



Stettler County 2023 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

\$1,406,668.61

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$27.64

Based on a population of **5,816**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for Stettler County was **\$50,890.00** in 2023.

The **direct financial return** as a result of membership to Parkland Regional Library System to Stettler County Libraries:

2023 materials allotment	\$6,572.08
Rural Library Services Grant from Summer Villages	<u>\$1,153.60</u>
TOTAL	\$7,725.68

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Stettler County Libraries:

Computers for library use	\$4,249.95
Software & Licensing	\$20,488.56
SuperNet connection	<u>\$23,209.20</u>
TOTAL	\$47,947.71

Resource Sharing Savings to Stettler County Libraries:

Items borrowed from other libraries	47,341 @\$15.78	\$747,040.98
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	10,032 @\$48.57	<u>\$487,254.24</u>
		\$1,234,295.22

Potential non-resident savings for households in Stettler County:

1,945 Households ₂ (from the 2021 Federal Census)	\$116,700.00
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Combined Savings

\$1,398,942.93

System Membership Benefits:

- 623,386 items in the system collection
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines, plus shared eBooks from 4 other regional systems
- Access to 14 subscription online resources, including:
 - *Ancestry Library Edition*, a popular genealogical research resource.
 - *Consumer Reports* for thorough consumer product information.
 - *Grant Connect*, linking Canadian charities with funding programs.
 - *PressReader*, offering access to newspapers and magazines.
 - *Overdrive and Libby*, eBooks and eAudiobooks available on desktop or via app.
- Hosted and managed website with 24/7 technical support
- 41% bulk discount on library books purchased through Parkland
- Cataloguing and shelf-ready processing of purchased and donated library materials
- Library supplies (library cards, barcodes, etc.) included
- Shared regional specialty collections including:
 - Large print books
 - Audiobooks
 - Program kits (book-based, tech-based, gaming, virtual reality)
 - Gaming equipment & promotional items
 - Cooperative Collection
- Access to library collections across Alberta (in-person and through interlibrary lending) and throughout Canada through ME Libraries and the TAL program
- Alternate format collections for visually impaired and print disabled
- Weekly or bi-weekly delivery of library materials
- Postal reimbursement
- Professional library expertise (consulting services) and shared regional knowledge
- Specialized training for library staff and trustees

¹The Summer Villages of Rochon Sands and White Sands assigned a rural population of 206 to the Stettler Public Library

²Number of county families can save the \$60 non-resident fee