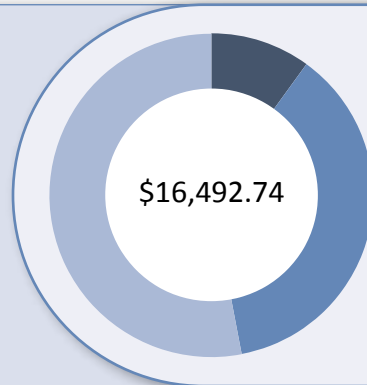
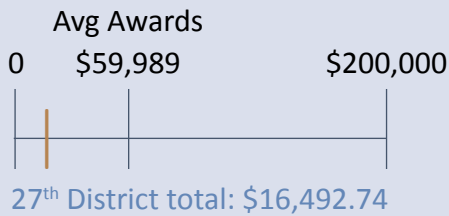


Services to Libraries: 27th Legislative District

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

35
individuals trained

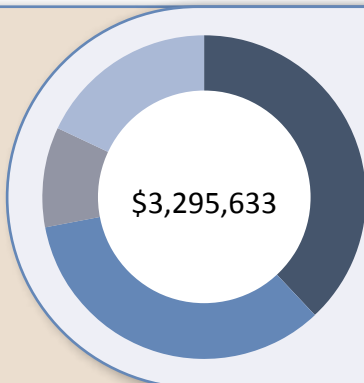
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Total Federal Funding



- 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.

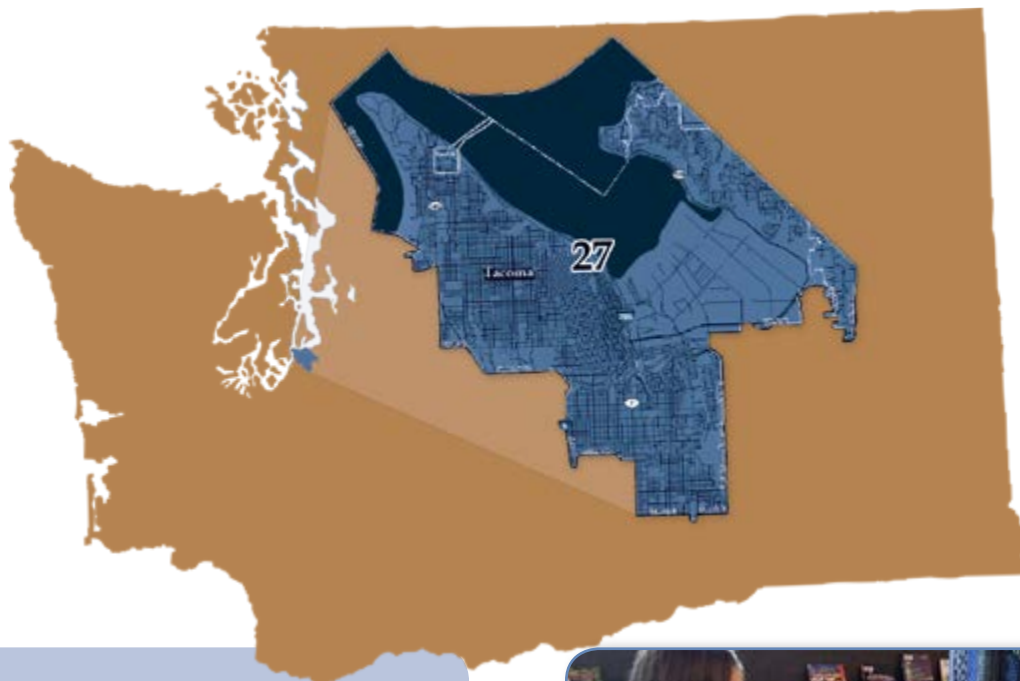
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Impact of LSTA Library Funding: 27th District



Bryant Montessori School in Tacoma received a STEM book grant, which provided 50 new books to the library. They reported, “We are an inner-city school with an enrollment of Pre-K through 8th graders. Our needs are unique as we support such a wide spread of ages. We don’t have a dedicated art teacher at Bryant, but I have shown one of our new books, *The Bird King*; an Artist’s Note-book, to several teachers. With our emphasis on art, some teachers plan on using this book for a basis for student sketching. This will be a great activity for those students, and some of them can go out and sketch plants in the garden... Another student has shown an interest in studying physics based on the book, *The Physics of Super Heroes*, by James Kakalios. There are so many examples in this book that the student must think about what would translate well into a small scale experiment for our Science Fair. She definitely has a couple in mind.”



“The State Library has provided vital support for people who may not be adequately served by their local public libraries. People who are incarcerated, people with visual impairments, and people experiencing mental illness are among our most vulnerable citizens, and can benefit the most from the intellectual and imaginative gifts provided by literature and facilitated by the work of skilled and caring librarians. The training and coordination provided by our State Library has also been invaluable”