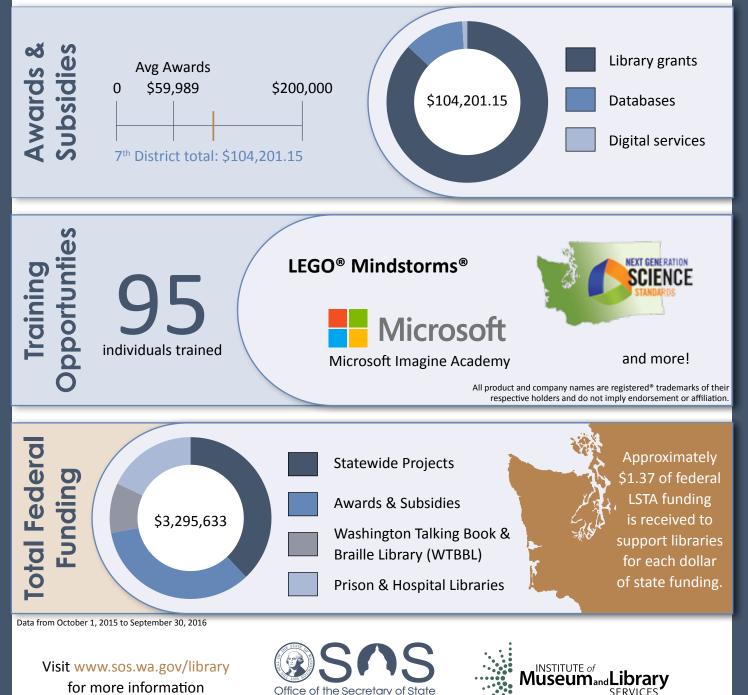
Services to Libraries: 7th Legislative District

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 to improve libraries, consulting services, grants, subsidies and training to libraries.

Examples of services include support for digital literacy programming, Microsoft Office training and industryrecognized 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 Washington residents.



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Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 7th District



In Stevens County, the Colville Library received a Washington Rural Heritage grant and used it to digitize and provide online access to a collection of aerial photographs, maps and historical documents from the Heritage Department of Colville National Forest (USDA).

Colville National Forest Public Affairs Officer Franklin Pemberton reported, "This project is being used by our forest, regional, and national silviculturists and fire ecologists to compare stand density and type over time. I believe this project will have benefits that will move past the initial scope of the grant and benefit students and practitioners of forestry far into the future."... "This project has been acknowledged by the Chief of the Forest Service for its professionalism and thoroughness."



Lakeside High School used a Digital Literacy grant to help its students gain the knowledge they needed to apply to college, find financial aid, and locate scholarships. To this end they hired a College and Career Specialist, and the library now has a college and career corner.