

BY *the* NUMBERS

FY 2019



Our IMPACT

Georgia's Public Libraries comprises **408 total facilities** in **62 library systems**. During FY19, our libraries had over **26 million in-person visits** and over **41 million website visits**. Our **9,547 public computers** provide **high speed access to the Internet**, which allow **citizens to find employment** and **stay connected** with their **communities**.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Population — 10,766,121
(FY2018 estimate, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget)
- Total library cardholders — 4,391,279
- Percent of population holding library cards — 40.8%
- Public library systems — 62
- Total facilities, including libraries, bookmobiles and central offices — 408
- Total paid library staff (FTE) — 2,730
- State-certified public librarians — 596

HOLDINGS

- Books and magazines — 15,817,114
- Audios (incl. downloadable) — 1,714,794
- DVDs and videos (incl. downloadable) — 1,372,889
- E-books — 1,162,295

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

- Total hours open — 832,686
- Patron visits — 26,002,521
- Virtual visits (via library websites) — 41,665,760
- Total Visits - 67,668,281

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- Total materials circulation — 36,017,619
 - Physical materials circulation — 31,636,104
 - E-book circulation — 2,331,579
 - Other downloadable audiovisual (movies, music, audiobooks, etc.) circulation — 2,049,936
- Youth materials circulation — 15,895,144
- GLASS (talking book) circulations — 444,021
- GALILEO usage via public libraries — 1,320,564
- Programs offered — 105,030
- Attendance at programs — 2,548,648
- Total public-access Internet computers — 9,547 *(includes more than 1,800 GPLS-hosted cloud computers)*
- Total user sessions of electronic resources, excluding wireless — 10,964,375
- Total wireless sessions used (estimated, based on 330 tracking libraries) — 4,824,449
- Average broadband speed: 260Mbps; minimum speed of 30Mbps/maximum speed of 2Gbps



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ANNUAL FUNDING IN GEORGIA

for Public Library Services

July 2018-June 2019

Local: \$178,601,606

Georgia ranks 49th per capita in the nation.

- Direct revenue from Local Government: \$126,235,848
- Local Government on-behalf: \$41,926,715
- Library fees and donations: \$10,439,043

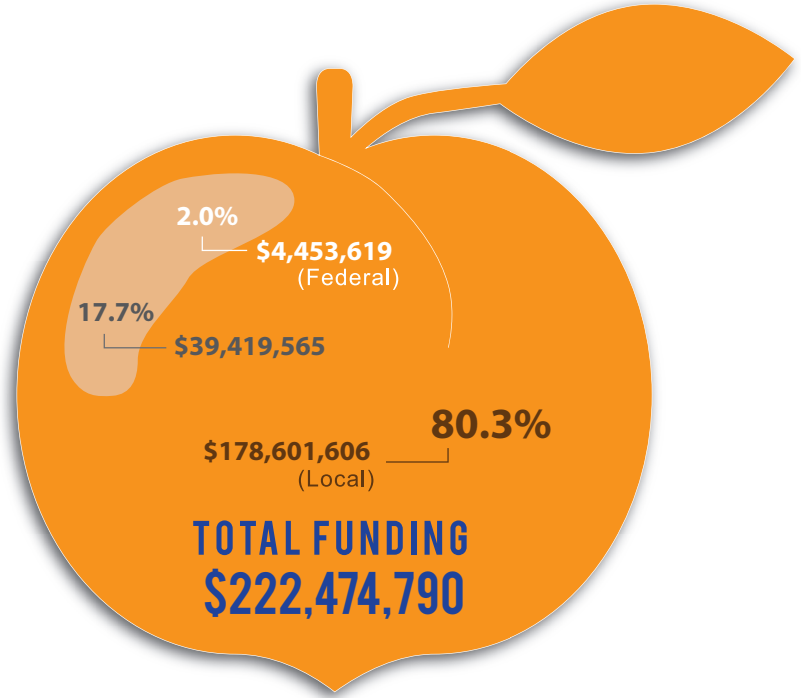
State: \$39,419,565

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- State Grants to Libraries: \$30,983,225
- GLASS/IT/PINES: \$4,010,263
- Resource Sharing (GALILEO) and support: \$4,268,353
- GCSU Sandra Deal Grant: \$145,338
- GA Humanities Grant: \$12,386

Federal: \$4,453,619

- IMLS-LSTA State Programs grant expenditures



Sources: Georgia Public Library Statistics Fiscal Year 2019 (7/1/18 through 6/30/19; data subject to Institute of Museum and Library Services [IMLS] review during spring 2020 Public Library Survey); IMLS rankings based on latest (2017) survey data.

Total funding: \$222,474,790

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**State funds and Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds provide public libraries with statewide services such as GLASS, GALILEO, email and Internet access.*

Additional Library Support awarded for FY19 by the General Assembly

- Capital Projects: \$8,540,000
- MRR Facilities Grants: \$1,860,000
- MRR Repurpose Grants: \$1,890,000
- Technology Grants: \$1,370,000

Total FY19 Bond funding: \$13,660,000

