Expanding and enhancing library space is essential in serving NDSU’s vibrant learning community. Ultimately we are striving to create an inviting and inspiring S.P.A.C.E. where students can achieve academic success and prepare for their futures. Last year we had over 150,000 visitors and 247,088 catalog searches. We taught 5,226 students and answered 7,984 research questions.

*Students* are the focus of our services, spaces, and resources.

*Partnerships* cultivate relationships with individuals, departments, organizations, and businesses to advocate for and invest in mutual interests.

*Academics* success is supported through instruction, consultations, and tech rich spaces.

*Collections* are vital to supporting the teaching, learning, and research needs of NDSU and the greater community.

*Engagement* with the community through innovative programming, sponsoring events, and showcasing our collections and services.

Students are the focus of our services, spaces, and resources. Secure innovative and collaborative space for students to conduct research and study to enable them to excel in their programs and become lifelong learners. Donations or an endowment will provide more students with meaningful employment in a supportive, academic environment to help offset the cost of education while developing valuable workplace experience and promoting retention.

We need specialized space for collaborative services with our partners to expand learning opportunities for students. Donor support will provide funding for space and technological enhancements. Partnerships expand our audience, outreach, and campus and community involvement through invested relationships.

Enhancements and expansions will provide active learning spaces for instruction, studying, and research. Funding support will offer sustainability for our 3D printing services; computers in group study rooms; and a new help desk. An endowed position for a two-year visiting instruction librarian. Enhanced support for researchers through improved access to our physical and digital resources.

We need continuous funding for digital and physical collections. We seek financial backing for a new library facility that combines academic and special collections. Improved space efficiency with compact shelving or an automated book retrieval system, and high tech scanning equipment to digitize collections. Funding for staff to digitize, process, and manage collections.

A new auditorium space is essential for library instruction, lecture series, and other programming. A new gallery space to exhibit student research and collections of the Libraries, NDSU departments, and our partners.

Financial support will allow:
- Opportunities to present at professional conferences and meetings.
- Unique programming.
- Extending library services to NDSU Extension offices and the greater community.
- Mobile technologies to enhance outreach experiences and promote active learning.
Our scholars meet one-on-one with library mentors to support them in their individual research activities and for guidance through the research process. This builds the confidence of our scholars and aides in their progression through the TRIO McNair Scholars Program which in turn increases their retention.

- Anna Sheppard, Asst. Director of TRIO

“Great universities require excellent library resources. I believe a quality library is a crucial element in providing a foundation for lifelong learning and in supporting the skills needed to thrive in a global world.”

- Mary Lou Shott, NDSU Alum

“My library is important because the best thing a college can do for the education of its students, professors, and staff members is provide the means to educate themselves as much as they can imagine. Our library is that means.”

- Sara Cramer, Senior in Management Information Systems