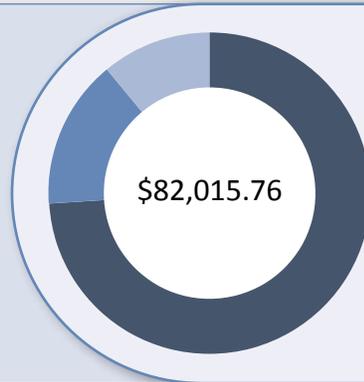
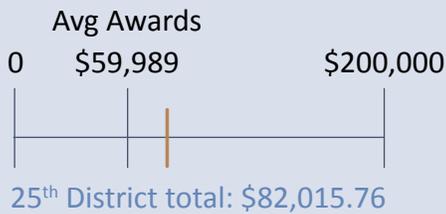


# Services to Libraries: 25<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

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



-  Library grants
-  Databases
-  Digital services

## Training Opportunities

**39**  
individuals trained

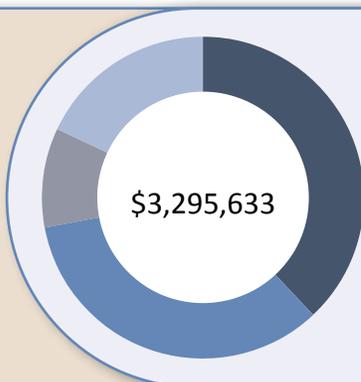
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## Total Federal Funding



-  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.

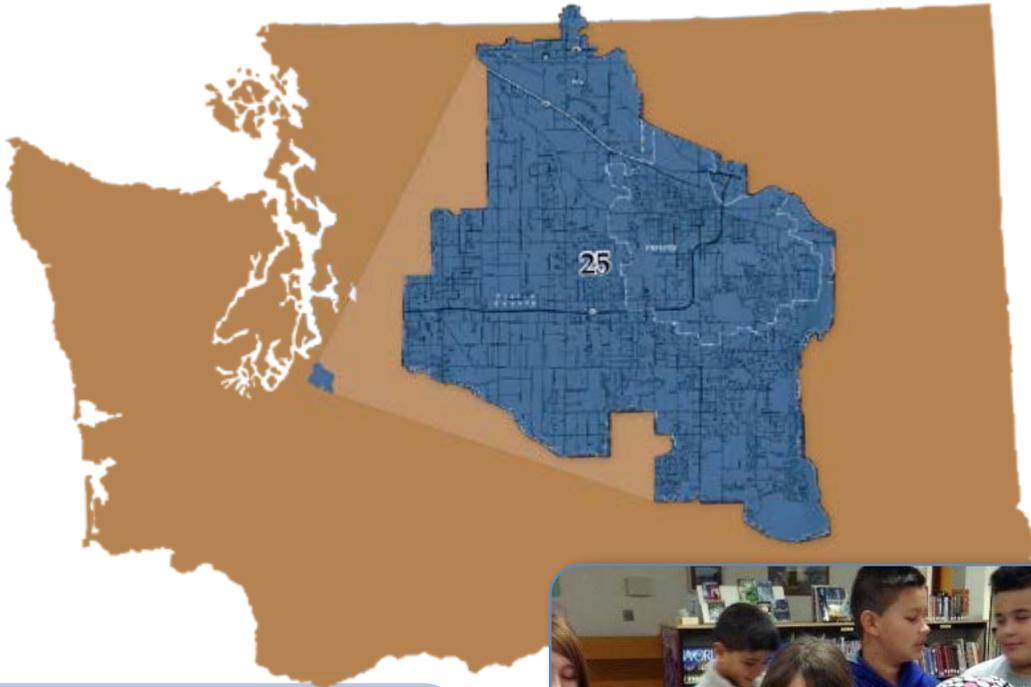
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# Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 25<sup>th</sup> District



Pierce County Library System (PCLS) used a Digital Literacy Grant to create an “Open Lab.” The lab prepares transitioning soldiers for success in civilian life by improving their technology skills, and finding new careers in a digital and evolving world.

By offering technology training, network and database classes, and free Microsoft Technology Associate certification to prepare soldiers for civilian jobs, the Pierce County Library System positioned itself as a leader in learning for soldiers, and has built new and deeper partnerships between the library and Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM). PCLS is now an on-base presence at Stone Education Center, Hawks Transition Center, the Veterans Affairs, Camp Murray, JBLM libraries, and at countywide veterans events. 513 Microsoft Imagine Academy certifications have been earned.



“The on-site library services for the men and women residing at the two state hospitals is a critical recovery tool. Patients may learn about their diagnosis and develop practical coping strategies. Newspapers, magazines and the Internet keep patients informed and better prepared for life in the community upon discharge. Staff also rely on the on-site library for teaching tools. The institutional libraries division of the State Library offers tremendous “bang-for-the-buck” for those citizens with great need and few personal resources.”