8th Congressional District: Direct Services to Local Libraries

Washington State Library, Library Development Program **October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014**

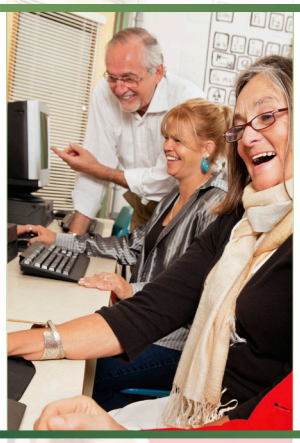
The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only agency in Washington that is specifically designated by law to assist libraries and to ensure that residents of the entire state have access to library and information services. WSL achieves these goals using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)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

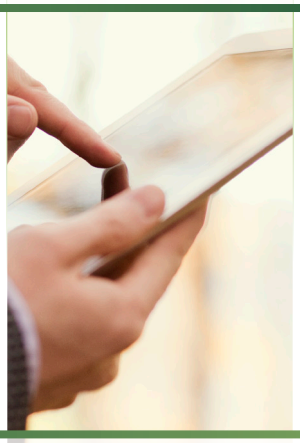
Libraries within this district have:

1. received $159,433 as a result of Washington State Library Direct Grants and Subsidies during the past year; and
2. benefited from Statewide Programs and Services, which are not directly attributable to an individual library.

Statewide Programs & Services

$ 896,450	$ 166,933	$ 228,234	$ 1,244,797





Direct Grants & Subsidies within this District

$46,780	-	$63,441	$49,212

Access to Information and History

WSL provides access to online magazines, journals, newspapers, audio- & e-books, and online information assistance through local libraries. Local library and museum staff digitize historic treasures & digital images are hosted at WSL.

Enhancing Local Library Staff Knowledge & Skills

The Washington State Library trains local library staff as well as providing Continuing Education (CE) grants so that local library and IT staff can increase their knowledge and skills through trainings and conferences.

Ensuring Digital Inclusion

WSL Supports local libraries in providing high-speed internet and web-based resources allowing use of e-government, e-health & other online services by the public. Digital literacy training comes through local libraries.

Support for Education and Lifelong Learning

Local libraries support the educational and lifelong learning needs of the people in their communities. Their staffs participate in WSL projects including Early Learning, Summer Reading, and Transforming Life After 50 (TLA50).

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