



Webseite Chat  
with Jennie Stapp  
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# Trust for Montana Libraries priorities

**Presented by Stu Wilson, Kirsten Cooper, and Bruce Newell**

## **Fundraising goals:**

1. Early literacy program focused on reading proficiency
2. Creative aging
3. Courier
4. Marketing and public awareness

## **Advocacy goal:**

1. Legislative appropriation to support resource sharing legislation, MCA 22-1-328

**Look for information about their fall fundraising campaign**

# MLA Government Affairs update

Presented by Rachel Rawn

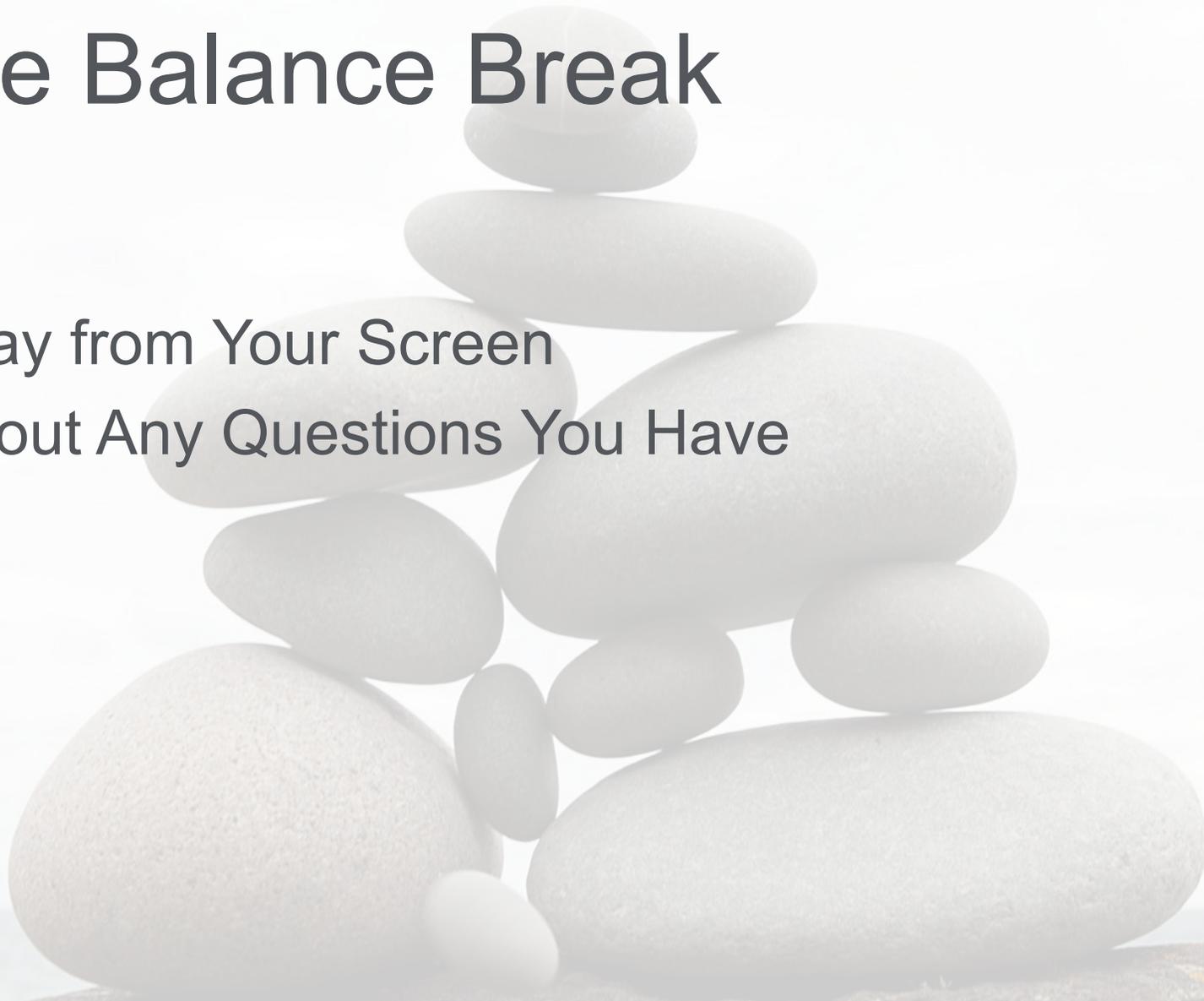
## Legislative goal:

1. Legislative appropriation to support resource sharing legislation, MCA 22-1-328

## Statewide Interlibrary Resource-Sharing Program

**22-1-328. Statewide interlibrary resource-sharing program.** The commission shall establish a statewide interlibrary resource-sharing program. The purpose of the program is to **administer funds appropriated by the legislature** to support and facilitate **resource-sharing among libraries** in Montana, including but not limited to **public** libraries, public library **districts**, libraries operated by **public schools** or school districts, libraries operated by **public colleges** or **universities**, **tribal libraries**, libraries operated by public agencies for institutionalized persons, and libraries operated by **nonprofit**, private **medical**, **educational**, or **research** institutions.

# 1-Minute Balance Break



- ✓ Stretch
- ✓ Look Away from Your Screen
- ✓ Think About Any Questions You Have

# FY '24 Library Development Plan

Montana State Library identified 39 fiscal-year priorities that will serve as steppingstones toward the long-term goals defined in the LSTA five-year plan:

1. All Montanans have access to library content, services, and information to achieve their personal, educational, and professional goals.
2. All Montanans have sufficient access to and can use technology to enable their personal, educational, and professional growth.
3. All Montanans live in communities where the local government and library work together to build resilient communities.
4. All Montanans have access to learning experiences that support personal, educational, and professional growth.

