging for Wild Mushrooms" with MSU professor Dr. Cathy Cripps (4/20)
- Historic Imagery Service – image processing and create mosaic dataset

Objective: *The Montana State Library (MSL) helps all organizations, communities, and Montanans thrive through excellent library resources and services.*

Goal: All Montanans will have access to library content and services, sufficient unto their needs.

Horizon: January 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023

ON SCHEDULE
DELAYED
COMPLETED

STRATEGY: FOSTER PARTNERSHIPS		
INITIATIVE	WHO?	MEASURE
Support the development of meaningful training provided by MSL staff using learning outcomes, design methodology, and evaluation	Continuing Education	6 courses added to MSL Learn
Advocate for the use of MSDI data in state and local business processes, programs, and workflows through attendance at relevant conferences and meetings	GIS	5 meetings/conferences; FY 24 prioritized grants approved
Coordinate a federation task force to review federations and identify ways to improve services for Montanans through the federation model	Library Consulting	Federation recommendations adopted
Assist libraries with identifying and overcoming barriers that may impede Montanans use of public or tribal college library services	Library Consulting	15 site visits, 6 board trainings, 6 Federation meetings
Work with individual partners on their workflows to make it easier for them to incorporate data from the Montana Natural Heritage Program in environmental review, permitting, and planning processes	Natural Heritage	1-2 partners over 2 meetings each
Provide virtual programming sessions for Montanans using the Montana Library Network platform	Lifelong Learning	3 programs with 10 host libraries
STRATEGY: SECURE SUFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE FUNDING		
Conduct a study of comparable wages and occupational standards for library positions to evaluate the need to advocate for improved library salaries	Data Coordinator	Survey designed
Identify funding and support for internal wiring and broadband upgrades in libraries	Library Consulting	8 libraries ARPA equipment installs completed
Implement Real Time Network (RTN) funding model	Real Time Network	Passing SB 60
Provide centralized contracts, funding, and support for cataloging, interlibrary loan, and physical delivery of materials between libraries	Statewide Projects	Courier study published
Develop and recommend a single cost share formula to fund current and future shared services	Statewide Projects	Preliminary cost-share formula presented to NAC
STRATEGY: CREATE A USEFUL INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE		
Collect, maintain, and disseminate lidar data and standard derived products in a central repository at the Montana State Library	GIS	3 counties lidar data obtained, processed, stored, made available
Collaborate with the Imagery Working Group & stakeholders to create an inventory of publicly available imagery datasets for the state of Montana	GIS	1 new historic imagery service
Continue to enhance the Montana History Portal platform and user experience	Montana History Portal	12 adventure labs published
Support a statewide, centralized integrated library system (ILS) and provide education and assistance for member libraries	Montana Shared Catalog	6 new products integrated
Create permanent, public access to State government information through digitization	State Publications	13 volumes Ann. of MCA scanned
Implement ServiceNow ticketing and customer support system across agency	Information Products	12 projects completed
Complete range polygons and predicted habitat suitability models for all of Montana's tree and shrub species with sufficient data to inform environmental review, permitting, and planning processes	Natural Heritage	Range polygons and models finalized
Develop training videos for all aspects of the Natural Heritage Program website to ensure that information can be easily and appropriately accessed	Natural Heritage	8 videos published

Montana State Library – Lead Organization Chart

Total FTE: 56.35
Vacancies: 1

Last updated: 3/13/2023

