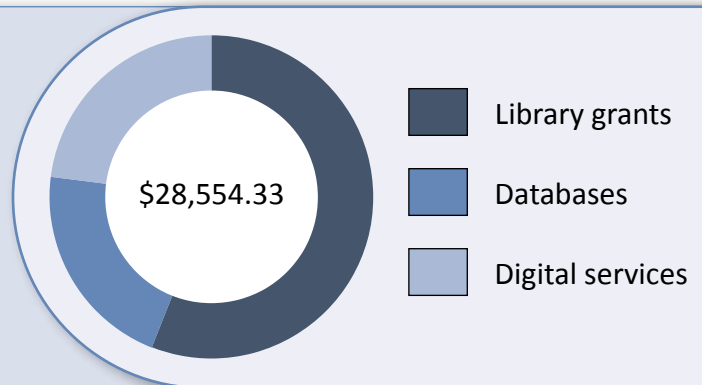
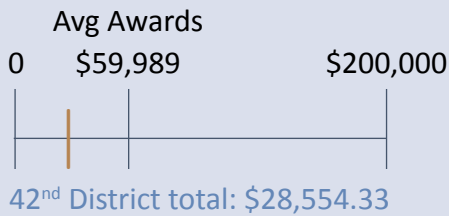


Services to Libraries: 42nd Legislative District

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 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 Washington residents.

Awards & Subsidies



Training Opportunities

18
individuals trained

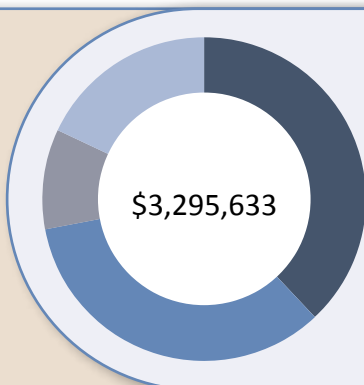
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Total Federal Funding



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



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

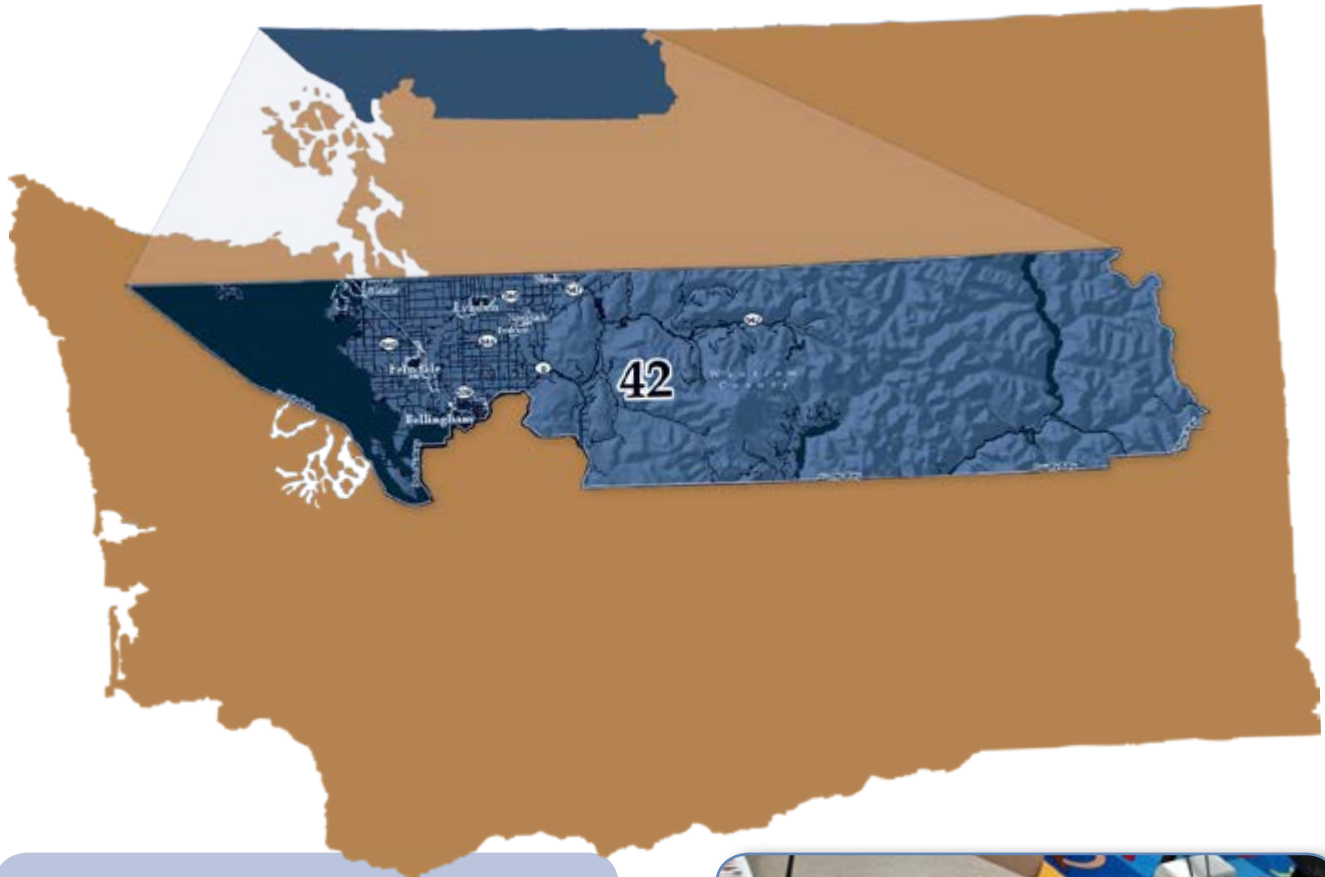
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Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 42nd District



In Bellingham, the library is seeking to increase its role as a community information resource for literacy and early learning trends. With a grant from the State Library, a Bellingham Public Librarian attended the Thrive symposium. Using the information learned at the Symposium the library added two new weekly storytime sessions that utilize the six domains of school readiness as outlined in the WA KIDS Kindergarten guidelines. “We know that not all families are comfortable in a formal school setting, so the library can serve as an additional avenue for families to access information about school. We will continue this work looking at how to make this information most available, including translation to other languages our community serves.”



“We rely on WSL as a resource for training and developing library board members, developing strategic plans, and advising us regarding levies, working with local government, and working with our state legislators.”