

For the public

- Everyone can use the resources of the State Library which focus on public policy, government, law, legislation, Connecticut history and genealogy. The collections include books, journals, maps, documents, archives, photographs and newspapers, as well as electronic databases.

For Librarians

- The Division of Library Development provides leadership, funding, education, and statewide services that enhance a local library's ability to deliver high-quality library service to their community. (See DLD by the Numbers – attached)

For State Agencies

- The Connecticut State Library is the primary resource for all state agency research needs providing access to premier collections in public policy, government, law, legislation, history and genealogy.
- The State Library also maintains the official repository for all state publications.
- It provides agencies with records management assistance and formulates all records retention schedules for state and local government.

For Local Governments

- The State Library offers resources for and about the state's municipalities. Several types of State Library-administered grant programs support local communities. The State Library's Public Records Management Program provides a number of forms, schedules, and trainings for municipal governments.
- Public Records Retention Schedules
- Town Clerks' Workshops
- Historic Documents Preservation Grants
- Links to Municipal Government Resources
- Listing of Connecticut's Municipal Historians

For Legal & Legislative Research

- State Library is the Principal Law Library for the state providing resources to lawyers and pro se patrons alike.
- Maintains the legislative history for all bills raised and acted on by the General Assembly
- Maintains the official transcripts of all legislative hearings and sessions

State Archives

- Since 1855, the Connecticut State Library has acquired historical records from the three branches of State government. In 1909, the General Assembly made the State Library the official State Archives. Today, the Archives includes more than 32,000 cubic feet of records documenting the evolution of state public policy and its implementation, the rights and claims of citizens, and the history of Connecticut and its people.
- Records dating to 1632 including the Royal Charter, Fundamental Orders, all US founding documents including one of only 9 copies of the Goddard printing of the Declaration of Independence

Museum of Connecticut History

- Collections focusing on the political, industrial and military history of Connecticut
- Premier Colt firearms collection
- One of the most complete US coin collection in the world

Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

- The Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is a network library of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress.
- The Library provides free mail loan of recorded and Braille books and magazines and necessary playback equipment to eligible state residents unable to read conventional print because of a visual or physical disability to over 10,000 Connecticut residents.