Mission Statement

The Butte College Library is committed to providing quality information resources and services that meet the curriculum needs of our students. The Library also assists in fulfilling the diverse information needs of our entire college community and teaches information literacy skills used in lifelong learning.

Program Description

*Information Resources* The library has developed an electronic collection of over 28,000 eBooks, and 64 databases of full-text articles published from over 29,000 journals, magazines and newspapers. All the electronic resources are available on the Library home page for students to access 24/7 from anywhere through the Internet. A print collection of 62,000 books and 162 periodicals are available for students to consult or check out.

*Library Services* The library on the main campus opens 46.5 hours a week providing a full range of information services which include Circulation and Course reserve, Reference and Instruction, Interlibrary Loan, and Acquisition and Cataloging. In addition, students get real-time one-on-one reference assistance from professional librarians 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the library web page. The Library provides bibliographic instruction to classes at the Glenn Center upon instructors’ requests.

*Chico Center Library* The Chico Center Library consists of library services and media services and opens 60.5 hours a week. The Library provides students with course reserve, test proctoring for onsite and online classes, 24 hours a week reference services, drop-in workshops, and bibliographic instruction sessions to individual classes. A collection of 586 DVDs/VHS are available for students to check out.

*Information Literacy Program* The Library offers online tutorials, bibliographic instruction sessions to individual classes, drop-in workshops and orientations to students and Flex workshops to faculty and staff. The library also provides a one-unit information literacy course LIS 11 which is transferable to Chico State and a half-a-unit course LIS 126 which teaches research skills.

Future Development Strategies

The Library serves as an Information Commons supporting and enhancing student learning and research by providing state of the art technology and information resources and services.

*Developing Online Electronic Resources* We will continue to develop electronic resources of databases and eBooks accessible 24/7 via the Internet to serve all students equally, whether they are on main campus, distance learners, or at the college’s extension sites.

*Building Information Literacy Programs* We will continue to build our information fluency program and expand the modes of delivery of our information literacy instruction by strengthening our online tutorials, expanding library credit courses, and making them available online.

*Developing Online Services* We will continue to develop and offer library services online to the faculty and students in the areas of reference services, instruction, circulation, collection development, and interlibrary loan.
Developing Butte College Archive We’ll continue to work with the college foundation to develop and expand the Butte College Archives to host Butte College records of permanent historical value and published and unpublished materials that document the history of Butte College.

Establishing a Library Mobile Lab at the Chico Center for Bibliographic Instruction We will seek funding to purchase portable devices to establish a Library Mobile Lab at the Chico Center so that Bibliographic Instruction sessions can be conducted in regular classrooms as the Chico Center computer labs are not always available.

How the Future Development Strategy Supports the District’s Strategic Plan

Focusing on Student Success The Library will continue to create a supportive and innovative student-centered learning environment in the library to improve retention and student success. We will also continue to provide and expand online resources, instruction, and services for student success on Main campus, at Chico and Glenn centers, and at a distance.

Valuing a Culture of Learning Through its information literacy services, programs and courses, the Library will continue to empower students as life-long learners. Information literacy and life-long learning skills are promoted at various levels and programs, such as one-on-one reference, library workshops, a self-paced online learning module, bibliographic instruction (face-to face and online) and online tutorials that teach students how to effectively find and ethically use information resources. Librarians also serve on committees and the academic Senate and participate in the discussion and planning on basic skills and digital literacy.

Required Resources

On-Going Requirements
- Budget augmentation to maintain the 20hrs/wk Reference services at the Chico Center: $5,508
- A second part-time Reference Librarian for Chico Center Library (20 hrs/wk + benefits): $45,973
- 1 part-time evening library media technician for Chico Center Library (20 hrs/wk + benefits): $18,763
- 1 Reference Librarian position (70% Reference and 30% archives) including Benefits: $68,510

One-Time Requirements
- Maintain the library databases subscriptions: $35,000
- Student Assistants for the circulation, computer commons, technical services: $16,000
- FWS funds to maintain Library circulation, reference and technical services: $42,623
- FWS funds for Chico Center Library to maintain services and operation: $5,600
- Update Library book collection: $15,000
- 8 book carts and new shelving for reserve materials: $2,860
- Mobile lab at the Chico Center Library: $300 x 30 Netbooks: $9,000
- 20 new computers (6 staff office computers, 6 library service desk computers, 8 student computers) to replace outdated ones: $21,500 ($1,075 x 20)
- BC Archives: two 3’ to 4’ tall lockable display cases and an oversize flat file storage case: $4,200
- BC Archives: flatbed & document fed scanner: $1,000

Current Revenue Streams
- Title III grant (2012-2013): $35,000