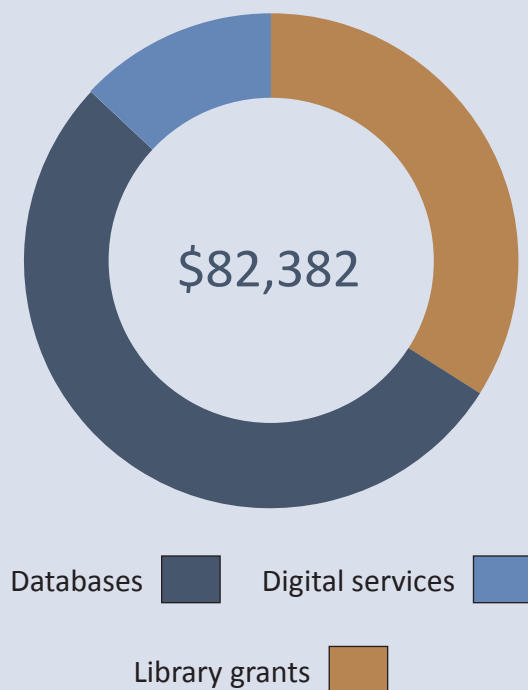


Services to Libraries: 1st Congressional District

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 in part using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds—which are dependent on state funding—to offer consulting services, grants, subsidies, training, and other programs that improve libraries and the lives of the patrons which they serve.

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.

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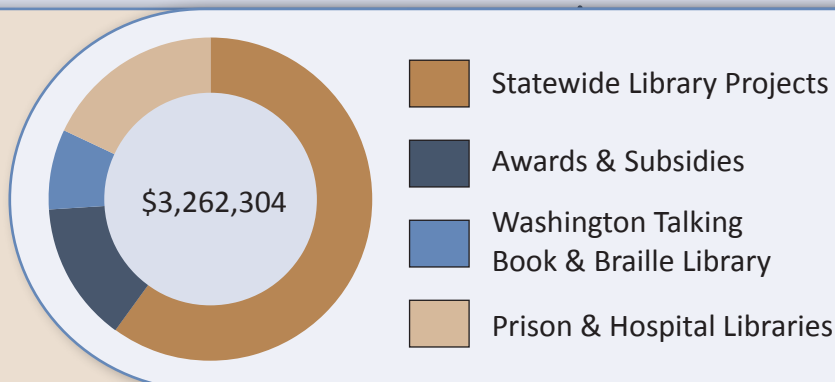
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Training Programs & Partners



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Total Federal Funding



For every \$1 of state funding, the state receives approximately \$1.25 in federal LSTA funding to support libraries.

Data from October 1, 2016, to September 30, 2017, and Federal Fiscal Year 2017 budgets. Library systems may span more than one district. The amounts listed reflect the total benefit received by the library system regardless of district.

\$82,382 to 1st Congressional District libraries

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only state agency that is 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 their communities and improve the quality of life for its patrons.

A comment about the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library (WTBBL): “As someone who was born blind, the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library quickly became an important asset in my life.

I have long been involved in disability civil rights and have been a WTBBL patron for over 60 years.

The Washington Talking Book & Braille Library is an important

part of my life since reading is an essential part of my existence. It is a godsend for patrons who can’t just walk down the street to get a book, magazine or newspaper.”

“The books from WTBBL have opened a whole new world for me.” -A WTBBL patron



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