

## S.V. of Gull Lake

### 2022 Return on Investment

#### Your Membership

**Total Financial Benefits**

**\$19,359.05**

**Return on Investment**

**\$1.00 = \$12.11**

Based on a population of **187**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the S.V. of Gull Lake was **\$1,598.85** in 2022.

The **direct financial return** as a result of membership to Parkland Regional Library System to Bentley Municipal Library:

2022 materials allotment	\$ 211.31
Rural Library Services Grant <sup>1</sup>	<u>\$ 677.10</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 888.41</b>

#### Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Bentley Municipal Library:

Computers for library use	\$2,764.00
Software & Licensing	\$3,523.04
SuperNet connection	<u>\$6,483.60</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,770.64</b>

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

95 Households <sup>2</sup>	<b>\$5,700.00</b>
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**Combined Savings**

**\$18,470.64**

## System Membership Benefits:

- 599,120 items in the system collection
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines, plus shared eBooks from 4 other regional systems
- Access to 14 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.
  - *Overdrive and Libby*, eBooks and eAudiobooks available on desktop or via app.
- Hosted and managed website with 24/7 technical support
- 40% 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
  - Audiobooks
  - Program kits (book-based, tech-based, gaming, virtual reality)
  - Gaming equipment & promotional items
  - Cooperative Collection
- 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
- Postal reimbursement
- Professional library expertise (consulting services) and shared regional knowledge
- Specialized training for library staff and trustees

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<sup>1</sup> S.V. of Gull Lake assigned a rural population of 122 to the Bentley Municipal Library

<sup>2</sup> Number of county families can save the \$60 non-resident fee