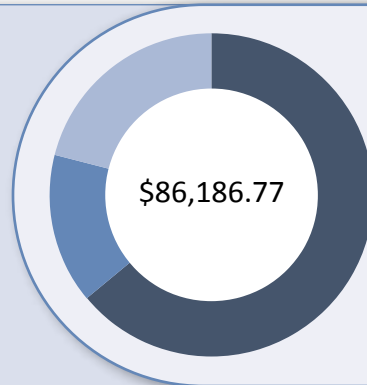
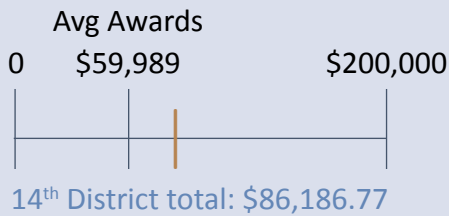


Services to Libraries: 14th Legislative District

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only agency in Washington that is specifically designated by law to assist libraries and to ensure that residents of the entire state have access to library and information services. WSL achieves these goals using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds, offering projects to improve libraries, consulting services, grants, subsidies and training to libraries.

Examples of services include support for digital literacy programming, Microsoft Office training and industry-recognized certification, early literacy programming, professional grants, specialized training for library administration, circulating STEM kits, group cost-sharing for online databases, and 24/7 online reference support for college students and Washington residents.

Awards & Subsidies



- Library grants
- Databases
- Digital services

Training Opportunities

87
individuals trained

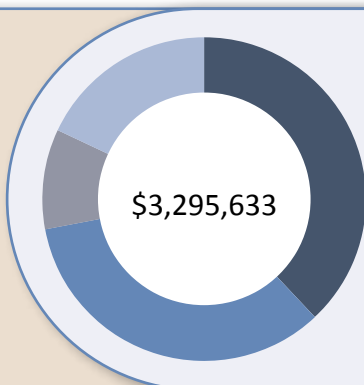
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Total Federal Funding



- Statewide Projects
- Awards & Subsidies
- Washington Talking Book & Braille Library (WTBBL)
- Prison & Hospital Libraries



Approximately \$1.37 of federal LSTA funding is received to support libraries for each dollar of state funding.

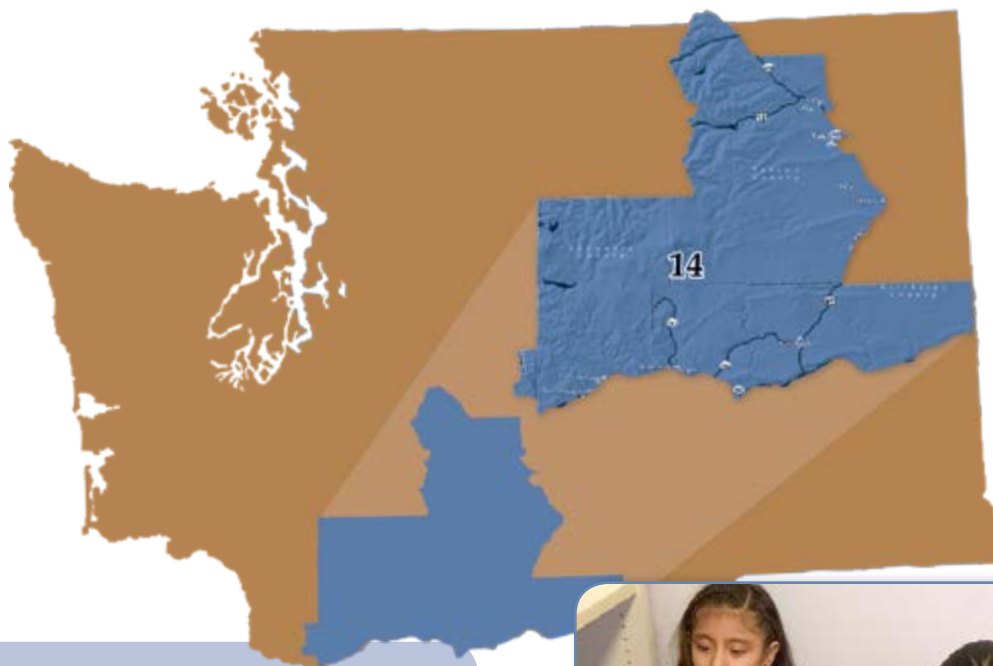
Data from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016

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Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 14th District



The Washington State Library has invested in several STEM kits, with technologies ranging from programmable robots to Lego building kits. These kits, designed to engage children with technology, are available to any public library in the state. One of these kits, called Ozobots, visited the Yakima Valley Libraries this year. The librarian reported that "Kids and Teens loved coding both ways. The techie way on the iPad and the non-techie way of using color markers. The program was a great success for us!"

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Four schools in this district received a Refreshing School Libraries grant, which provided \$1,000 to each library to update its nonfiction collection. Their librarian told us, "The addition of new and modern science, history, and art books with excellent photos and illustrations has piqued and/or renewed the interest of many students in these areas. The students and teachers are excited about the books I purchased."



"[WSL] provides many essential services to institutions and residents throughout Washington state. They are particularly important to rural areas like my own in Klickitat County, providing access to vital resources for information and training."

"Residents of the Yakima Valley benefit from the services of the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library. I have also used the unique and local Washington state history resources and the essential newspaper microfilm collection for library patrons."