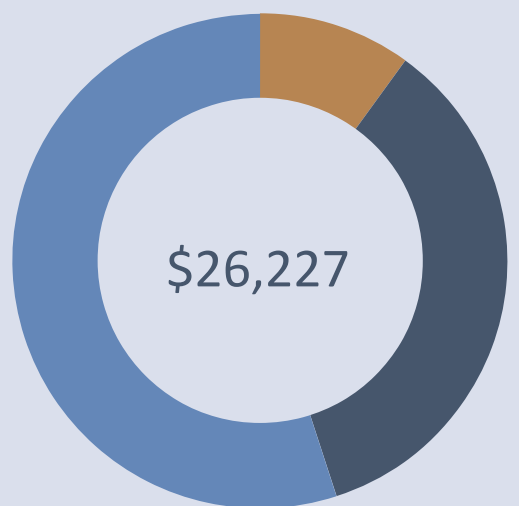




# Services to Libraries: 6<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

The Washington State Library (WSL) ensures that residents of the entire state have access to educational materials, research capabilities and resources that change lives. WSL achieves these goals in part using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds—which are dependent on state funding—to offer consulting services, grants, subsidies, training, and other programs that improve libraries and the lives of the patrons which they serve.

## Awards & Subsidies

WSL provides funding to support local libraries through circulating STEM kits, professional development grants, digital literacy, early literacy programming, cost-sharing of online databases, and 24/7 online reference services.



Databases  Digital services   
Library grants 

## Training Opportunities

WSL provides training opportunities for the library staff and the public including Microsoft Office training and industry-recognized certification, professional development, and specialized training for library administration.

15  
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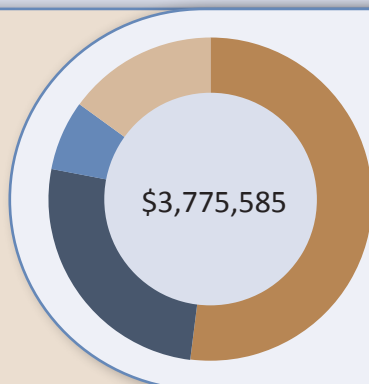
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### Training Programs & Partners



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## Total Funding



 Statewide Library Projects  
 Awards & Subsidies  
 Washington Talking Book & Braille Library  
 Prison & Hospital Libraries



For every \$1 of state funding, the state receives approximately \$1.25 in federal LSTA funding to support libraries.

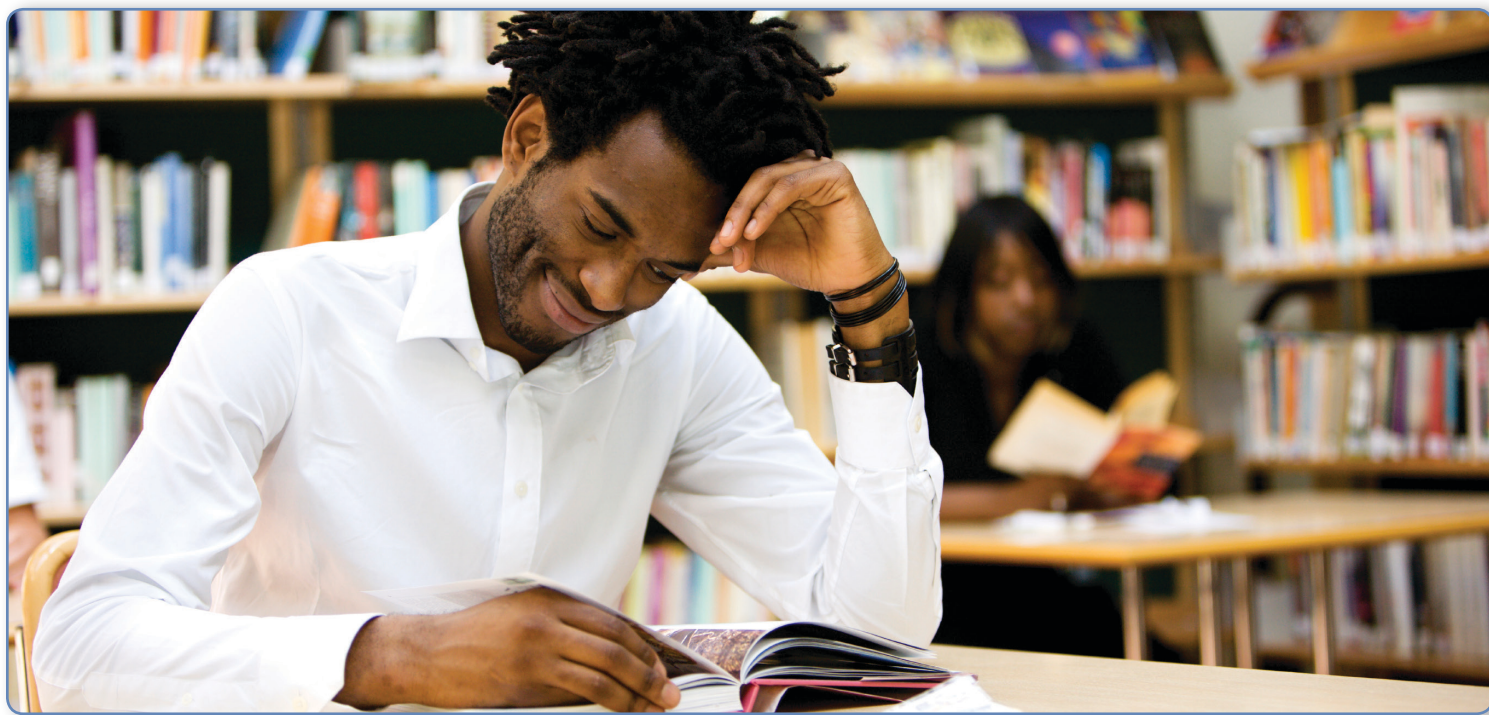
Data from October 1, 2016, to September 30, 2017, and Federal Fiscal Year 2017 budgets. Library systems may span more than one district. The amounts listed reflect the total benefit received by the library system regardless of district.

# \$26,227 to 6<sup>th</sup> Legislative District libraries

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only state agency that is specifically designated by law to assist local and regional libraries with library and information services. Below is just one example of how WSL has helped libraries in this district connect with their communities and improve the quality of life for its patrons.

The cost of textbooks has become so high in recent years that students often find it hard to pay tuition and buy textbooks. A growing trend is Open Education Resources (OER), a model which allows faculty to create their own textbooks tailored to their needs using open-source materials. The end result is free to students, often saving thousands of dollars. The State Library provided a grant to Washington's community and technical colleges so faculty librarians could position themselves as leaders in this field, helping other faculty to locate high-quality resources. The Spokane Falls Community College library was involved in this program, which provided them with the additional financial benefit to students.

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