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Council On Libraries - Guiding Principles

In advising the Delaware Division of Libraries and carrying out their functions are:

- Ensure state-of-the-art library facilities and services
- Establish and implement overarching policies and guidelines and protect Intellectual Freedom
- Represent and anticipate the needs of the public
- Assure parity in representation among libraries across the state
  - Safeguard nonpartisan equity in support for libraries
  - Provide a Forum where libraries throughout the state have a common ground and equal voice to address concerns and ensure excellence in library service statewide
  - Act as arbitrator and adjudicate decisions that cannot be resolved in other levels
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<td>Library Construction Law established (Castle) Title 29, 66A</td>
<td>Total $14 million, 62,752 increase to 285,542 SF</td>
<td>Total $38 million, 125,207 increase to 413,167 SF Statewide Master Plan Goal – 15 SF per capita</td>
<td>Total $44 million, increase of 157,258 to 615,634 SF to date</td>
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<td>Library Standards: Title 29, Chapter 66, Contracts with Public Library System</td>
<td>From $851,600 to $2,121,600</td>
<td>Doubled to $4,569,500</td>
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<td>Title 29, Chapter 66B, Public Library Technology Act</td>
<td>Kentnet, Wilmnet, Hollinet, Tipcat established with LSCA Title II funds</td>
<td>FY2003 $100,000 to $1,235,000 in FY2009, Gates Foundation support DLC is launched in 2006</td>
<td>FY2011 $3 million state assumes 100% of library technology costs DLC expands statewide in Sept 2010</td>
<td>$3,000,000 Title 29, 8731 Div. of Libraries, DE Library Network &amp; Consortium codified (first school library mention)</td>
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## Delaware Libraries: Construction

### Goals:
- 1 SF per capita statewide
- Library minimum 10,000 SF
- Flexible & Outdoor Spaces for library services

### FY2023 Requests:

- Selbyville
  - Construction of a new library
  - FY2023 Request: $1,996,730
- Rehoboth
  - Addition & renovation
  - FY2023 Request: $4,345,746
- N. Wilmington
  - Expansion & renovation
  - FY2023 Request: $266,000
  - Construction of outdoor programming pavilion
  - FY2023 Request: $337,500
- Bridgeville
  - Neighborhood & energy efficiency
  - FY2023 Request: $90,000

### In Process:

- Dorchester
  - Groundbreaking TBD
  - Proposed SF 35,000
  - State: $4,400,000
- Harrington
  - Groundbreaking 2024
  - Proposed SF 15,000
  - State: $2,000,000
- Southern Regional
  - Groundbreaking: Aug 2020
  - Proposed SF 25,000
  - State: $3,882,000

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As of November 2021

DelawareLibraries.org
Delaware Library Consortium
established 2006

One statewide multitype library system -
Over 70 libraries to date!

- To provide convenience for Delawareans
- To streamline technology infrastructure
- To obtain economy of scale savings
- To improve library collections
- To collaborate on services (Ask a Librarian DE)
- To coordinate coverage of program offerings
- To enhance support of lifelong learning
- To obtain live data!
Delaware School Libraries

Master Plan

Quality School Libraries = Higher Student Achievement

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Recommendations

- Staffing
  - Require a school library, a certified librarian, and an appropriate level of support staff in every school.
  - Seek funding for and implement a pilot project in nine schools to determine the impact that quality school libraries have on student learning outcomes.

- Content and Access
  - Expand student access to “e-content.”
  - Expand the Delaware Library Consortium to include all school libraries.

- Governance and Infrastructure
  - Establish specific governance responsibilities for the coordination and oversight of school libraries.
  - Examine and address systemic issues that inhibit the development of high-quality school library programs.
  - Leverage Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) funding to strengthen school libraries.
  - Implement flexible scheduling for school libraries.

- Assessment and Accountability
  - Design and implement an ongoing program of data collection, management, and assessment for school libraries.
  - Create a Delaware School-Library Quality Index to facilitate the tracking of student performance and investment in school library services.
Questions?

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