

Stettler County

2021 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

Return on Investment

\$914,071.45

\$1.00 = \$19.20

Based on a population of **5,566**, the membership levy for the Stettler County was **\$47,589.30** in 2021.

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

2021 materials allotment \$ 1,256.56

*The **direct financial return** to Stettler Public Library:

2021 materials allotment \$ 6,725.76

Rural Library Services Grant from Summer Villages \$ 865.80

Allotment from Summer Villages \$ 232.78

TOTAL \$ 7,824.34

Resource Sharing Savings to Stettler Public Library:

 Items borrowed from other libraries
 35,206@\$15.82
 \$ 556,958.92

 Digital items borrowed from PRLS
 5,573@\$34.85
 \$ 194,219.05

 TOTAL
 \$751,177.97

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Stettler County Libraries:

 Computers for library use
 \$ 897.06

 Software & Licensing
 \$ 13,132.32

 SuperNet connection
 \$ 23,083.20

 TOTAL
 \$37,112.58

Potential non-resident savings for households in Stettler County:

1,945 Households (from the 2021 Federal Census) \$116,700.00

Combined Savings \$153,812.58



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 Number of county families eligible to save the \$60 non-resident fee Big Valley, Donalda, and Stettler have libraries serving Stettler County

*Due to the intermunicipal library board between Stettler and Stettler County, the cost benefits for Stettler Public Library have been included.