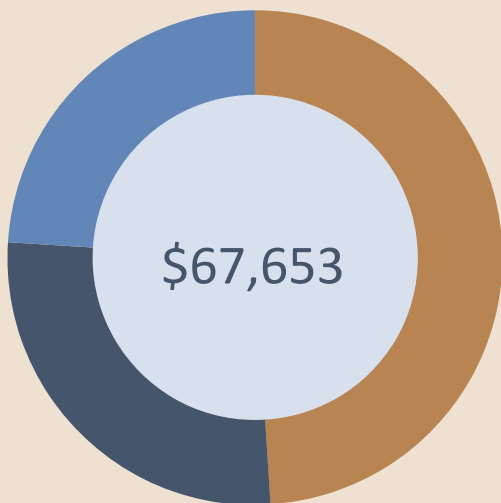





Services to Libraries: 20th Legislative District

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 using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds, which are dependent on state matching funding, to offer consulting services, grants, subsidies, training, and other programs that improve libraries.

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.

18
trainings

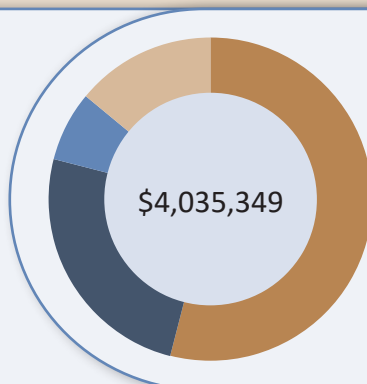
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


Training Programs & Partners



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Total Federal Funding



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



For every \$1 of state funding, the state receives approximately \$1.16 in additional federal LSTA funding to support libraries.

\$67,653 to 20th Legislative District libraries

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only state agency 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 communities and improve the quality of life for their patrons. This project and more, such as our new Lynda.com partnership, continue to drive our public libraries into the future.

A growing problem in many libraries is that they have become a de facto destination for some of the homeless population. Libraries are welcoming to all, but staff often need new skills and tools to work effectively with this population. Seeing a need, WSL brought a national expert to our state to offer training and best practices to library staff. The training was enthusiastically received with this comment from library staff in this district: “A thoroughly engaging presenter, with never a dull moment, while giving some of the most useful tips I’ve heard in libraryland! The background information about why people experiencing homelessness react differently than we might expect was really illuminating, and then the practical suggestions for how to engage with them positively were great. This is one of the best library-related trainings I’ve attended!”



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