

Village of Bittern Lake

2024 Return on Investment

Benefits to your Community

Total Financial Benefits

\$10,970.30

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$5.11

Based on a population of **234**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Bittern Lake was **\$2,148.12** in 2024.

Cost benefits of PRLS services

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

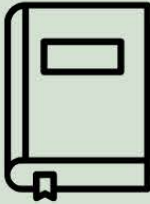
2024 materials allotment	\$ 264.42
Rural Library Services Grant 1	\$ 1,232.00
83 non-resident households 2 (from the 2021 Federal Census)	\$ 4,980.00
Total village patron checkouts and renewals 3	\$ 4,493.88
Digital items borrowed from PRLS 4	\$ -
Combined Savings	\$ 10,970.30

1 Village of Bittern Lake assigned a rural population of 220 to the Camrose Public Library

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

3 Average price of a physical item \$41.61, 4 Average cost of an eBook \$40.06, 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



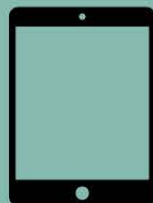
1,514 consulting
sessions



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.