

# List of Carnegie libraries in Georgia

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The following **list of Carnegie libraries in Georgia** provides detailed information on United States Carnegie libraries in Georgia, where 24 public libraries were built from 20 grants (totaling \$503,756) awarded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York from 1898 to 1914. In addition, academic libraries were built at five institutions (totaling \$110,000).

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- Building still operating as a library
- Building standing, but now serving another purpose
- Building no longer standing
- Building listed on the National Register of Historic Places
- Building contributes to a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places

## Public libraries

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	Library	City or town	Image	Date granted <sup>[1]</sup>	Grant amount <sup>[1][2]</sup>	Location	Notes
1	Albany	<u>Albany</u>		Jan 9, 1905	\$10,700	215 N. Jackson St.	<u>NRHP #82002404</u>
2	<u>Americus</u>	<u>Americus</u>		Apr 23, 1908	\$20,000	111 S. Jackson St.	
3	Atlanta Main Branch	<u>Atlanta</u>		Oct 3, 1898	\$202,000	126 Carnegie Way, NW	The ninth library to in the US to receive a grant from Carnegie and the second after <u>Pittsburgh</u> to have multiple branches commissioned. Demolished in 1977
4	Atlanta South Branch	<u>Atlanta</u>		Oct 3, 1898	—		
5	Atlanta Ann Wallace Branch	<u>Atlanta</u>		Oct 3, 1898	—	523 Luckie St. NW	Now a bank
6	Atlanta Auburn Ave. Branch	<u>Atlanta</u>		Oct 3, 1898	—	333 Auburn Ave. NE	Colored branch during <u>segregation</u> , open 1921–1949. Demolished in 1960
7	<u>Barnesville</u>	<u>Barnesville</u>		Apr 28, 1909	\$10,000	1 Library St.	<u>NRHP #86003684</u>
8	Boston	<u>Boston</u>		Dec 3, 1912	\$6,000	250 S Main Street	A contributing property to <u>NRHP #07000375</u>
9	<u>Columbus</u>	<u>Columbus</u>		Apr 26, 1902	\$30,000		
10	<u>Cordele</u>	<u>Cordele</u>		Jan 13, 1903	\$17,556	115 E 11th Ave	
11	<u>Cuthbert</u>	<u>Cuthbert</u>		May 17, 1912	\$7,000	122 Lumpkin Street	Randolph County Chamber of Commerce <sup>[3]</sup>

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12	<u>Dawson</u>	<u>Dawson</u>		Mar 14, 1913	\$10,000	334 Main St. NE	Events facility for Terrell County Historic Preservation Society <sup>[4]</sup>
13	<u>Dublin</u>	<u>Dublin</u>		Mar 27, 1903	\$10,000	311 Academy Ave.	<u>NRHP #75000599</u>
14	<u>Eatonton</u>	<u>Eatonton</u>		Jun 11, 1914	\$6,000	309 N. Madison Ave.	
15	<u>Fitzgerald</u>	<u>Fitzgerald</u>		Apr 13, 1914	\$12,500	120 S. Lee Street	Now The Carnegie Center <sup>[5]</sup>
16	<u>Lavonia</u>	<u>Lavonia</u>		Feb 12, 1910	\$5,000	28 Hartwell Rd.	Established in 1911, the one-story Renaissance Revival-style building is important as a local landmark and has continued to be used as a library throughout its history <sup>[6]</sup>
17	<u>Montezuma</u>	<u>Montezuma</u>		Mar 24, 1906	\$10,000	109 North Dooly St.	Now Macon County Chamber of Commerce and Development Authority
18	<u>Moultrie</u>	<u>Moultrie</u>		Dec 3, 1906	\$10,000	39 N. Main St.	
19	<u>Newnan</u>	<u>Newnan</u>		Dec 30, 1901	\$10,000	1 LaGrange St.	Cornerstone date 1903. An original Carnegie Library still operating as a public library.
20	<u>Pelham</u>	<u>Pelham</u>		Dec 13, 1906	\$10,000	200 Hand Ave. W.	

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21	Rome	<u>Rome</u>		Dec 24, 1909	\$15,000	607 Broad Street <sup>[7]</sup>	Now the Rome-Floyd County Development Services offices, Downtown Development Authority, and City of Rome HR.
22	<u>Savannah Main Branch</u>	<u>Savannah</u>		Aug 17, 1910	\$87,000	2002 Bull St.	
23	<u>Savannah Carnegie B. Branch</u>	<u>Savannah</u>		Aug 17, 1910	\$12,000	537 E. Henry St.	Was known as "Carnegie Colored Public Library" It served the African American community from August 1914 to 1962. In 1963 the library joined the Savannah Public Library System. <sup>[8]</sup>
24	<u>Valdosta</u>	<u>Valdosta</u>		Apr 30, 1912	\$15,000	305 W. Central Avenue	Now the Lowndes County Historical Society and Museum <sup>[9]</sup> NRHP #84001120

## Academic libraries

	Institution	Locality	Image	Year granted	Grant amount	Location	Notes
1	<u>Agnes Scott College</u>	<u>Decatur</u>		Mar 26, 1906	\$25,000		Demolished in 1986
2	<u>Atlanta University</u>	<u>Atlanta</u>		Jun 11, 1904	\$25,000		
3	<u>Georgia Institute of Technology</u>	<u>Atlanta</u>		Mar 12, 1906	\$20,000		Originally known as the Carnegie Library, now known as the Carnegie Building. Served as school's library until 1953. Now used for office space.
4	<u>Carnegie Library Building at the former Georgia State Normal School</u>	<u>Athens</u>		Mar 15, 1905	\$20,000	1401 Prince Ave.	NRHP #75000577; now a part of the University of Georgia library system
5	<u>Mercer University</u>	<u>Macon</u>		Mar 26, 1906	\$20,000		Now the Hardman Fine Arts Building

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1. At various times, **Bobinski** and **Jones** disagree on these numbers. In these cases, Jones' numbers have been used due to both a more recent publication date and a more detailed gazetteer of branch libraries, which are often where the discrepancies occur.
2. In cases where multiple branches were granted, only the total amount is reflected in this column.
3. <http://www.exploregeorgia.org/listing/11486-old-carnegie-library>
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5. "Archived copy" ([https://web.archive.org/web/20110726055236/http://www.fitzgeraldga.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=159&Itemid=161](https://web.archive.org/web/20110726055236/http://www.fitzgeraldga.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=159&Itemid=161)). Archived from the original ([http://www.fitzgeraldga.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=159&Itemid=161](http://www.fitzgeraldga.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=159&Itemid=161)) on 2011-07-26. Retrieved 2011-03-16.
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