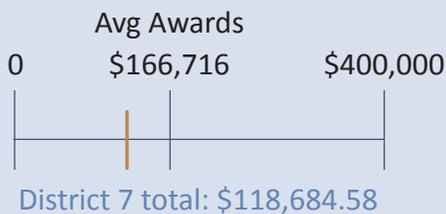


Services to Libraries: Congressional District 7

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only agency in Washington that is specifically designated by law to assist libraries and to ensure that residents of the entire state have access to library and information services. WSL achieves these goals using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds, offering projects, consulting services, grants, subsidies and training to improve libraries.

Examples of services include support for digital literacy programming, Microsoft Office training and industry-recognized certification, early literacy programming, professional grants, specialized training for library administration, circulating STEM kits, group cost-sharing for online databases, and 24/7 online reference support for college students and other residents of the state.

Awards & Subsidies



- Library grants
- Databases
- Digital services

Training Opportunities

385
individuals trained

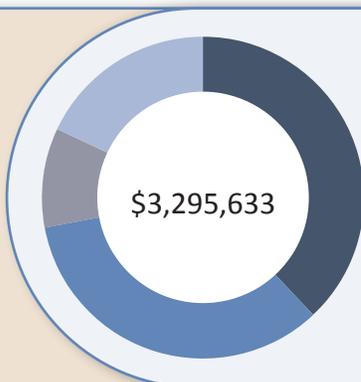
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Total Federal Funding



- Statewide Projects
- Awards & Subsidies
- Washington Talking Book & Braille Library
- Prison & Hospital Libraries



Approximately \$1.37 of federal LSTA funding is received to support libraries for each dollar of state funding.

Data from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016

Visit www.sos.wa.gov/library for more information



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Impact of LSTA Library Funding on District 7

Garfield High School's Digital Literacy grant allowed staff and a guest artist from the Experience Music Project to join forces for a 3-D printer project. This is an example of how collaboration among different community groups helps to enrich the overall experience for the students. This gave students STEM skills and a window on what work in the field could be like.

Seventeen Seattle Public schools received Refreshing School Library grants, each receiving \$1,000 to purchase non-fiction books for their school libraries. Here are a few comments:

Graham Hill Elementary—"The kids LOVE it!!! I've done a small sample test to get feedback and it's a huge success."

Denny International Middle School—"This September I had a 55 percent increase in my checkouts overall."

Dunlap Elementary School—"I can't keep some of them on the shelves!!!"

- "As the owner of a small business that provides consulting services to local governments and nonprofit organizations, I consider the Washington State Library provides vital services and resources to me, my clients, and the greater community."
- "Our family finds some of the services of the Washington State Library to be critical for a member of our household. His ability to remain well-informed, to find reading materials and to function normally is enhanced, and in some cases made entirely possible by the services of the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library and their staff. Their incredible staff are a wealth of information for the blind, who have no other place to go for these services."



Shining Mountain
Elementary School