

## Village of Hughenden 2023 Return on Investment

## **Your Membership**

**Total Financial Benefits** 

**Return on Investment** 

\$75,012.60

\$1.00 = \$35.57

Based on a population of **241**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Hughenden was **\$2,108.75** in 2023.

The direct financial return to Hughenden Public Library:

2023 materials allotment \$272.33 Allotment from MD of Provost 2 \$491.55 **TOTAL** \$763.88

## Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Hughenden Public Library:

Computers for library use \$849.99
Software & Licensing \$4,048.42
SuperNet connection \$6,483.60
TOTAL \$11,382.01

Resource Sharing Savings to Hughenden Public Library:

 Items borrowed from other libraries
 2,288 @\$15.78
 \$36,104.64

 Digital items borrowed from PRLS
 551 @\$48.57
 \$26,762.07

 TOTAL
 \$62,866.71

Combined Savings \$74,248.72



## System Membership Benefits:

- 623,386 items in the system collection
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines, plus shared eBooks from 4 other regional systems
- Access to 14 subscription online resources, including:
  - o Ancestry Library Edition, a popular genealogical research resource.
  - o Consumer Reports for thorough consumer product information.
  - o *Grant Connect*, linking Canadian charities with funding programs.
  - o *PressReader*, offering access to newspapers and magazines.
  - o Overdrive and Libby, eBooks and eAudiobooks available on desktop or via app.
- Hosted and managed website with 24/7 technical support
- 41% bulk discount on library books purchased through Parkland
- Cataloguing and shelf-ready processing of purchased and donated library materials
- Library supplies (library cards, barcodes, etc.) included
- Shared regional specialty collections including:
  - Large print books
  - Audiobooks
  - Program kits (book-based, tech-based, gaming, virtual reality)
  - o Gaming equipment & promotional items
  - Cooperative Collection
- Access to library collections across Alberta (in-person and through interlibrary lending)
   and throughout Canada through ME Libraries and the TAL program
- Alternate format collections for visually impaired and print disabled
- Weekly or bi-weekly delivery of library materials
- Postal reimbursement
- Professional library expertise (consulting services) and shared regional knowledge
- Specialized training for library staff and trustees