MINITEX Resource Sharing
MINITEX Policy Advisory Council
December 12, 2008
Fiscal Year 2008

MINITEX staff took the following resources from the University Libraries FOR Minnesota libraries:

- Loans 40,433 compared with 36,963 in FY07  +9%
- Copies 50,037 compared with 53,127 in FY07  -6%
- Total  90,470 filled loans and copies

In FY08, we received 13,139 requests via Gateway VDX from Gateway Server sites & filled 9,681 – a 74% fill rate
Fiscal Year 2008

MINITEX staff took the following resources from Hennepin County (HCO) – Minneapolis’ collections:

- Loans 10,290 compared with 8,668 in FY07  +19%
- Copies 585 compared with 616 in FY07  -5%
- Total 10,875 filled loans and copies  85% fill rate

In FY08, HCO – Minneapolis received 34,011 requests via Gateway VDX from Gateway Server sites & filled 23,503 -- a 74% fill rate. Therefore, 34,378 loans & copies were filled from the HCO - Minneapolis collections in FY08 for us.
Where Requests Come From
FY08 – 18 libraries = 62% of Req.

- Wisconsin St. Library
- Hennepin Co. Lib. Suburban
- Hennepin Co. Lib. Mpls
- St. Cloud St. University
- St. Paul Public Library
- Dakota County Library
- Washington County Lib
- Traverse des Sioux Lib Sys
- Ramsey Co. Public Lib
- Mn State U Mankato
- SELCO
- Rochester Public Lib
- Anoka County Library
- Great River Reg. Lib
- Kitchigami Reg. Lib
- U of MN Morris
- Carleton College
- St. Olaf College
Where Referrals Went In FY08 –
18 libraries = 58% of Referrals.

- Wisconsin St. Library
- St. Paul Public Library
- Mn State U Mankato
- Great River Reg. Lib
- Rochester Public Library
- Traverse des Sioux Lib S.
- St. John’s U/Co of St. Ben
- Dakota County Library
- Ramsey County Pub Lib.
- Pioneerland Lib Sys
- Mayo Foundation Lib
- Univ of Alberta
- Hennepin County Suburban
- U of St. Thomas & Law
- St. Cloud St. Univ. Lib
- SELCO
- So Central Lib Sys-Wisc
- Gustavus Aldolphus Col
What does all this mean?

- Integrated academic and public library collections into one large shared collection of over 33 million volumes - includes K12 schools in at least three regional library systems.

- RAISED EXPECTATIONS of patrons so that most regular library users feel they can get anything from anywhere in a very reasonable time frame.

- Interlibrary loan heavily used by students, faculty, teachers, homeschoolers, kids, parents, researchers, the general public, state government employees, and businesses.
Request Traffic by System: FY 2008

- Aleph
- E-Mail
- MnLINK VDX
- OCLC
- Web
- WISCAT

Requests
MINITEX Total Volume – 10 years +
Filled Requests at U of M Campus Libraries 1999-2008

- Total Fills
- Copies
- Loans

FY99 FY00 FY01 FY02 FY03 FY04 FY05 FY06 FY07 FY08

- 160000
- 140000
- 120000
- 100000
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**VDX Gateway Borrowing Traffic: Projections FY’09 - FY’13**

- **TRAFFIC**
ISO ILL – 10160/10161

- Allows two ILL systems to communicate

- Use in MINITEX region:
  - Aleph ILL
  - VDX/Aleph – testing
NISO Circulation Interchange Protocol (NCIP)

- Use between circ and stand alone ILL:
  - MnLINK Gateway VDX ILL – SirsiDynix Unicorn ILS

- NCIP recently revised to:
  - simplify the requirements
  - improves usability
  - addresses problems
MINITEX Delivery Services

- 30 years plus
- Painted beer cases
- Transitioned to couriers and UPS
- 1 million items
What moves?

- Courtesy returns
- Publications- *LaPrensa*
- Cooperative purchasing materials
- Direct Delivery
- Fills for MINITEX ILL
- Concats materials
- Fills for CIC
Delivery Day

- Monday-Friday, 7:00am – 11:00pm
- Saturday, 8:00am-2:00pm
- Couriers arrive
  - 7:00am, 10:00am
  - 2:00pm, 4:00pm
  - 8:00pm, 11:00pm
  - And 1:00am
What We Do ...

- Pack, sort, repack, resort, tub materials, and package
- Provide tubs, lids, labels, ties, cutters, routing slips
What Else We do

Drive our van daily to:

- Campus Libraries
- Hennepin County - Minneapolis
Delivery Volume over 1 million

- Increases
- UPS
  - Oct. 07, 731
  - Oct. 08, 1313
- Interstate
- Courtesy Returns
- MnLINK Direct Delivery
MnLINK Direct Delivery
The Future

Challenges for Resource Sharing and Delivery
Challenges for Delivery

- Tracking of delivery
  - Interstate
  - Direct Delivery
- Home Delivery
- Fuel costs
- Sustainability of couriers
MINITEX - Challenges for ILL

- E-journals and licensing for ILL
- Electronic delivery options
- Increasing volume of requests
- Restrictions on A-V materials
- NCIP/ISO standards
MINITEX – Challenges

- Given the continuing double digit increase in interlibrary loan requests, how long before our resource sharing system collapses of its own weight?
  - Minitex looking at flat budgets in coming years
  - MnLINK increase in funding probably won’t happen
  - Local libraries are not receiving increases in funding or additional staffing
  - How do we plan to manage this situation in coming years?