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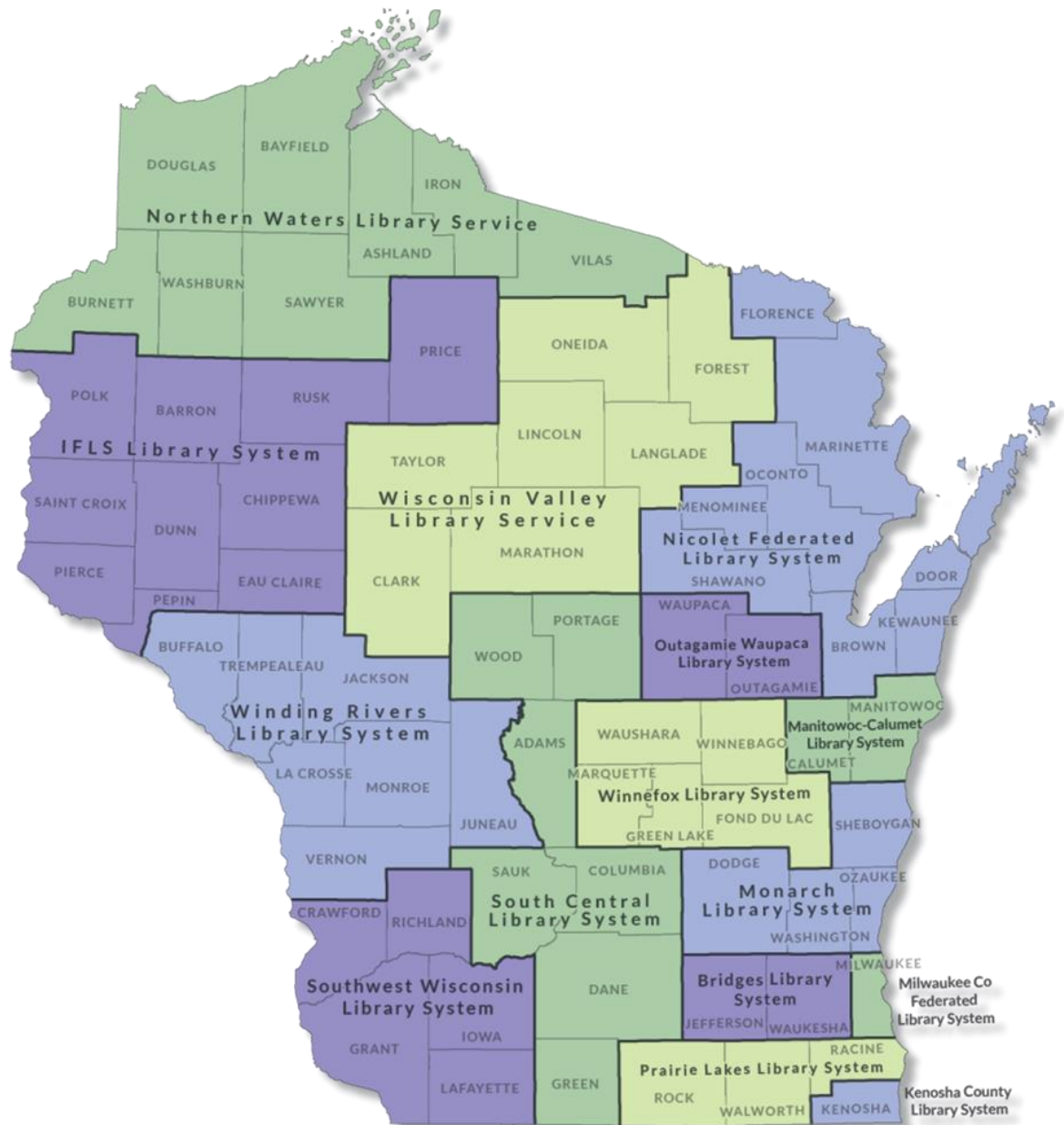


