

Camrose County

2021 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

Return on Investment

\$314,647.93

\$1.00 = \$4.25

Based on a population of **8,660**, the membership levy for the Camrose County was **\$74,043.00** in 2021.

The **direct financial return** to Camrose County Libraries:

 2021 materials allotment
 \$ 9,785.80

 Rural Library Services Grant 1
 \$ 45,421.20

 TOTAL \$55,207.00

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Camrose County Libraries:

 Computers for library use
 \$ 4,799.02

 Software & Licensing
 \$ 25,074.71

 SuperNet connection
 \$ 36,187.20

 TOTAL
 \$66,060.93

Potential non-resident savings for households in Camrose County:

3223 Households 2 (from the 2021 Federal Census) \$193,380.00

Combined Savings \$259,440.93



Additional System Membership Benefits:

- 680,000 items in the system collection
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines, plus shared eBooks from 4 other regional systems
- Access to 16 subscription online resources, including:
 - o Ancestry Library Edition, a popular genealogical research resource.
 - o *Consumer Reports* for thorough consumer product information.
 - o *Grant Connect*, linking Canadian charities with funding programs.
 - o *PressReader*, offering access to newspapers and magazines.
 - o Solaro, an Albertan study and exam prep resource for grades 3-12.
- Broadband internet connection (SuperNet) and Wi-Fi
- SuperNet connection paid for by the Government of Alberta
- Centrally managed computers, network, and website
- Hosted and managed website with 24/7 technical support
- Shared library database to manage borrowers and materials (Integrated Library System)
 with public access for patrons to manage their own account
- 38% 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
 - 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 through ME Libraries and the TAL program
- 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
- Training for library staff and trustees

¹ Camrose County's rural population of 8,184 was distributed to Camrose County Libraries ² Number of county families eligible to save the \$60 non-resident fee Bashaw, Bawlf, Camrose, Edberg, and Hay Lakes have libraries serving Camrose County