

## Town of Stettler

### 2022 Return on Investment

#### Your Membership

#### Total Financial Benefits

**\$784,331.60**

#### Return on Investment

**\$1.00 = \$16.54**

Based on a population of **5,545**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the Town of Stettler was **\$47,409.75** in 2022.

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

2022 materials allotment	\$6,265.85
Rural Library Services Grant from Summer Villages <sub>1</sub>	\$ 865.80
Allotment from Summer Villages	\$ 227.13
Allotment from Stettler County	<u>\$5,011.55</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,370.33</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>\$20,783.30</b>

Resource Sharing Savings to Stettler Public Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	39,866@\$15.82	\$556,958.92
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	6,871@\$34.85	<u>\$239,454.35</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$751,177.97</b>

**Combined Savings**

**\$771,961.27**

## 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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1 the Summer Villages assigned a rural population of 156 to the Stettler Public Library

**Stettler and Stettler County have an intermunicipal library board which receives its operating grant directly from the province. They do not receive their Rural Library Services Grant through Parkland.**