

BY *the* NUMBERS

FY 2018



Our IMPACT

Georgia's Public Libraries comprises **406 total facilities** in **63 library systems**. During FY18, our libraries had over **26.8 million in-person visits** and over **42 million website visits**. Our **9,391 public computers** provide **high speed access to the Internet**, which allow **citizens to find employment** and **stay connected** with their **communities**.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Population — 10,637,029
(FY2018 estimate, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget)
- Total library cardholders — 4,276,595
- Percent of population holding library cards — 40.2%
- Public library systems — 63
- Total facilities, including libraries, bookmobiles and central offices — 406
- Total paid library staff (FTE) — 2,792
- State-certified public librarians — 605

HOLDINGS

- Books and magazines — 15,580,900
- Audios (incl. downloadable) — 1,172,243
- DVDs and videos (incl. downloadable) — 1,420,096
- E-books — 865,931

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

- Total hours open — 848,318
- Patron visits — 26,835,701
- Virtual visits (via library websites) — 42,306,684
- Total Visits - 69,142,385

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- Total materials circulation — 35,187,554
 - Physical materials circulation — 32,063,780
 - E-book circulation — 1,676,612
 - Other downloadable audiovisual (movies, music, audiobooks, etc.) circulation — 1,447,162
- Youth materials circulation — 15,119,018
- GLASS (talking book) circulations — 436,548
- GALILEO usage via public libraries — 1,426,161
- Programs offered — 97,082
- Attendance at programs — 2,698,768
- Total public-access Internet computers — 9,391 *(includes more than 1,800 GPLS-hosted cloud computers)*
- Total user sessions of electronic resources, excluding wireless — 12,494,587
- Total wireless sessions used (estimated, based on 330 tracking libraries) — 3,867,880
- 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 2017-June 2018

Local: \$174,593,670

Georgia ranks 49th per capita in the nation.

- Direct revenue from Local Government: \$124,151,443
- Local Government on-behalf: \$39,425,659
- Library fees and donations: \$11,016,568

State: \$37,175,886

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- State Grants to Libraries*: \$29,527,054
- State Government on-behalf**: \$4,463,553
- GPLS/GLASS/PINES Operations: \$3,185,279

Federal: \$4,444,266

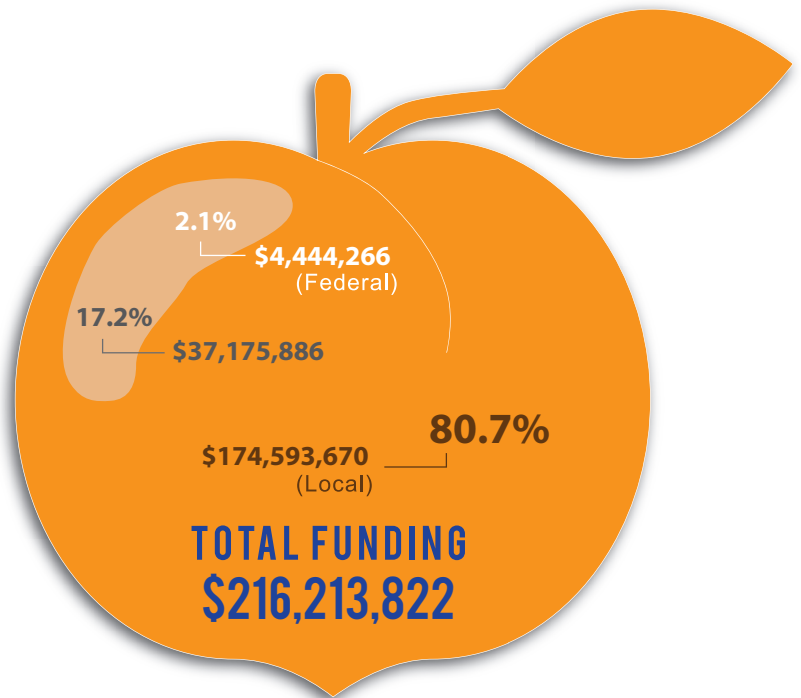
- IMLS-LSTA State Programs* grant expenditures

**TOTAL FUNDING:
\$216,213,822**

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**State Grants to Libraries includes \$.25 per capita for library materials*

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



Sources: Georgia Public Library Statistics Fiscal Year 2018 (7/1/17 through 6/30/18; data subject to Institute of Museum and Library Services [IMLS] review during spring 2019 Public Library Survey); IMLS rankings based on latest (2017) survey data.

Additional Library Support awarded for FY18 by the General Assembly

Capital Projects: **\$6,686,000**

MRR Facilities Grants: **\$4,000,000**

Technology Grants: **\$2,000,000**

**TOTAL FY18 BOND FUNDING:
\$12,686,000**

