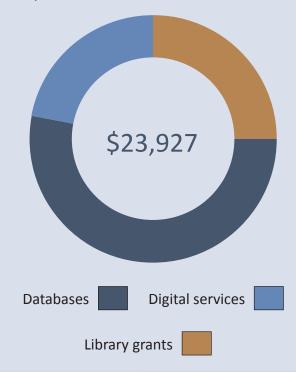
## Services to Libraries: 44th Legislative District

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.



## **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.

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Training Programs & Partners



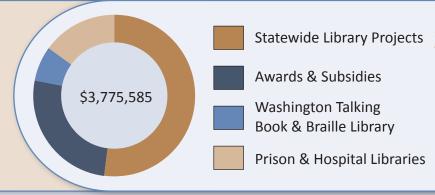






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For every
\$1 of state
funding, the
state receives
approximately
\$1.25 in federal
LSTA funding to
support libraries.

## \$23,927 to 44<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.

2017 was the year of the Great Eclipse Across America. The State Library worked with NASA's StarNet to distribute eclipse glasses to any interested public library

in the state. These libraries used the glasses to hold programs, educating and entertaining families about the wonders of the cosmos. The Snohomish library was one of these libraries. People who hadn't been in a library in years showed up to share this event with their friends and neighbors. The event was so popular it made KING 5 news that night.

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Library staff collected glasses after the event in order to share them with children in South America for use during the next eclipse in 2019.





