Our Vision for Seattle
A city where imagination and opportunity thrive.

Our Mission
The Seattle Public Library brings people, information and ideas together to enrich lives and build community.

Guiding Principles
Support intellectual freedom
Promote literacy and the love of reading
Protect confidentiality of patron records
Respect and embrace the entire community
Foster a healthy democracy
Support children, youth and families
Form strong partnerships
Adapt and innovate

PROGRAM OF SERVICE
Access
Civic Engagement
Cultural Enrichment
Literacy, Learning, and Achievement

BUSINESS MODEL
Workforce
Capacity and Development
Data and Metrics
Long Term Sustainability
Race and Social Justice
Strategic Communications

AREAS OF IMPACT
Youth and Family Learning
Technology and Access
Re-imagined Spaces
Seattle Culture and History
Community Engagement

The Library makes a difference in people’s lives and in the greater community
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COMMUNITY
Target service priorities to achieve lasting community impacts

INSTITUTION
Build the internal infrastructure necessary for institutional success

INDIVIDUAL
Deliver core library services to support individual needs