

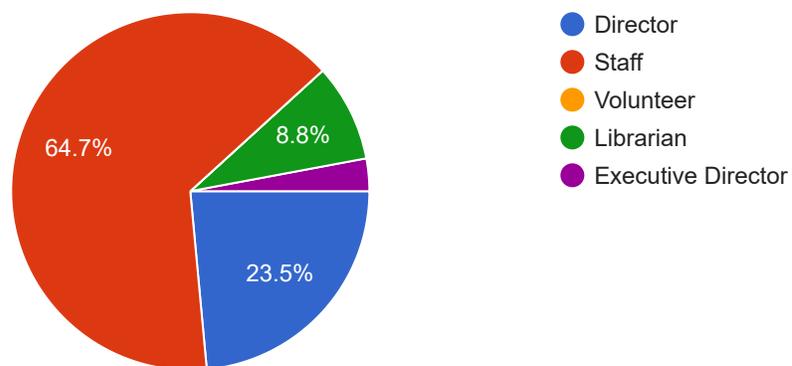
MVLS Survey 2021 - Library Directors and Staff

34 responses

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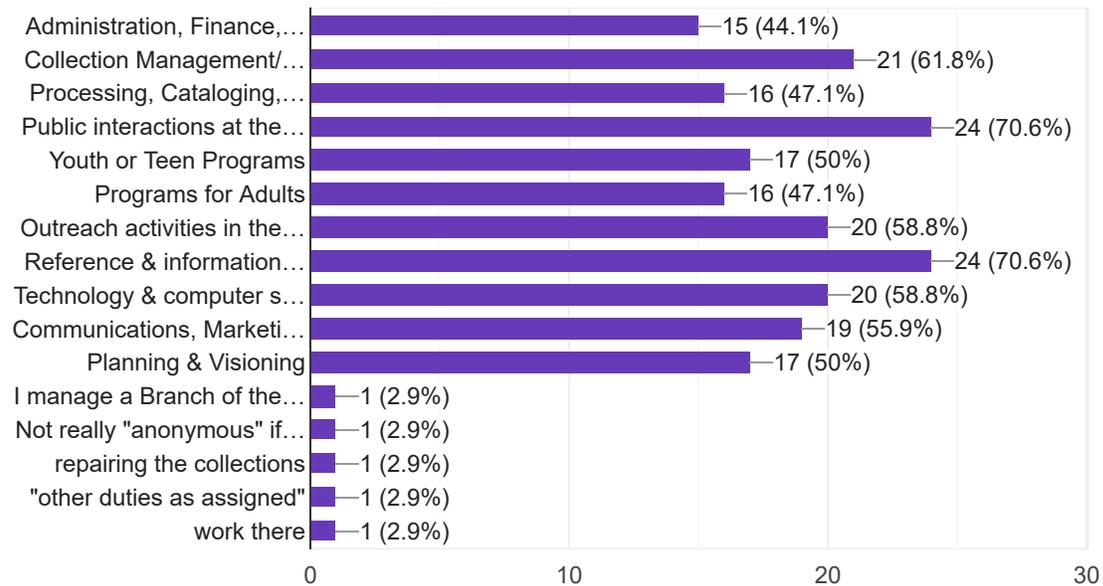
1. What is your current role at your library?

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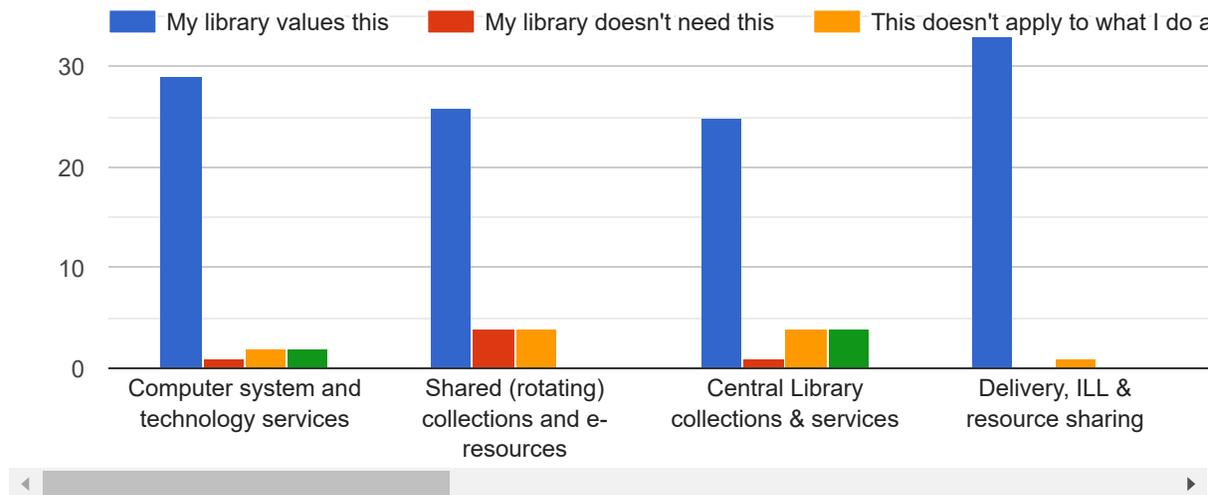


2. Which of the following tasks do you typically work on?

34 responses



3. Please share your impressions of the following MVLS services.



4 Please offer any additional comments on the items in question 3

10 responses

WE go above and beyond to offer services to our Patrons

Is this services from MVLS to other member libraries or from branch libraries to the communities?

