

Village of Donalda 2022 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

\$26,180.67

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$14.24

Based on a population of **215**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Donalda was **\$1,838.25** in 2022.

The **direct financial return** to Donalda Public Library:

2022 materials allotment	\$ 242.95
Allotment from Stettler County	<u>\$ 627.15</u>
TOTAL	\$ 870.10

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Donalda Public Library:

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

Resource Sharing Savings to Donalda Public Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	808 @\$15.82	\$12,782.56
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	125 @\$34.85	<u>\$4,356.25</u>
TOTAL		\$17,138.81

Combined Savings

\$25,310.57

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

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.