Wisconsin Valley Library Service

2023 Fact Sheet

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| Founded | August 1961 |
| Web Site | wwls.org |
| Area Served | 7,360 square miles including the north central Wisconsin counties of Clark, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida and Taylor. |
| Population Served | 286,711 (total member county population in 2021) |
| Libraries Served | Service is provided to 25 public libraries at 35 service sites, as well as at school, academic and non-public libraries across the seven-county service area. |
| Major Services | Online library catalog administration, collective purchasing, internet access, technical expertise and support, website development and marketing support, online resources/databases, makerspace and literacy kits, courier service, consultant service, continuing education and training for library personnel and trustees. |
| 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. Chairs of the County Boards of Supervisors appoint trustees to the WVLS Board.</p> <p>Current officers of the Board are: President – Tom Bobrofsky (Clark County) Vice-President – Pat Pechura (Oneida County) Treasurer – Michael Otten (Marathon County)</p> |
| Director | Marla Sepnafski 300 North First St. Wausau, WI 54403-5473 Telephone: (715)261-720 Email: msepnafski@wwls.org |
| Location | 300 N 1 st St Wausau, WI 54403 |
| Budget & Funding | Total operating revenue to provide services in 2023 is \$1,430,839. Approximately 79% of our revenue comes from the State of Wisconsin, 17% from member public libraries, 3% from member counties, and 1% from state systems and interest/investments. |
| Staff | 8.35 full time equivalents |
| State View | WVLS is one of 15 library systems in the state. Systems range in size from one to ten counties. |

Wisconsin Library Systems



Contact information for each library system on reverse side

Wisconsin Library Systems

| System and Address | Director, Phone, Email |
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| Bridges Library System 741 North Grand Avenue Suite 210 Waukesha, WI 53186-4841 | Karol Kennedy, Director (262) 896-8080 kkennedy@bridgeslibrarysystem.org |
| IFLS Library System 1538 Truax Boulevard Eau Claire, WI 54703-1569 | John Thompson, Director (715) 839-5082, Ext 116 thompson@ifls.lib.wi.us |
| Kenosha County Library System 812 56 th Street Kenosha, WI 53142-3735 | Barbara Brattin, Director (262) 564-6324 bbrattin@mykpl.info |
| Manitowoc-Calumet Library System 707 Quay Street Manitowoc, WI 54220-4539 | Rebecca Scherer, Director (920) 686-3051 rscherer@mcls.lib.wi.us |
| Milwaukee County Federated Library System 709 North 8th Street Milwaukee, WI 53233-2414 | Steve Hesar, Director (414) 286-8149 steve.hesar@mcfls.org |
| Monarch Library System 4632 South Taylor Drive Sheboygan, WI 53081-1107 | Rita Grover, Director (920) 208-4900, Ext 312 rgrover@monarchlibraries.org |
| Nicolet Federated Library System 1595 Allouez Avenue Suite 4 Green Bay, WI 54311-6267 | Tracy Vreeke, Director (920) 448-4414 tvreeke@nflsoffice.org |
| Northern Waters Library Service 3200 Lakeshore Drive East Ashland, WI 54806-2510 | Sherry Machones, Director (715) 682-2365 smachones@northernwaters.org |
| Outagamie Waupaca Library System 3373 W Brewster Street Appleton, WI 54914-1602 | Bradley Shipps, Director (920) 832-6368 bshipps@owlsweb.org |
| Prairie Lakes Library System 29134 Evergreen Drive Suite 600 Waterford, WI 53185-5116 | Steve Ohs, Director (262) 514-4500, Ext 68 soh@prairielakes.info |
| South Central Library System 4610 South Biltmore Lane Suite 101 Madison, WI 53718-2153 | Martha Van Pelt, Director (608) 246-7975 mvanpelt@scls.info |
| Southwest Wisconsin Library System 1300 Industrial Drive Suite 2 Fennimore, WI 53809-9579 | David Kranz, Director (608) 822-3393 dkranz@swls.org |
| Winding Rivers Library System 980 West City Highway 16 Suite 1 West Salem, WI 54669-1946 | Kristen Anderson, Director (608) 789-7151, Ext 101 kristen@wrlsweb.org |
| Winnefox Library System 106 Washington Avenue Oshkosh, WI 54901-4985 | Jeffery Gilderson-Duwe, Director (920) 236-5220 gilderson-duwe@winnefox.org |
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