Mission, Vision and Strategic Goals

Mission
In support of access to justice, the Hennepin County Law Library ensures access to the body of law and legal materials for all.

Vision
We envision a Hennepin County where access to legal information is available to every person through:

- a strong and relevant collection
- staff who are knowledgeable, diverse and innovative
- creative educational opportunities within welcoming spaces

Strategic Goals
Continue to provide quality legal information and legal research
- Continue providing research, information and background for patrons

Coordinate and provide legal education
- Present CLE (Continuing Legal Education) and public classes
- Offer training and education in legal research for Hennepin County Library staff

Maintain a strong and relevant collection
- Coordinate collection purchases with Hennepin County Library
- Evaluate document conversion to electronic formats for current collection
- Address collection storage and access issues

Cultivate a knowledgeable, diverse and innovative staff
- Engage in staff development and staff exchanges
- Increase staff attendance and participation in continuing education

Ensure access to resources
- Enhance website to promote access to research tools
- Streamline process for referrals between Self-Help Centers, Hennepin County Library and other legal resources
- Coordinate services to Hennepin County correctional facilities
- Develop and offer legal clinics or other access to justice initiatives

Ensure adequate and sustainable funding with the Law Library and County boards
- Consider other sources of revenue
- Develop the annual budget in coordination with the Office of Budget & Finance
- Examine all purchases on a case-by-case basis

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In 2017, we reviewed our 2015 Action Plan. After removing completed objectives, new and continuing objectives were reframed within our Strategic Goals. These Strategic Goals will guide our work through 2017.