

## S.V. of White Sands 2022 Return on Investment

### Your Membership

#### Total Financial Benefits

**\$25,814.49**

#### Return on Investment

**\$1.00 = \$25.81**

Based on a population of **117**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the S.V. of White Sands was **\$1,000.35** in 2022.

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

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| 2022 materials allotment                  | \$ 132.21        |
| Rural Library Services Grant <sup>1</sup> | <u>\$ 505.05</u> |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                              | <b>\$ 637.26</b> |

### Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Stettler Public Library:

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Computers for library use | \$ 798.00          |
| Software & Licensing      | \$9,217.23         |
| SuperNet connection       | <u>\$10,242.00</u> |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>\$20,257.23</b> |

Potential non-resident savings for households in S.V. of White Sands:

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 82 Households <sup>2</sup> | <b>\$4,920.00</b> |
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#### **Combined Savings**

**\$25,177.23**

## 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 White Sands assigned a rural population of 91 to the Stettler Public Library

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