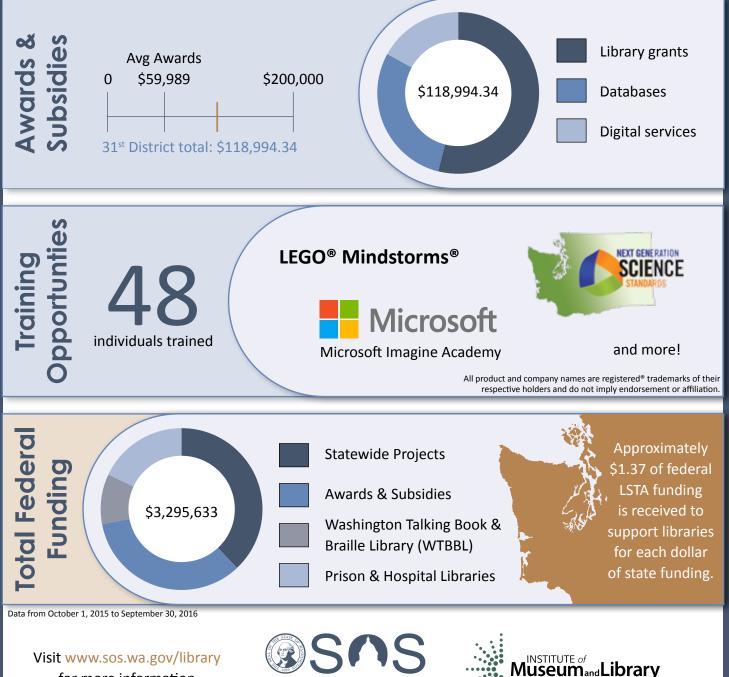
Services to Libraries: 31st Legislative District

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 industryrecognized 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.



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Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 31st District



"Braille books for children are hard to find and expensive. With the Services at WTBBL my students are able to have books in braille, some large print, and audiobooks that people can access for free."

"The library provides books and audio books for our homebound seniors through the mail. This is an awesome service for those unable to get to the library."

"The Washington State Library, and all the libraries in the state they serve, are very important to educators. We use the resources in research on Washington and government issues."



Four schools in this district were awarded \$1,000 each to buy books for their libraries as part of the Refreshing School Libraries grant cycle. One school reported using their funding to purchase books related to countries around the world. These books will be used by sixth graders while completing integrated multicultural projects. "Our students and teachers will reap the benefit of this grant for years to come."