

## Village of Alix

### 2022 Return on Investment

#### Your Membership

**Total Financial Benefits**

**\$121,094.38**

**Return on Investment**

**\$1.00 = \$18.18**

Based on a population of **779**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Alix was **\$6,660.45** in 2022.

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

2022 materials allotment	\$ 880.27
Rural Library Services Grant <sup>1</sup>	\$4,539.90
Allotment from Lacombe County	<u>\$ 913.04</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,333.21</b>

#### Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Alix Public Library:

Computers for library use	\$ 0.00
Software & Licensing	\$2,433.07
SuperNet connection	<u>\$6,483.60</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,916.67</b>

Resource Sharing Savings to Alix Public Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	3,395 @\$15.82	\$53,708.90
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	1,496 @\$34.85	<u>\$52,135.60</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$105,844.50</b>

**Combined Savings**

**\$114,761.17**

## 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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† Lacombe County assigned a rural population of 818 to the Village of Alix