Joint Provost/Academic Senate Libraries Committee
Update

Faculty

Q1: What do you rely upon most?

- Access to digital journals

- Monographs and other print resources

- Interlibrary loan

- Research support and instruction from library faculty

- Archives and other specialized collections

Staff

Q1: What do you rely upon most?

- Access to digital resources, particularly journals and streaming services

- Interlibrary loan and course reserves

- Research support and other reference work

- Library spaces

- General study resources (staff members responding from their perspectives as USC students)

Faculty

Q2: How can we collaborate to better support your work?

- More faculty advisory groups for collection development

- More outreach from subject specialist librarians

- Bioinformatics software and research support

- Space for collaborative student projects

- Computational tools, such as software to analyze social media data, and support for undergraduate research

Staff

Q2: How can we collaborate to better support your work?

- More outreach to staff

- Specifically more outreach to health sciences community

- Additional workshops on programs and services (e.g. literature search training for health sciences, data analytics)

- Better connectivity

- Specific resource requests, particularly legal and medical publications

Faculty	**Staff**
Q3: Share a useful program or service from a non-USC library.	**Q3: Share a useful program or service from a non-USC library.**
• Open access support for USC faculty authors	• Open access, open educational resources (CSU Affordable Learning Solutions)
• Shared, off-site storage for print collections	• Access to datasets for more efficient, large-scale mining of metadata and full-text
• Tutorials and support for research data organization and preservation	• Professional development resources
• Broader and deeper oral history collections	• More programming open to the public
• Specific resource requests (e.g. journal titles, electronic databases to which we don't yet subscribe)	• Collaborations with the Office of Sustainability

WORKING DRAFT - Mission

The USC Libraries develop and deliver collections, services, and programs that support and encourage the intellectual and creative endeavors of our community. We experiment, innovate, and cultivate an inclusive community of intellectually enterprising thinkers and doers as we contribute to the development of engaged, ethical, and inspiring global citizens.

WORKING DRAFT - Vision

The USC Libraries will advance groundbreaking scholarship, create ever-more enriching and equitable learning experiences, inspire consequential creativity and informed risk-taking, and make possible increasingly meaningful discoveries as part of the global human community.

WORKING DRAFT - Values and Definitions

1. Integrity
Our actions exemplify our values.

USC Libraries definition: We take ethically and morally grounded actions guided by USC's values and our principles as academic information professionals.

2. Excellence
We bring our best selves.

USC Libraries definition: We strive to achieve the highest standards of discovery, preservation, access to, and applications of scholarly and creative knowledge.

WORKING DRAFT - Values and Definitions

3. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
We all belong.

USC Libraries definition: We appreciate difference and stand against bias and racism as we create spaces of study, research, reflection, work, and engagement.

4. Well-being
We honor the whole person.

USC Libraries definition: We create and sustain safe, productive, and inspiring libraries–physical and virtual–to help each other and our community thrive in mind, body, and spirit.

WORKING DRAFT - Values and Definitions

5. Open Communication
We share openly and honestly.

USC Libraries definition: We embrace transparency, clarity, timeliness, and dialogue that is meaningful, respectful, and productive in our interactions with each other and our community.

6. Accountability
We take responsibility.

USC Libraries definition: We set honest, realistic expectations, follow through, and act with consequential responsibility toward our community, our collections, and our colleagues.

Themes for Goal Development

1. Diverse information resources, programs, and services through which we enact our values.

2. Vibrant, inclusive physical, intellectual, and technological library environments.

3. Experimentation and collaboration to extend our reach, presence, and possibilities.

4. Leadership where our unique expertise advances teaching, learning, research, and creativity.