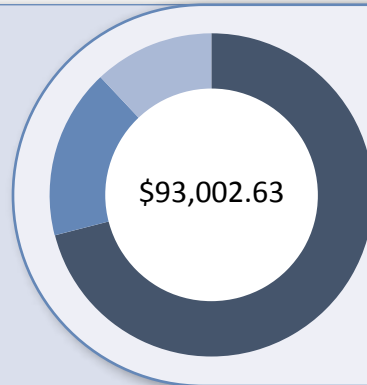
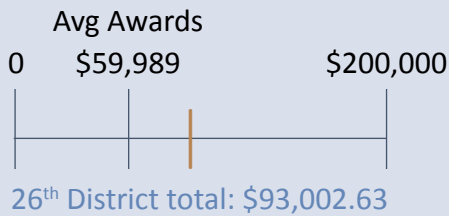


Services to Libraries: 26th Legislative District

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

44 individuals trained

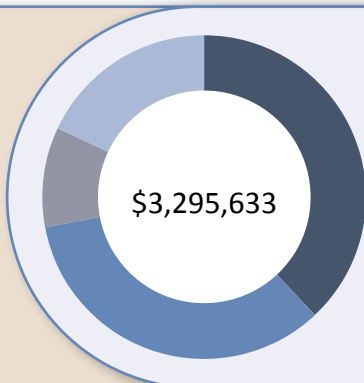
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Total Federal Funding



- 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

Visit www.sos.wa.gov/library for more information



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Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 26th District



Seven schools in the Bremerton School District received a Refreshing Schools Libraries grant, which provided \$1,000 to each library to update their nonfiction collection. A few quotes from their librarians:

- “We were able to build our nonfiction collection by adding themes that connected with our Wonders reading curriculum and Next Generation Science Standards.”
- “Using current nonfiction books to teach informational text skills is helping our students and staff see the library as a relevant place to explore real-world ideas.”
- “We have taken a big step in transforming our library collection to meet the needs of Pre K-3 and Spanish Immersion students.”
- “Our middle school students were excited about the variety of books that were added to our collection.”



“WSL supports public education, provides critical access to historical documents and information, and offers an open door to library services for compromised populations.”

“For state employees, its collections hold so much important information that help us do our work. Without [WSL’s] Continuing Education Grants I wouldn’t be able to attend conferences that help develop new services and support the needs of my agency’s staff.”