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.

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

2. **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.

3. **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.

6. **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.

7. **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.