Minnesota's Multitypes

Helping libraries do together what they can't do alone

What We Do

1809 attendees
at 93 professional
development events

7 regions
delivering
information and
connecting 1658
libraries across
multiple media
platforms to
improve library
services

$59,441
for 172
scholarships
for library
professional
development
and
continuing
education

Multitypes: Minnesota's Investment in Libraries
For more information -- http://bit.ly/1mkQ2G1

Data taken from FY2016
Serving Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, Washington counties.

Metronet connects 584 libraries of all types in the metropolitan area. Metronet’s mission is to aid libraries by leveraging existing library strengths and resources and by working with libraries to build staff capacity so libraries can achieve more together than they could independently.

- Collaborates with several metro public school districts to connect teachers and media specialists through the Metronet Information Literacy Initiative (MILI). This yearlong training around how to teach research skills to K12 students, how to find and use reliable resources, and how to teach ethical use of information. Tailored to each district’s needs and integrates technology where it enhances student learning and teaching. MILI is standards driven and research-based.
- MetroBriefs, a bi-weekly newsletter, connects librarians with current information, programming inspiration, grant sources, and CE opportunities.
- Connects more than 1000 teens annually with authors and books at Teen Lit Con. In partnership with MELSA.
- Leverages Minnesota’s investment in ELM databases by connecting library staff to training at ELM Expos.
- Manages the Minnesota Library Jobline to connect employers and candidates.

“I appreciate Metronet as a cross-pollinator—all types of libraries benefit and connect because of your programs like Wind Downs, MetroBriefs, trainings, events, & more. Keep it up!”
   - Public Librarian

“MetroBriefs “is by far the most interesting and relevant piece of mail I receive!”
   - Special Librarian

“The MILI experience allowed for a common experience to link the classroom teacher and the media specialist more closely than before.”
   - HS Language Arts Teacher