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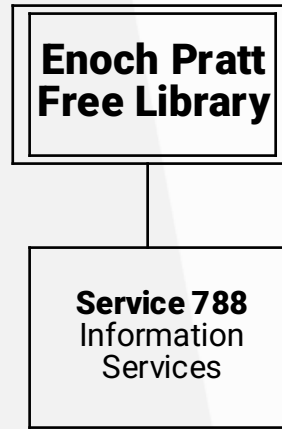
# **Fiscal 2026 Recommended Budget**

## **Enoch Pratt Free Library**

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# Org Chart



# Fiscal 2026 Agency Overview

## Enoch Pratt Free Library Mission

- Mission statement: The mission of the Enoch Pratt Free Library is to empower, enrich, and enhance the quality of life for all through equitable access to information, services, and opportunity for all, rich and poor, without distinction of race or color.

## Fiscal 2026 Goals

**Goal 1** : Create a Sustainable Infrastructure

**Goal 2** : Strong Organizational Culture

**Goal 3** : Transformative and Empowering Programs and Services



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# Service 788 - Information Services

**Pillar**  
Prioritizing Our Youth

**FY26 Rec. Budget**  
\$48,446,191

**FY26 Rec. Positions**  
448

## Service Description

- This service is responsible for operating the City’s public library system and the State Library Resource Center for the State of Maryland.

## Major Operating Budget Highlights

- Maintaining current full-time position staffing levels across General and grant funding sources.
- Increasing funding for books and periodicals replacement by \$148,000 to replenish library circulation materials.
- Decreasing funding for office furniture and equipment by \$113,000 based on historical spend.

## Performance Measures

Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23 Actual	FY24 Target	FY24 Actual	FY25 Target	FY26 Target
# of materials circulated	1,205,355	1,730,178	1,939,908	1,850,000	2,417,203	1,850,000	2,000,000
# of visits to the library	226,474	804,989	994,658	975,000	1,192,264	975,000	1,000,000

# Questions & Discussion



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