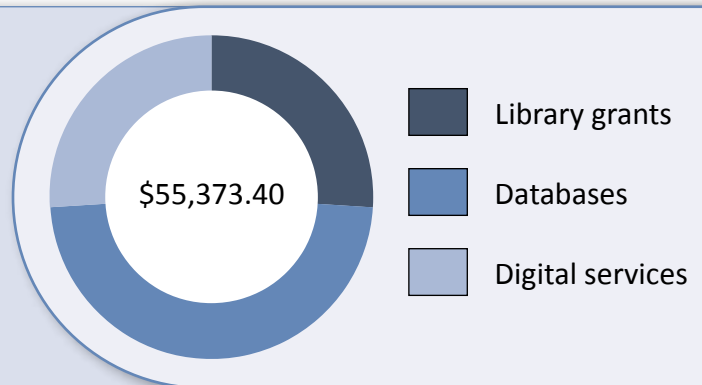
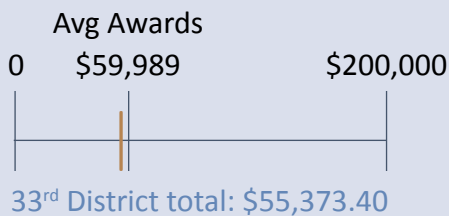


# Services to Libraries: 33<sup>rd</sup> Legislative District

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



## Training Opportunities

**37**  
individuals trained

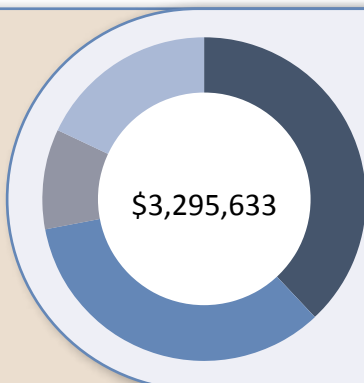
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## Total Federal Funding



- 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.

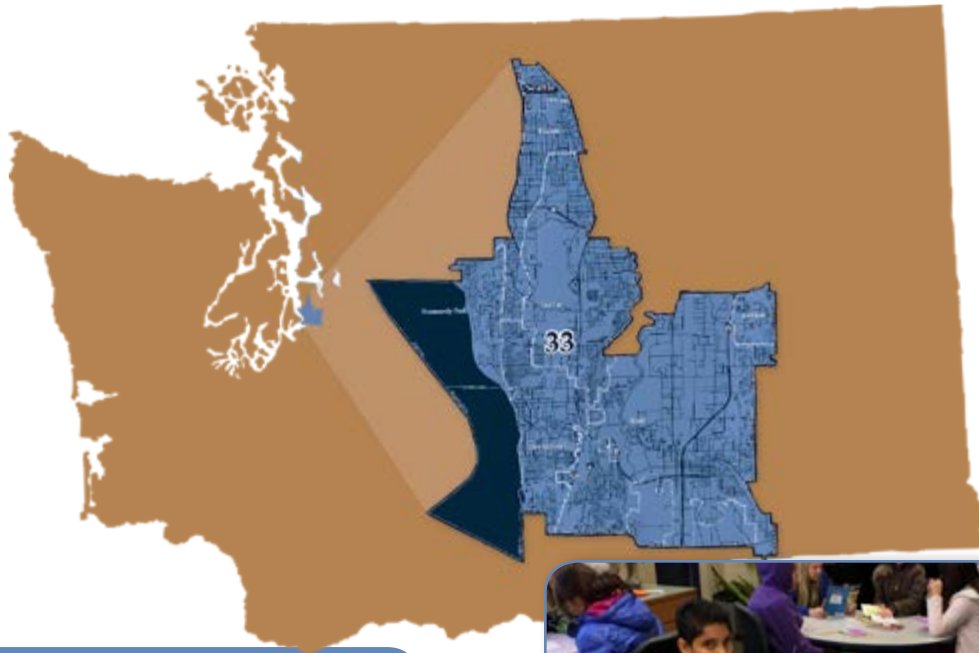
Data from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016

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# Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 33<sup>rd</sup> District



“Hello Rural Heritage folks: Just wanted to say a quick THANK YOU for the fantastic resource that the Washington Rural Heritage collections has become. I first learned about it in connection to my community and have continued to appreciate other collections as they are posted. Many thanks for creating and managing this project, and making so many great historical resources accessible.”

“The State Library is a very important service and provides information to populations that would otherwise have little or no access to it. It also provides valuable training to library staff around the state and has helped all types of libraries and their many users in the state have less expensive access to needed informational databases.”



The Washington State Library has invested in several STEM kits, with technology ranging from programmable robots to Lego building kits. These kits, designed to engage children with technology, are available to any public library in the state. One of the Lego kits, Cool Creations, visited the Valley View Library last year. They reported that the program was a huge success. “The kids were so focused! Many of the parents stayed and three of them were involved—more with the younger kids. All started with following the ideas in the books and later created their own projects.” They said several families they hadn’t seen in months showed up specifically for the event.