

## Village of Big Valley 2022 Return on Investment

### Your Membership

#### Total Financial Benefits

**\$45,546.44**

#### Return on Investment

**\$1.00 = \$14.48**

Based on a population of **368**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Big Valley was **\$3,146.40** in 2022.

The **direct financial return** to Big Valley Municipal Library:

2022 materials allotment	\$ 415.84
Allotment from Stettler County	<u>\$ 627.15</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,042.99</b>

### Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Big Valley Municipal Library:

Computers for library use	\$ 798.00
Software & Licensing	\$1,688.16
SuperNet connection	<u>\$6,483.60</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,171.76</b>

Resource Sharing Savings to Big Valley Municipal Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	1,867 @\$15.82	\$29,535.94
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	195 @\$34.85	<u>\$6,795.75</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$36,331.69</b>

**Combined Savings**

**\$44,503.45**

## 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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**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**