



2019 Return on Investment for Mountain View County

Mountain View County membership levy to Parkland Regional Library = \$107,860.50

(Based on official 2019 County population of 13,074 x \$8.25 requisition amount)

Direct financial return to Mountain View County Libraries

2019 materials allotment	\$14,999.62
2019 Rural Services Grant	\$68,592.45
Outlet staff reimbursement for PRL meetings	\$0.00
PRL contribution to Water Valley Library	\$200.00
	\$83,792.07

Potential non-resident savings for households in Mountain View County ¹

5,025 Households	\$301,500.00
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Technology Savings to Mountain View County Libraries

Computers for library use	\$7,260.00
Software & licensing	\$25,684.56
SuperNet connection	\$55,188.00
	\$88,132.56

Resource Sharing Savings to Water Valley Library

1,786 Physical items borrowed from other libraries ²	\$20,664.02
363 Digital items borrowed from PRL ³	\$16,335.00
	\$36,999.02

Total financial benefits to Water Valley Library \$510,423.65

Mountain View County Return on Investment \$1 = \$4.73

Water Valley Library averaged a 37% discount on books purchased through PRL

¹ County residents can register at any PRL library without paying the minimum \$60 non-resident fee

² With bulk purchasing, PRL's average purchase price for library books was \$11.57

³ PRL paid an average price of \$45 each for eBooks and eAudiobooks

Strong Libraries, Strong Communities

With PRL membership, Mountain View County residents gain:

- Access to the 650,000 items in the collective PRL collection
- Free access to 7,000+ eBooks, 9,500 eAudiobooks, 72 eMagazine subscriptions, eComics and shared eBooks from 4 other regional libraries
- Free access to subscription online resources Ancestry (genealogy), Solaro (Alberta curriculum support), Consumer Reports, and Grant Connect; Press Reader international newspaper and magazine collection, Pronunciator language learning software, and Alberta eBooks collection
- Free broadband internet connection (SuperNet) and free wi-fi
- Access to library collections across Alberta and Canada

With PRL membership, Water Valley Library has access to:

- Province-wide resource sharing, including interlibrary lending and onsite borrowing at libraries across Alberta, to meet patron needs
- SuperNet connection paid for by the Government of Alberta
- The database that manages library borrowers and materials (Integrated Library System)
- The online library catalogue providing public access to library resources and personal account management
- The library's free managed website
- Free delivery of materials weekly or twice weekly
- Free library supplies including library cards
- 37% bulk discount on library books purchased through Parkland
- Free cataloguing and shelf-ready processing of purchased and donated library material
- Access to digital content, including books, audio, magazines, newspapers, comics, and subscription databases
- Shared regional specialty collections including
 - large print books
 - audio books
 - program Kits (storytime, maker activities, coding, gaming, virtual reality)
 - technology equipment & promotional items
- Access to national library collections for the blind and print-disabled
- Free computer, network, and website support
- Free professional library expertise (consulting service) and access to regional knowledge sharing
- Free training for library staff and trustees