

## Summer Village of Gull Lake 2021 Return on Investment

## Your Membership

**Total Financial Benefits** 

**Return on Investment** 

\$16,349.49

\$1.00 = \$10.86

Based on a population of **176**, the membership levy for the Summer Village of Gull Lake was **\$1,504.80** in 2021.

The **direct financial return** to Bentley Municipal Library:

2021 materials allotment \$ 198.88

Rural Library Services Grant 1 \$ 677.10 **TOTAL** \$ 875.98

## Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Bentley Municipal Library:

Computers for library use\$ 0.00Software & Licensing\$ 3,331.91SuperNet connection\$ 6,441.60TOTAL\$9,773.51

Potential non-resident savings for households in S.V. of Gull Lake:

95 Households 2 (from the 2021 Federal Census) \$5,700.00

Combined Savings \$15,473.51



## 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