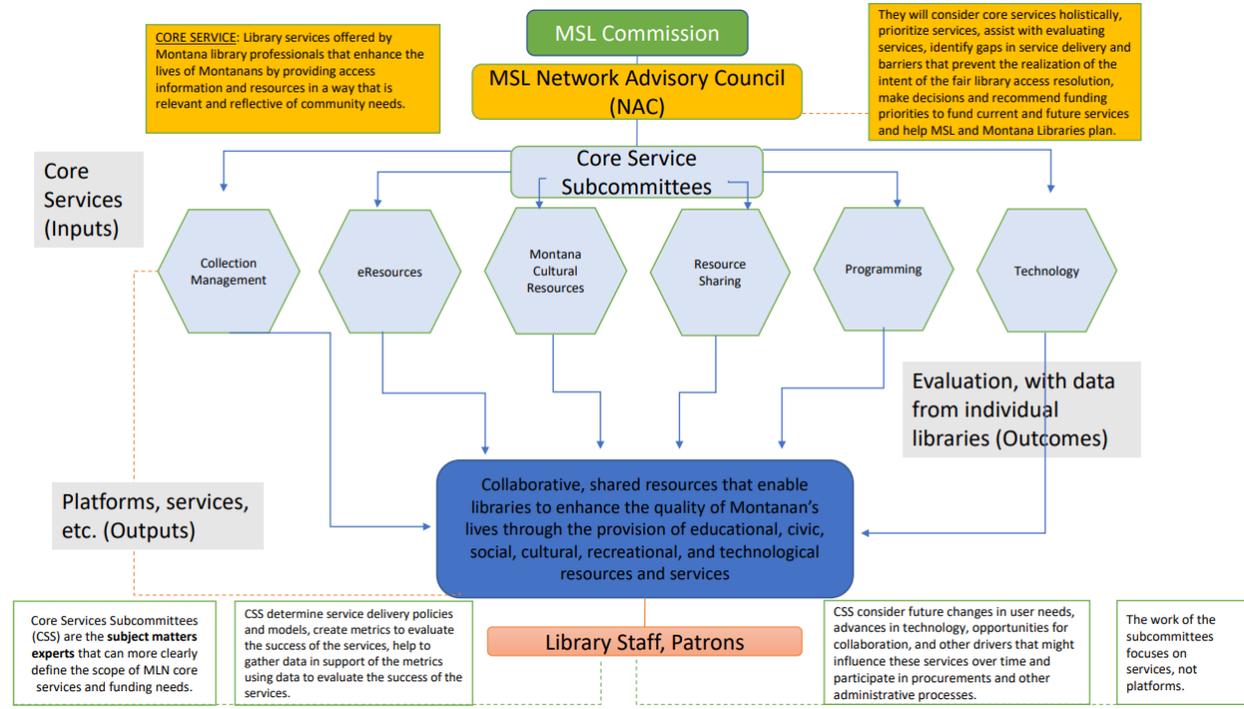
Each of the 39 projects has a fiscal-year objective.

Staff achieved seven (18%) of these short-term objectives in the first quarter of the year (shaded green).

Two projects (shaded orange) cannot be completed with current resources, though they were still recognized as priorities.

The projects described in the plan will be incorporated into the Montana State Library Work Plan, where staff can record monthly updates.

# Core Services Conversations



## Goals:

1. Encourage input from the MT library community.
2. Help us plan for the success of these services.
3. Imagine these services in the context of library and community priorities.
4. Evaluate the success of current services.
5. Plan for the future of these and other core services.

# Single cost share formula

- The goal of changing the cost share formulas for our statewide project to a single formula are to:
  - Have sharing models that are not use-based because use-based models have the potential to result in swings in costs and could unintentionally discourage users
  - Using a single sharing model for each statewide project to simplify budget calculations and cost projections for the State Library and Montana libraries
  - To align cost share models with the formula for state aid if appropriate
  - To give libraries more timely information about their costs for budgeting purposes
- Most libraries costs will remain largely the same
- Some libraries would see relatively significant increases or decreases using this model
- We are evaluating how to minimize the impact of these swings through a phased in approach over several years
- What the NAC heard:
  - We need to better clearly communicate the value of the services and the problems with the current formulas.
  - We need to make a final decision about per capita state aid for tribal college libraries

# Change in Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM)

- **Public library standards** – degree requirement; budget growth requirement; define hardship; define deferral process;
- **State aid** – amend formula to include tribal college libraries
- **Timeline:**
  - July 2023
    - Task force sat and initial charge given
  - July through September
    - Research, discussion, recommendations review by library community
  - October 2023
    - Draft ARM to Commission
  - November 2023
    - Public comment period
  - December 2023
    - Public hearing
    - Commission adopts final ARM

We are here

# Upcoming Events

- Public Library Standards ARM Hearing
  - December 1
  - 1:00
- MSL Commission
  - December 6
  - 9:00 – 1:00
- Visit the [ASPeN Event Calendar](#) for Meeting Links and Information



# Information and News Sources



- [MSL Website](#)
- [Newsletters](#)
- [MSL Help Desk](#)
- [ASPeN Events Calendar](#)
- [MSL Learn](#)
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Questions?



# MSL Evaluation Survey



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