

In just one day...

- 25,400** people walk through the doors of New Mexico Public Libraries!!
- 33,165** books, movies, cds, and more, are borrowed from New Mexico Public Libraries!!
- 6,480** people use computers at New Mexico Public Libraries!!
- 4,242** reference questions are answered at New Mexico Public Libraries!!
- 1,326** people attend programs at New Mexico Public Libraries!!



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November 2, 2010**

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Academic
Public
School
and Tribal
Libraries
in New Mexico**

*...where you can read, write, study,
research, learn, compute, surf,
and be entertained!*

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WHY IS A QUALITY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA PROGRAM IMPORTANT?

SCHOOL LIBRARIES ARE CRITICAL FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. In schools with quality library programs, student performance on annual academic assessments consistently averaged 8-10 points higher than other schools

SCHOOL LIBRARIES INSPIRE LITERACY. Research has shown that school libraries have the tools to inspire literacy in learners of all ages. When students have the opportunity to choose meaningful literature and to explore information that matters to them, many forms of literacy emerge and develop.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES PROVIDE EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT TO ALL STUDENTS. Well-funded school libraries provide access to information and literature for all children, including those with little personal means to obtain reading and electronic resources.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES CAN BE A KEY INFLUENCE IN THE COMMUNITY. Today's school libraries must be gathering places for people of all ages and all interests to learn, to explore and to debate ideas. They must be accessible to the total school community, on-site or remotely; they must help to provide a community network of information and education services for people of all ages.

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NEW MEXICO TRIBAL LIBRARIES

There are eighteen tribal public libraries in New Mexico and one developing public library. Each library serves as a traditional resource and information center by providing services and materials to community members of all ages, as well as providing the only computer access for many students and job seekers. They also serve as a cultural resource by providing classes and materials in their respective Native languages and traditional arts and crafts. Tribal libraries receive varying degrees of support from tribal governments. While the majority of pueblos and tribes recognize that tribal libraries are important for the community, they have limited budgets and are not able to provide funding at levels adequate to support and sustain a quality library.

In just one day:

- 551** people walk through the doors of NM tribal public libraries
- 239** books, movies, CDs, and more, are borrowed from NM tribal public libraries
- 287** people use computers at NM tribal public libraries
- 135** reference questions are answered at NM tribal public libraries
- 129** people attend programs at NM tribal public libraries

NM ACADEMIC LIBRARIES STATE FACTS

Requests for service & materials continue to rise.

In 2009:

- **102 thousand** materials shared between libraries
- **350 thousand** reference questions answered
- **3.5 thousand** library tours conducted
- **1.7 million** materials checked out
- **8 million** visits to NM libraries

Passing this Bond during the November 2010 election will enable public academic libraries to:

- Provide 24/7 access to library information resources for all campus-wide and distance education students, faculty, and staff--no matter where they live;
- Support our students and faculty by developing and updating current library materials in community college and university libraries;
- Assist in meeting accreditation¹

GO Bonds provide up to 25% of New Mexico academic library materials

¹NM Consortium of Academic Libraries (NMCAL) 11-18-09