I appreciate that you have multiple titles for bookclubs but I don't think it is easy to find what is available.

Information on grant opportunities and program facilitators is also much appreciated!

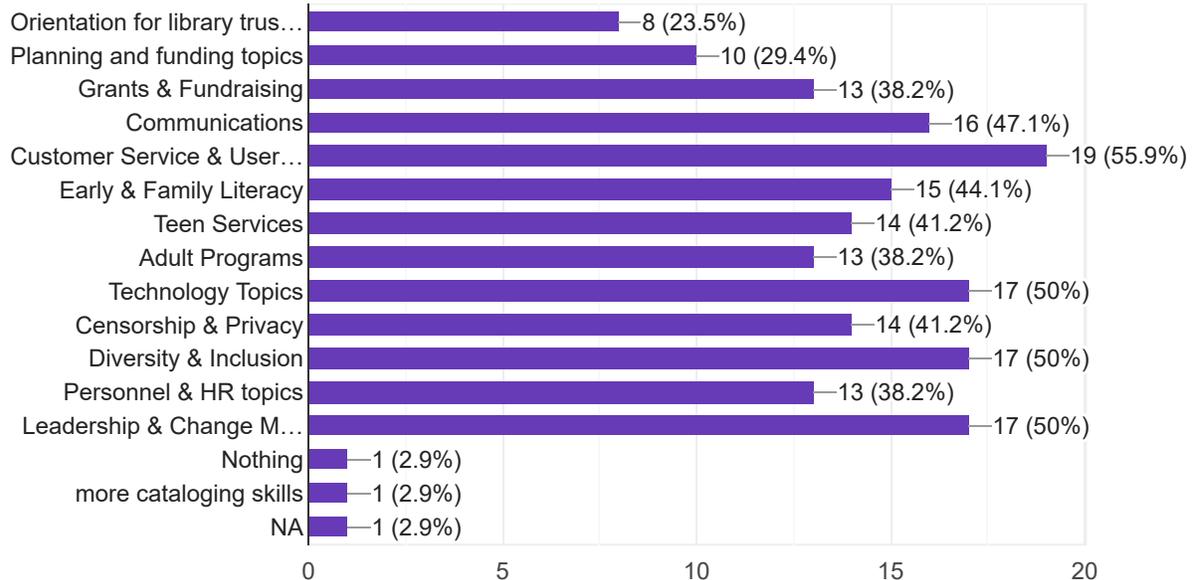
displays and making the collections appealing

More leadership on collaborations as well as assistance with programs that are avaiable or funded through other sources would be appreciated.

It would be helpful to have a collection of resources to share programming best practices, ideas, searchable database of what works for people.

5. What training opportunities would you take advantage of if offered?

34 responses



6. Please list the best three things MVLS did for your library in the past 3 years

34 responses

provided Covid procdue and requiements informaton, offered grants, provided trustee education

Loaning materials, workshops

CBA Books, Computers, Technology-Digitals

Online Library resources have been great, The Adult Literacy Project, and the resources to combat racism

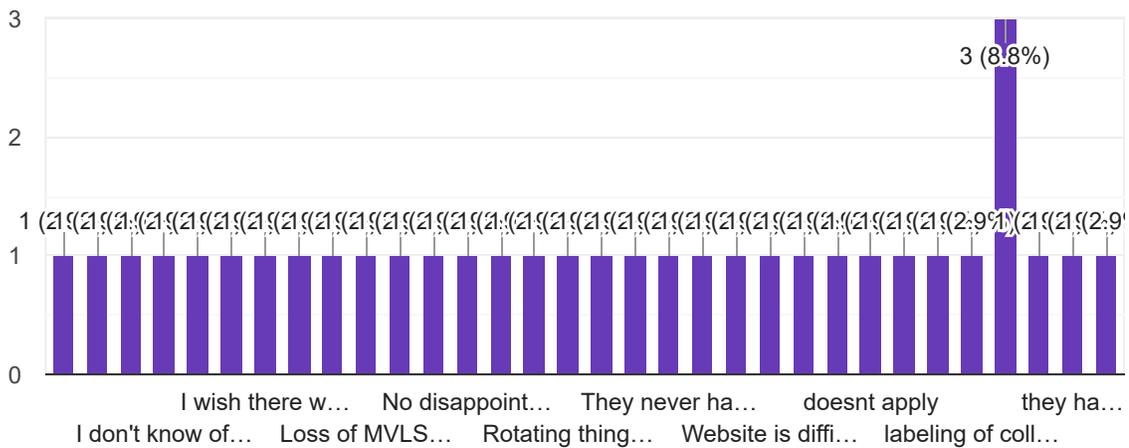
Sharon is always available to answer questions They keep me informed , theyhelp when I s They keep me informed of missing items, unclaimed items, in transit items. They always help when we have a computer glich.s

