

Parkland Regional Library System Libraries - Value Beyond Words

Town of Sylvan Lake

2024 Return on Investment

Benefits to your Library

Total Financial Benefits

Return on Investment

\$2,085,018.37

\$1.00 = \$13.52

Based on a population of **16,802**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Town of Sylvan Lake was **\$154,242.36** in 2024.

Cost benefits of PRLS services

The **direct financial return** as a result of membership to Parkland Regional Library System to Sylvan Lake Municipal Library:

2024 materials allotment	\$	18,986.26
Rural Library Services Grant	\$	19,387.20
Allotment from Summer Villages of Sylvan Lake 1	\$	867.84
Allotment from Red Deer County 2	\$	3,518.82
Computers for library use	\$	12,819.84
Software & Licensing	\$	10,369.36
SuperNet Connection	\$	10,242.00
Items borrowed from other libraries 3	\$	1,416,291.25
Digital items borrowed from PRLS 4	\$	592,535.80
Combined Savings	\$2,085,018.37	

1 Summer Villages of Sylvan Lake assigned a rural population of 768 to the Sylvan Lake Municipal Library

2 Red Deer County assigned its population of 3,114 to Sylvan Lake Municipal Library

3 Average price of a physical item \$41.61

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



2024 Quick Facts



Parkland Regional Library System

in the collection



1,310,828 physical items circulated



44,398 items added to the catalog



26,029 cardholders



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





925,450 items sent on van runs



58,104 eLibrary sessions



1,514 consulting 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.