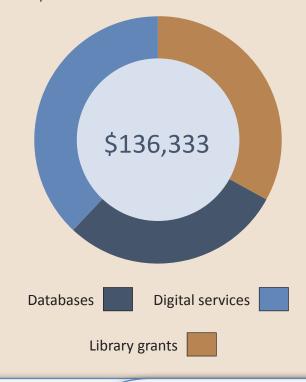
Services to Libraries: 8th Congressional District

The Washington State Library (WSL) ensures that residents of the entire state have access to educational materials, research capabilities, and resources that change lives. WSL achieves these goals using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds, which are dependent on state matching funding, to offer consulting services, grants, subsidies, training, and other programs that improve libraries.

Awards & Subsidies

WSL provides funding to support local libraries through circulating STEM kits, professional development grants, digital literacy, early literacy programming, cost-sharing of online databases, and 24/7 online reference services.



Training Opportunities

WSL provides training opportunities for the library staff and the public including Microsoft Office training and industry-recognized certification, professional development, and specialized training for library administration.

19 trainings

2,540 ndividuals trained

Training Programs & Partners









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Statewide Library Projects

Awards & Subsidies

Washington Talking
Book & Braille Library

Prison & Hospital Libraries

For every \$1 of state funding, the state receives approximately \$1.16 in additional federal LSTA funding to support libraries.

\$136,333 to 8th Congressional District libraries

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only state agency specifically designated by law to assist local and regional libraries with library and information services. Below is just one example of how WSL has helped libraries in this district connect with communities and improve the quality of life for their patrons. This project and more, such as our new Lynda.com partnership, continue to drive our public libraries into the future.

In many small communities, the public library is often the fastest and sometimes sole source of high speed internet. Every legislative district in Washington has veterans residing within, and services to veterans often require access to the internet. Seeing a need and a logical partnership, WSL is working with the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs, WAServes (a veterans service organization), and WestCare (a behavioral health services organization to serve veterans through their local library. The Pierce County Library System, including several branches in this district, is helping us pilot this program which we plan to take statewide.