Can't think of any from my POV

They have provided grants, continuing education/networking opportunites, and program materials that can be borrowed for children's programs

7. Please list the ways MVLS has disappointed your library in the last 3 years

34 responses



8. What do you see as your library's biggest challenges in the next few years?

34 responses

Funding, community engagement, building repairs

Funding

Staffing/Budget

Staffing and hours of operation

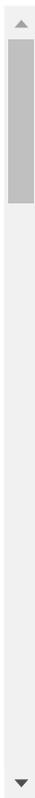
Our hours of operation, staffing

Getting back up and running to some semblance of "normal" after the pandemic.

understaffing, technology issues

staff turn over & accessibility

building repairs; director replacement; tech vs paper



9. What are your dreams for your library in the next few years?

34 responses

widespread broadband availability in our community, good attendance at programming, a sustainable collaboration with the school for SRP

In person programs

Becoming user friendly/meeting needs of community

More hours of operation and programs to resume as they once did.

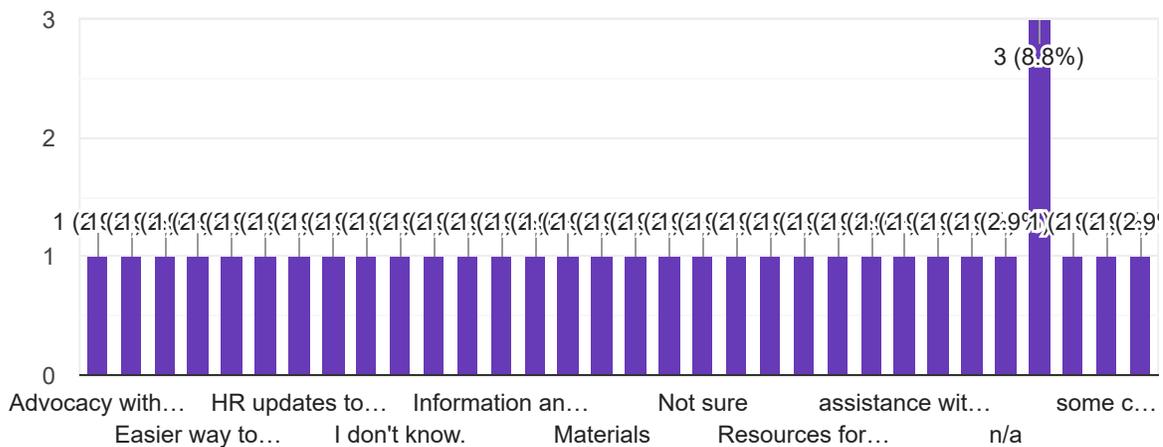
To be open five days a week!

To join UHLS, since our demographics and town lines match much more closely to their demographics than the outlying library systems within MVLS currently.

right now, being able to do programming inside the library, but also hiring more professional staff, being able to reach more varied audiences with our programs and services

10. What do you need from MVLS to assist your library with its challenges & dreams?

34 responses



11. What was positive and/or negative in the MVLS response to the COVID-19 pandemic?

31 responses

Positives were regular Directors' Council Mtgs, negatives were efforts at one-size-fits-all solutions,

Would have been nice if it had been a hub for other libraries to connect

Was there one sorry I didn't know- except for the passage of what to do with materials

Extra digital resources was a huge help

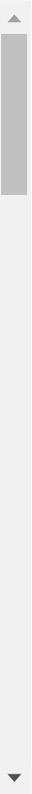
They responded quickly when a need came up

Wasn't aware of a response.

good response

MVLS provided outstanding guidance

dissemination of State info: collapse of connectivity to consultants



12. Please provide any other comments you would like to share with MVLS in the box below

16 responses

NA

The MVLS Director made valiant efforts to locate and share information during Covid

Thank you for all you hard work.

I appreciate MVLS's consistent efforts to assess the needs and requirements of the libraries within their system.

I don't have much direct contact except that you deal with the collection. You are great about record set changes. I wish I knew more about what you do.

MVLS used to have a books-by-mail collection for the homebound which was a huge asset and would be greatly appreciated. They also used to offer ILL services, ditto.

Collaboration, sharing ideas, and mutual support is so important, especially for libraries with very few staff members. It's hard being the only one in a particular role, and easy to lose sight of the big picture, what are realistic expectations, when enough

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