

WISCONSIN VALLEY LIBRARY SERVICE

Fact Sheet – January 2016

Founded	August 1961
Web Site	http://wvls.org
Area Served	7,360 square miles including the north central Wisconsin counties of Clark, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida and Taylor
Population Served	281,421 (2013 municipal/extended county population)
Number of Libraries	Service is provided through 25 public libraries and approximately 200 non-public libraries.
Governance	<p>WVLS operates under Chapter 43 of the WISCONSIN STATUTES and is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees. Each participating county has at least one member on the board – the rest are allocated according to population. Trustees are appointed by the Chairs of the County Boards of Supervisors.</p> <p>The current officers of the Board are: President – Tom Bobrofsky (Clark County) Vice-President – Douglas Lay (Marathon County) Treasurer – Michael Otten (Marathon County)</p>
Current Director	Marla Sepnafski 300 North First St., Wausau, WI 54403-5473 Telephone: (715)261-7251 Fax: (715)261-7259 Email: msepnafs@wvls.org
Location	The WVLS rents space from and operates out of the Marathon County Public Library, 300 North First Street, Wausau, WI 54403.
Budget & Funding	The 2016 budget is \$1,816,078. About 50% of our revenue comes from the State of Wisconsin, 29% from member public libraries, 2.5% comes from member counties and the remainder comes from interest on investments, grants, service contracts, etc.
Major Services	Internet access; V-Cat, a shared automation system; courier service to/from all Wisconsin's public libraries; reference services and facilitated resource sharing; consultant services and training for area library personnel and trustees; digital/online resources; and technical support.
Staff	7.40 full time equivalents
State View	WVLS is one of 17 library systems in the state. Systems range in size from one to ten counties.