

Spotlight on Georgia's Libraries

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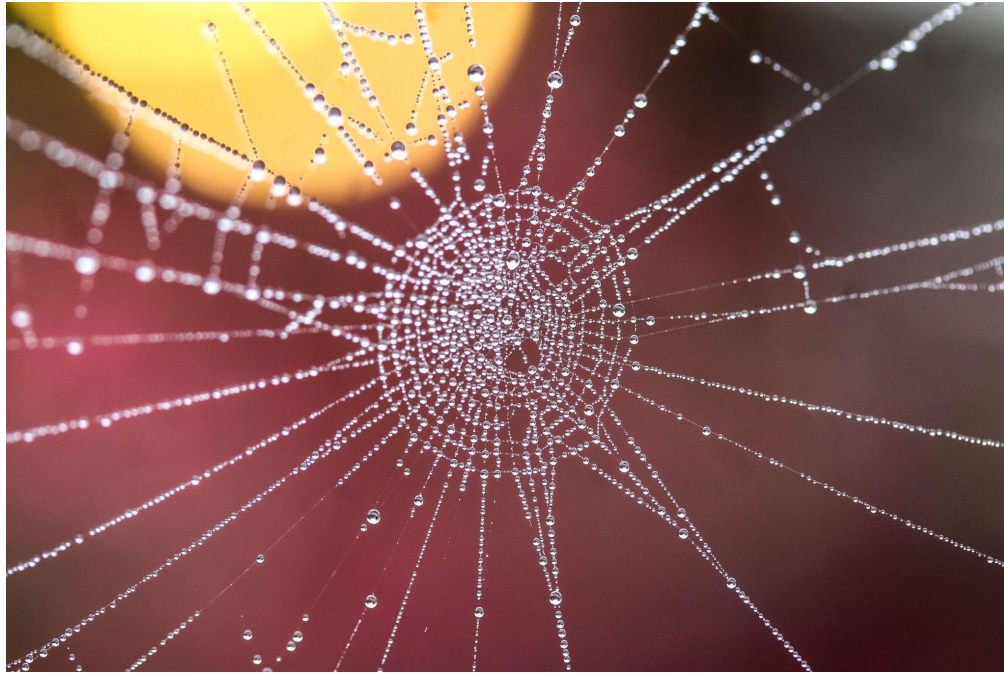
Libraries & Archives: Synergies and Collaboration



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Libraries & Archives: Moving Forward



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60 Public Library Systems in Georgia

There's a public library in every county in Georgia



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Georgia's Public Libraries: Facts & Impact

**\$732.8 million in state
economic impact and
service valuation**

Our libraries lend more than
91,000 items daily.

10,100 public computers

- 26 million in-person visits
- 41 million website visits

4.4 million Georgians have a
library card!

Free high-speed Wi-Fi at
ALL GA public libraries



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Support for Student Success

Library cards specifically for K-12 students

Laptops and hotspots for checkout

Resources for lifelong learners

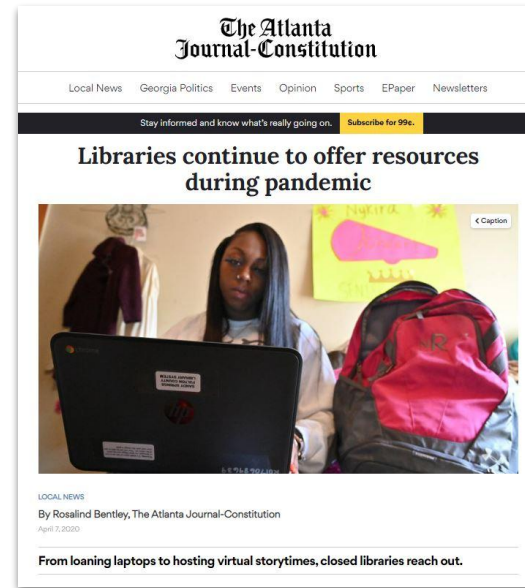
E-rate for Schools & Libraries

- K-12
- Public libraries
- Charter schools
- Juvenile Justice institutions



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<https://www.ajc.com/news/local/libraries-continue-offer-resources/FUhuHrseyJWjzWfuSMKo2J/>



Support for Workforce Development and Entrepreneurs

Free high-speed Wi-Fi
at ALL libraries

Internet-connected
mobile devices for
checkout

Hotspots for checkout



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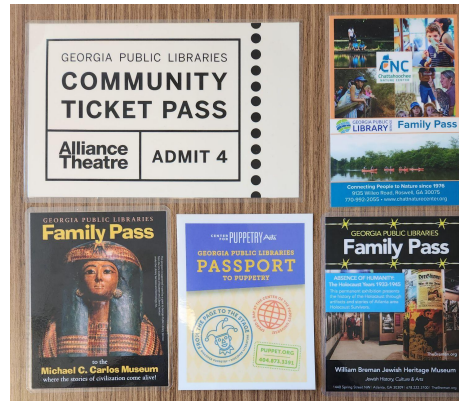
Support for Affordability

People save money using a library

GA public libraries provide \$732.8 million in state economic impact

Libraries promote USG resources like Georgia Degrees Pay

Affordable Connectivity Program



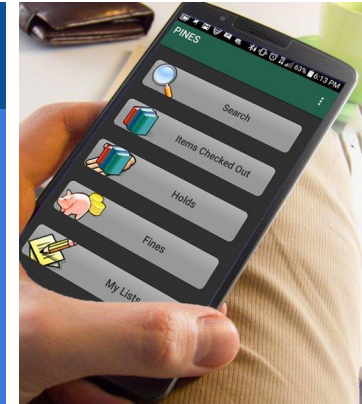
Our strategic partnerships have provided free programming for library customers while saving Georgia families more than \$20 million since 2005.

<https://georgialibraries.org/partnerships>

Resources to Support Lifelong Learning

Available through all Georgia public libraries

- LearningExpress Library
- MANGO Languages
- Entrepreneurial Learning Initiative
- EBSCO Learning Express Job and Career Accelerator
- HeritageQuest
- Gale Legal Forms
- History Reference Center



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Summer Reading 2023



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Daniel Zeiger, IT Director at GPLS, named a **Change Agent Mover & Shaker for 2023** by **Library Journal!**



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Georgia Council on Literacy

“The creation of the Georgia Council on Literacy is a major step forward in improving early literacy rates in our state.”

-Sen. Billy Hickman



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