Strategic Goals Washington State Library

The State Library: connecting Washington through the power of libraries.

The Washington State Library builds prosperous and informed communities by providing technology, access to information, resources, and professional support.

Foster civic engagement

Empower state legislators, agencies and citizens to make informed decisions that impact Washington civic and economic life.

Preserve and share Washington's stories.

Connect Washingtonians to their history, employing digital initiatives and other preservation strategies to tell the stories of local communities and to celebrate our common heritage.

Serve all who cannot read standard print.

Expand the reach and effectiveness of the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library WTBBL with innovative outreach initiatives to increase overall user population, establish and strengthen borrower relationships, and promote high quality, accessible library and information resources.

4 Support the incarcerated and hospitalized in their recovery and release

Expand and enhance the provision of direct library and information services to incarcerated and hospitalized populations in support of education, literacy, recovery and re-entry.

5 Promote economic growth, education and life-long learning

Contribute to the state's economic prosperity and cultural richness by supporting relevant and high-quality education, literacy and reading, and life-long learning.

Build and maintain a federal and state depository program

Safeguard the unique assets of our federal and state depository programs to enhance access and improve participation by stakeholders in these programs



Develop professional skills and build capacity among all libraries.

Elevate the quality of library service and the caliber of library staff through facilitation, consulting, grants, training and modeling best practices to build capacity in libraries statewide.