

Town of Carstairs

2024 Return on Investment

Benefits to your Library

Total Financial Benefits

\$1,322,215.06

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$28.88

Based on a population of **4,988**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Town of Carstairs was **\$45,789.84** in 2024.

Cost benefits of PRLS services

The **direct financial return** as a result of membership to Parkland Regional Library System to Carstairs Public Library:

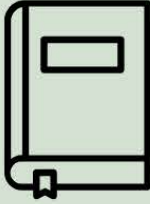
2024 materials allotment	\$	5,636.44
Rural Library Services Grant	\$	10,248.00
Allotment from Mountain View County 1	\$	2,151.52
Computers for library use	\$	4,422.25
Software & Licensing	\$	7,364.20
SuperNet Connection	\$	10,242.00
Items borrowed from other libraries 2	\$	984,601.75
Digital items borrowed from PRLS 3	\$	297,548.90
Combined Savings		\$1,322,215.06

1 Mountain View County assigned a rural population of 1,904 to the Town of Carstairs

2 Average price of an item \$46.75

3 Average price of an eBook \$40.06, average price of an eAudiobook \$84.26

2024 Quick Facts



664,784 items
in the collection



1,310,828 physical items
circulated



44,398 items added
to the catalog



26,029
cardholders



925,450 items
sent on van runs



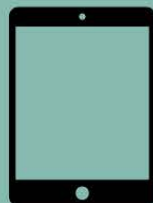
1,514 consulting
sessions



Over **170**
attendees at the
2024 PRLS
Conference



1,269,757 Wifi
usages



156,839 digital items
circulated



58,104 eLibrary
sessions

Other Parkland Facts:

- Provides access to virtual materials across the province through TRAC.
- Provides training for libraries, boards, friends' groups and more.
- Provides centralized IT support on hardware, software, internet, SuperNet.
- Provides access to shared regional collections of books, tech, program kits, and much more.