

Flagstaff County

2021 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

\$178,813.14

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$5.59

Based on a population of **3,738**, the membership levy for the Flagstaff County was **\$31,959.90** in 2021.

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

2021 materials allotment	\$ 4,223.94
Rural Library Services Grant ¹	<u>\$ 19,930.05</u>
TOTAL	\$24,153.99

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Flagstaff County Libraries:

Computers for library use	\$ 0.00
Software & Licensing	\$ 19,976.55
SuperNet connection	<u>\$ 52,002.60</u>
TOTAL	\$71,979.15

Potential non-resident savings for households in Flagstaff County:

1378 Households ² (from the 2021 Federal Census)	\$82,680.00
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Combined Savings

\$154,659.15

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:
 - *Ancestry Library Edition*, a popular genealogical research resource.
 - *Consumer Reports* for thorough consumer product information.
 - *Grant Connect*, linking Canadian charities with funding programs.
 - *PressReader*, offering access to newspapers and magazines.
 - *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 Flagstaff County's rural population of 3,591 was distributed to Flagstaff County Libraries

² Number of county families eligible to save the \$60 non-resident fee Alliance, Daysland, Forestburg, Hardisty, Heisler, Killam, Lougheed, and Sedgewick have libraries serving Flagstaff County