



Senator Guy Guzzone, Chair  
Senator Jim Rosapepe, Vice-Chair  
Budget and Taxation Committee  
3 West, Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

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Dear Senator Guzzone, Senator Rosapepe, and members of the Committee:

I am writing to add my voice to those asking for your support in passing **Libraries - Aging Infrastructure Capital Improvement Grant Program - Established**, as a critical and much-needed expansion to the Library Capital Grant program.

The Ruth Enlow Library has five facilities, the newest of which is approaching 20 years old, and the oldest of which is located in a defunct 100+ year old former school building. Oakland's Main Library, indeed, is 73 years old and in serious need of a remodel that accommodates modern technological, ADA and space needs. With many other libraries up and down the State dealing with similar issues, such an initiative would be transformative for the communities they serve.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support of Maryland's libraries and the people they serve!

Sincerely,

Thomas Vose  
Director, Ruth Enlow Library of Garrett County