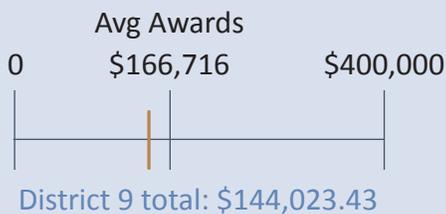


Services to Libraries: Congressional District 9

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

646
individuals trained

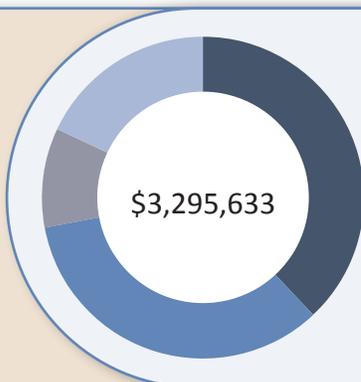
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Total Federal Funding



- 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

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Impact of LSTA Library Funding on District 9

King County Library System received a Digital Literacy grant, which allowed it to purchase several 3Doodler printing pens. The program is called “IdeaX 3D Printing” and over the fall of 2016 it visited 12 sites around King County and had 17 programs. One special story happened in October 2016. The Redmond Library hosted an Arts & Tech Festival and used the 3Doodler pens. The adults preferred using patterns that were provided (and made some fabulous creations) but the kids were eager to dive in on their own to see what they could create. One “young gentleman” really knew how to push the envelope. The first day, with no guidance or instruction, he used the 3-D pen to print a functioning miniature windmill only to return the next day and build a suspension bridge. The library may have lit the spark of the next big tech giant!

- “The Washington State Library is in a unique position to make state information free and accessible to many, including students and researchers. I am a National Board Certified teacher and high school librarian and place a lot of value on access to primary source material, databases, training, and state reference assistance for all residents of Washington.”
- “Washington’s prominence in the knowledge-based economy is based on the kind of local and state library development that the Washington State Library has facilitated.”
- “Braille books for children are hard to find and expensive. With the services at Washington Talking Book & Braille Library, my students are able to have books in braille, some large print, and talking books that people can access for free.”



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