

## MLA Provides Statewide Support for Libraries and Library Professionals

### Advocacy

State Aid to Libraries increased by \$1.0 million GF/GP over last year, which translate to a 9% increase and brings the per capita payments from \$0.36 to \$0.39. This is great news as we work to gradually rebuild this funding source.

Libraries' NARCAN legislation took on greater importance in the state. The Senate Health Policy Committee took testimony on SB 828 and 829, which would provide liability protection for libraries when providing the life-saving opioid antidote naloxone, common brand name Narcan, to an overdosing patron. As a result of our testimony, the committee chair has requested legislation which would protect all public locations from liability including libraries. MLA's initiative translated into broader implications for public safety. Library of Michigan, the Michigan Department of Education and MLA have been working together to see this protection added for our libraries.

MLA again opposed legislation which would limit millage proposals to the November ballot only. Similar legislation was introduced last year and we successfully opposed the bill. We educated the bill sponsor about the impact this ill-conceived law could have on library millages.

MLA opposed legislation which would give utilities a break from paying taxes on transmission and distribution systems but would cost school and local government funding, including libraries. Recall MLA and members worked fervently to see that libraries were included in Personal Property Tax reimbursement. MLA continues to work against this measure.

MLA's call to action for HB 5090 resulted in 400 library contacts to Sen. Tom Casperson, chair of the Senate Transportation Committee. The bill changes how fines from weigh stations are distributed. Failure to stop at a weigh station would be changed from a misdemeanor to a civil infraction and exempt certain vehicles. The House Fiscal Analysis indicated a loss to libraries. However, once libraries became involved the Senate Fiscal Agency reevaluated the impact of the bill and found that library funding would not be significantly impacted by the change from misdemeanor to civil infraction. It could increase or decrease depending upon the number of violations written. Thank you for educating your Senators on the importance of penal fine revenue to libraries. This was a perfect opportunity to bring this fact to their attention because libraries are regularly faced with proposed legislation that would divert penal fine revenue.

### Membership

MLA's organizational memberships total 317 with 1289 individual members from public, academic, cooperative, special and K-12 libraries.

MLA has partnered with National Insurance Services, Inc. (NIS) to provide another resource for affordable health care coverage to member library staff. After being extensively vetted by the MLA office and Board of Directors, NIS was selected to offer a new insurance management opportunity to MLA members.

### Professional Development

MLA education benefited 879 library professionals at MLA conferences and workshops.

MLA and the Michigan Cooperative Directors Association joined forces to bring the ALA Advocacy Bootcamp to Lansing. The workshop helped librarians develop an advocacy plan and empowered librarians with skills to tell their library's story and secure funding.

MLA partnered with the Michigan Cooperative Directors Association, Library of Michigan, MCLS, MAME and MIALA on a program on enhancing library safety.

### Member Engagement, Collaboration and Networking

MLA members continue to serve their profession with 93 members volunteering and leading on MLA's Board of Directors, standing committees and work groups.

Exciting changes to MLA database, the MLA website and registration system were implemented. Transition to our new database MemberClicks is now complete. It offers enhanced navigation, a dedicated annual conference site and easier registration for our professional development events.

Informal Interest Groups continue to grow. They are designed to foster member engagement in addition to current MLA professional development opportunities. Youth Services, Intellectual Freedom, Academic Libraries, and Readers Advisory for Adults are a few of the groups.

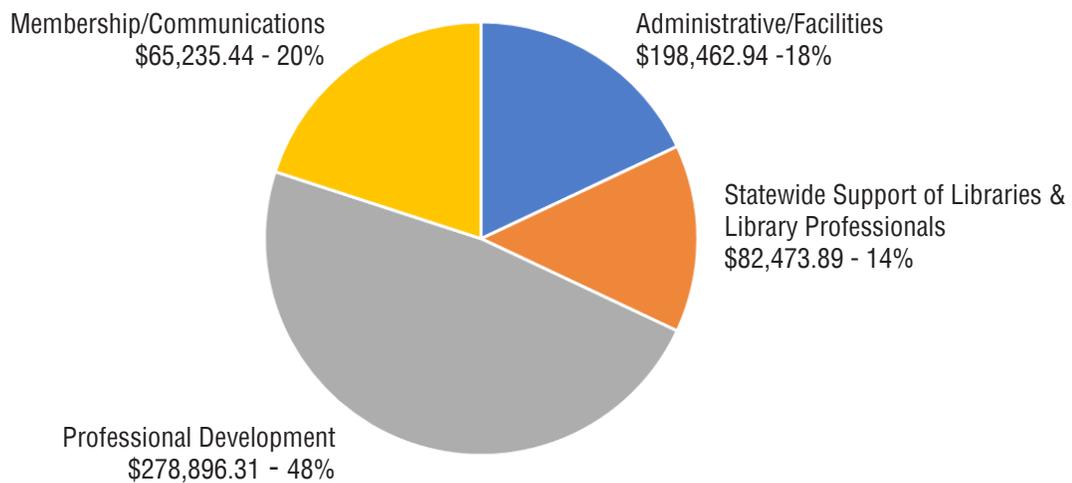
MLA continued expansion of micro-volunteering opportunities in communications with content curation for web and newsletter, social media and member outreach.

# 2018-2019 YEAR-END REVIEW

## Financial Overview as of June 30, 2018

	6/30/2018	6/30/2017	6/30/2016
Total Current Assets	\$896,354	\$862,708	\$869,085
Property & Equipment	\$1,276	\$3,781	\$15,976
Total Assets	\$897,630	\$866,489	\$885,061
Total Liabilities	\$331,958	\$339,817	\$337,617
Total Equity	\$565,673	\$526,672	\$547,444

### Resource Allocation 2017-2018



### Revenue Generation 2017-2018

