



FY 2023 – 2025 State Budget Priorities
Library Service Contracts

WLA supports a request for an increase of \$29,800 in FY25 to fully fund the estimated costs of maintaining the existing service levels for four library service contracts.

DPI contracts with four providers: the Milwaukee Public Library (MPL), the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-Madison), the Wisconsin Talking Book and Braille Library (WTBBL), and the Cooperative Children’s Book Center (CCBC) to provide access to unique resources and materials.

- The UW-Madison and MPL lend materials to residents living in all parts of the state in response to requests forwarded by the Resources for Libraries and Lifelong Learning staff or public library systems.
- WTBBL provides specialized services to certified blind and physically handicapped persons throughout the state. While the Library of Congress provides the recorded and braille materials (estimated annual value of \$376,700), the state is obligated to provide for processing, maintenance, and circulation.
- CCBC services extend beyond the UW-Madison campus to provide information, outreach, and continuing education opportunities for public and school librarians, teachers, and others throughout Wisconsin.

Increased funding of the DPI contracts with providers of specialty library services will maintain existing service levels and allow continuation of statewide access to valuable resources and services. The funding request for library service contracts is shown below.

	2023-24 Request	2024-25 Request
Requested Funding	\$1,367,700	\$1,397,500
Less Base	\$1,367,700	\$1,367,700
Requested Change	\$0	\$29,800

Contract	FY23 Base	FY24 Projection	FY 25 Projection
UW Madison	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
MPL-ILL	\$72,200	\$186,900	\$192,100
MPL-WTBBL	\$1,057,700	\$925,900	\$954,700
CCBC	\$157,800	\$165,700	\$170,700
Total Costs (Rounded)	\$1,367,700	\$1,358,500	\$1,397,500
Change to FY23 Base		-\$9,200	\$29,800
DPI Request		\$0	\$29,800