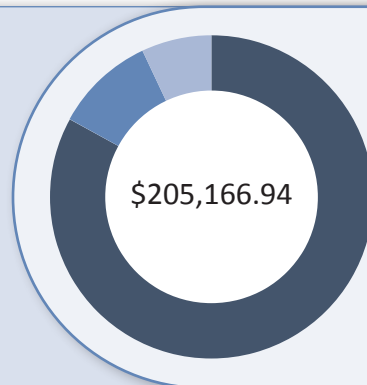
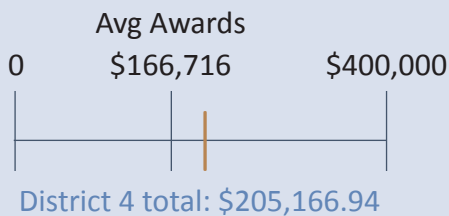


Services to Libraries: Congressional District 4

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

323 individuals trained

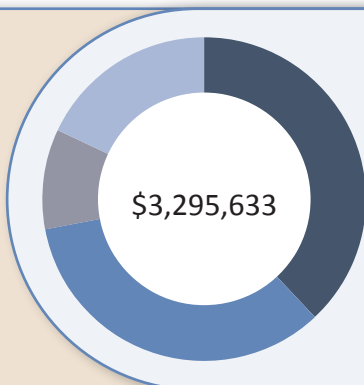
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Total Federal Funding



- 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

Visit www.sos.wa.gov/library for more information



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Impact of LSTA Library Funding on District 4

In Kennewick, Legacy High School received a 'Refreshing School Libraries' grant for \$1,000 to purchase non-fiction books for their library. The students are loving the "cool new books" and are choosing them for research projects, book reports, and even their free reading time. Some of the books chosen were High Interest Publication (HIP) Books, which are designed for struggling readers. These books are very popular with the special services students.

- "The [Washington State Library] digital library collection is a valuable resource that leads to increased literacy, especially among youth, and is something I personally use regularly."
- "There is not a person in the state who is not impacted in some way by the State Library and the necessary services it provides. It is a clear example of a government entity that works effectively and efficiently; and works for all equally."
- "My mother was an avid reader and now is using the services provided by the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library. The staff and services are exceptional!!!!!"



Garden Heights
Elementary School