

## Town of Sundre

### 2022 Return on Investment

#### Your Membership

#### Total Financial Benefits

**\$425,296.34**

#### Return on Investment

**\$1.00 = \$16.59**

Based on a population of **2,998**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the Town of Sundre was **\$25,632.90** in 2022.

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

2022 materials allotment	\$3,387.74
Rural Library Services Grant <sup>1</sup>	\$18,520.35
Allotment from Mountain View County	<u>\$4,003.59</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,911.68</b>

#### Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Sundre Municipal Library:

Computers for library use	\$4,360.35
Software & Licensing	\$4,907.71
SuperNet connection	<u>\$10,242.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,510.06</b>

Resource Sharing Savings to Sundre Municipal Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	14,390 @\$15.82	\$227,649.80
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	4,368 @\$34.85	<u>\$152,224.80</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$379,874.60</b>

#### Combined Savings

**\$399,384.66**

## 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> Mountain View County assigned a rural population of 3,337 to the Town of Sundre