# Minitex

## Minnesota's publicly funded library consortium

*Federal funding from the Library Services and Technology Act, provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, enables Minitex to collaborate with Minnesota's entire library community. We centralize processes, share resources and infrastructure, and leverage economies of scale to provide* **high-quality services that save money and use public resources as efficiently as possible.**

## Interlibrary Loan

The rich resources of Minnesota libraries, available to patrons and libraries in every corner of the state, via our convenient online portal, MNLINK.org. Thanks to the participation of most public and academic libraries in Minnesota, library patrons have access to a combined catalog of more than **10 million items**.

### Southwest Minnesota Testimonial

*"The process of conducting my research has been greatly facilitated by the ability to request various newspaper microfilms (not digitized), which are subsequently sent to my local library. As a professional writer and researcher, I am immensely grateful for the prompt support provided by MNLINK, which offers an exceptional service throughout the state of Minnesota.*

## eLibrary Minnesota

This collection of education and research resources includes encyclopedia, magazine, journal, and newspaper articles, plus multimedia, primary sources, and more. These resources are essential to the success of Minnesota learners from grade school through graduate school and beyond. Last year, eLibrary Minnesota was searched **55 million** times.

### Northwest Minnesota Testimonial

*"Minitex databases and digital resources are a game-changer for expanding the content we are able to provide to our students."*

### Seven-County Metropolitan Area Testimonial

*Minitex ELM resources provide my health sciences students with opportunities to find out about how to open a private business. Without those free resources, we would have very limited access to business resources.*

# Ebooks Minnesota

Minnesota's statewide ebook collection for readers of all ages. EbooksMN.org offers Minnesota readers nearly 10,000 books, with no need for checkouts or returns. And most Minnesota K-12 schools can add all 10,000 to their local collection with just the click of a mouse. Last year alone, student checkouts went up **25 percent**.

### Seven-County Metropolitan Area Testimonial

*"We had been subscribing to a very expensive ebook platform. After putting the Ebooks Minnesota collection into our district account, we were able to move away from it. Ebooks Minnesota allowed us to provide great options for students and put the savings toward other crucial resources."*

### Southeast Minnesota Testimonial

*"Our district now has an online schooling option and it is nice to be able to have a large library of ebooks for those students to access."*

# Minnesota Digital Library

Historical content from Minnesota's cultural heritage organizations, all in one place. MDL's 60,000 items depict history from all 87 Minnesota counties and are sourced from the collections of 204 historical societies, libraries, archives, and cultural organizations from across the state.

### Seven-County Metropolitan Area Testimonial

*"I just found an interview with my great-grandmother on my bubbie's side and great-grandmother on my zaide's side about Jewish life in St. Paul. I am enraptured. I never heard their voices, and here they are laughing together, the matriarchs of my whole family. I just wanted to share appreciation for this project and everyone on the team, whose efforts to make recordings from decades ago. I can find it on Google, access it on my phone, and share it with my cousins across the country instantly. Thanks for all your work."*