

Friends of the Moultrie-Colquitt County Library

Need You!



The Friends of the Moultrie-Colquitt County Library need your help to secure funding from the Georgia legislature to provide a much needed renovation to the Moultrie Library. Your support is crucial to see that Moultrie receives its share of the renovation funds available.

How You Can Help

You can help by emailing or calling the key legislators listed below. In order to make the greatest impact, we ask that you do this between February 1 and February 8. Ask the legislator to support the Moultrie Colquitt County Library's capital outlay grant request for \$1,386,000 to renovate the Moultrie Library. Be sure to emphasize that the master plan is in place, that the library has the required match in hand, and that the Moultrie project is ranked #2 on the priority list of 11 projects put forward by the Georgia State Library. Any personal comments you can add about the importance of the library to you and our community are helpful as well.

Project Background

1. Total project cost for renovation is \$1,971,000; seeking a \$1,386,000 capital outlay grant from annual funds allocated by the legislature for library building and renovation; library has the required matching amount of \$585,000 in hand.
2. Moultrie Library built in 1965; houses headquarters library for Moultrie Colquitt County Library System, Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library and Bookmobile.
3. Two additions, one in 1975 and one in 1988; building has never been extensively renovated, still has original circulation desk, flooring and some furniture, and needs extensive renovation to meet current usage demands.
4. Master plan is in place that addresses safety and accessibility, improved technology, new children's and teen areas and a more functional layout.

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