

2020 Return on Investment for Village of Amisk

Village of Amisk membership levy to Parkland Regional Library = \$1,744.20

(Based on official 2020 population of 204 x \$8.55 requisition amount)

Direct financial return to Amisk Public Library

2020 materials allotment	\$230.52
2020 allotment from county population ¹	\$414.71
	\$645.23

Technology Savings to Amisk Public Library

Computers for library use	\$0.00
Software & licensing	\$1,657.12
SuperNet connection	\$6,042.00
	\$7,699.12

Resource Sharing Savings to Amisk Public Library

510 items borrowed from other libraries ²	\$7,833.60
135 digital items borrowed from PRLS ³	\$6,210.00
	\$14,043.60

Total financial benefits to Amisk Public Library \$22,387.95

Village of Amisk Return on Investment \$1 = \$12.84

Amisk Public Library averaged a 42% discount on books purchased through PRLS

¹ MD Provost assigned a rural population of 367 to Village of Amisk

² With bulk purchasing, PRLS' average purchase price for library books was \$15.36

³ PRLS paid an average price of \$46 each for eBooks and eAudiobooks

MD Provost has an intermunicipal library board which receives its operating grant directly from the province. They do not receive their Rural Library Services Grant through Parkland.

System Membership Benefits:

- 680,000 items in the system collection
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines, plus shared eBooks from 4 other regional systems
- Subscription databases including Ancestry (genealogy), Solaro (Alberta curriculum support), Consumer Reports, Niche Academy, Grant Connect, and Novelist; Press Reader (newspapers & magazines) Pronunciator (language learning), and Alberta eBooks
- Broadband internet connection (SuperNet) and Wi-Fi
- SuperNet connection paid for by the Government of Alberta
- Centrally managed computers, network, and website
- 24/7 I.T. support included
- Shared library database to manage borrowers and materials (Integrated Library System) with public access for patrons to manage their own account
- 42% bulk discount on library books purchased through Parkland
- Cataloguing and shelf-ready processing of purchased and donated library material
- Library supplies (library cards, barcodes, etc.) included
- Shared specialty collections including:
 - Large print books
 - Audio books
 - Program kits (book-based, tech-based, gaming, virtual reality)
 - Technical equipment & promotional items
- Access to library collections across Alberta (in-person and through interlibrary lending) and throughout Canada
- Alternate format collections for visually impaired and print disabled
- Weekly or bi-weekly delivery of library materials
- Professional library expertise (consulting services) and shared regional knowledge
- Included training for staff and trustees