

# **Research Services**

Let Hartford Public Library's experienced information professionals assist you with your research and presentation needs. We can find the best and most current information sources quickly, extract and arrange the data that is most useful for your purpose, and deliver the information to you in presentation formats.

## **Information Searching**

Literature, data and images may be located on a broad range of topics, including:

- Community Data Population, housing, economic, education, health, vital statistics, crime statistics as available by country, state, region, city, neighborhood, and census tract
- Business Research
  Company and industry profiles, financials, rankings
- Historical Research Local to international history, genealogy, newspaper articles, fact checking, biographies
- Governmental Research Federal, state and city bills, statutes and regulations; city ordinances
- Image Searches Photographs, graphics, maps

### **Extracting and Arranging Information**

The sources may be mined and the information arranged to:

- Compare data sets
- Categorize by type
- Sequence by chronological, numeric or alphabetic order

#### Presentation

Your final product may be delivered in electronic, paper or display format, including:

- Static maps of single or multiple data sets
- Color graphs and charts
- Spreadsheets with formulas
- Powerpoint slides
- Databases
- Reports and executive summaries
- Static and interactive webpages
- Photocopies and image scans

#### Rates

Hartford Public Library provides research services that require less than 20 minutes at no charge. Research services requiring longer than 20 minutes are quoted on a per project basis, depending on the level of difficulty and the number of hours needed, at a cost recovery rate (\$40-85 per hr.)

#### Contact

For Hartford specific primary source archives of authors, imprints, and books, contact Brenda Miller, Manager, Hartford History Center and Curator, Hartford Collection (860) 695-6347. Special collection use criteria applies.

For all other queries, call Associate Librarian for Community Development and Civic Services Richard Frieder (860-695-6365) to discuss your project needs.