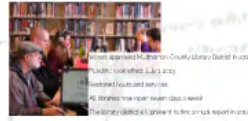




Library district background



MCLD: Proud past, promising future



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We look for input



We help the community flourish



We think yes



Thank yes



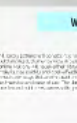
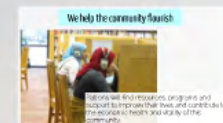
We have a great future



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Voters approved Multnomah County Library District in 2012

Funding took effect July 1, 2013

Restored hours and services

All libraries now open seven days a week

The library district will present its first annual report in 2014

MCLD: Proud past, promising future



Oldest public library west of the Mississippi

150th anniversary: February, 2014

A time of change for public libraries

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Three immutable pillars define the library's role and value

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- The leading advocate for reading

Building on the pillars: Priorities

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All library patrons will consistently receive outstanding customer service, in person and online. Patrons will receive their library materials as quickly and cost-effectively as possible in ways that are focused on access, self-service and ease of use. The library will use limited public resources with great care.



We champion reading for all



Library staff will provide knowledgeable advisory services about a full spectrum of resources to benefit patrons at their points of need. The format of library materials and how we provide information will evolve over time. Our community can always expect a high-quality, thoughtful mix of materials that serve a broad spectrum of needs..

We help the community flourish



Patrons will find resources, programs and support to improve their lives and contribute to the economic health and vitality of this community.

We prepare young minds for success



All children from birth to age five will have programs, services and materials designed to ensure that they will enter school ready to learn to read, write and listen. All K-12 students will have programs, services and materials to support reading and success in school.

We speak your language



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