



Town of Penhold

2022 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

\$424,131.38

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$12.29

Based on a population of **4,037**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the Town of Penhold was **\$34,516.35** in 2022.

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

2022 materials allotment	\$4,561.81
Rural Library Services Grant 1	\$14,357.85
Allotment from Red Deer County	<u>\$2,941.39</u>
TOTAL	\$21,861.05

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Penhold and District Public Library:

Computers for library use	\$ 0.00
Software & Licensing	\$7,352.74
SuperNet connection	<u>\$10,242.00</u>
TOTAL	\$17,594.74

Resource Sharing Savings to Penhold and District Public Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	11,757 @\$15.82	\$185,995.74
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	5,701 @\$34.85	<u>\$198,679.85</u>
TOTAL		\$384,675.59

Combined Savings

\$402,270.33

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

† Red Deer County assigned a rural population of 2,587 to the Town of Penhold