

SILVER SPRING LIBRARY
8901 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring, MD. 20910



About the Library: The Silver Spring Library opened in the current building in 1957. It is approximately 13,600 square feet, with the meeting room on the lower level and the Children’s, Adult, Young Adult, Reference, Circulation and Information desks on the upper level. Silver Spring is one of the most ethnically diverse regions of Montgomery County. Public schools in Silver Spring have a significantly higher percentage of ESOL students than the County does on average. At the same time, a large proportion of the adult population in Silver Spring holds one or more college degrees.

The revitalization of downtown Silver Spring has drawn many new businesses to the area. Hundreds of new housing units will be completed within the next few years. Between 2005 and 2020, the population in the Silver Spring Planning Area is projected to increase by 55% , making it one of the fastest growing areas of the county. Silver Spring—with the second smallest community library in the County, housing fewer books than any other community library—looks forward to a new library building.

- **Facilities:** 1 Meeting Room, Children’s Program Room, Quiet Study Room, 24 hour bookdrop
- **Computers:** 10 computers, Wi-Fi, 2 copiers/printers
- **Nearby Branches:** Long Branch, Wheaton, White Oak

Usage Snapshot: Despite its relatively small size and limited collection space, the Silver Spring Library has seen dramatic growth in usage. Almost 182,000 books and materials were checked out between July and December of 2008. The branch had almost 440,000 visits during that same time period.

Legislative Districts: County Council District 5, Maryland Legislative District 20, U.S. Congressional District 4