



# 2019 Return on Investment for Town of Hardisty

**Town of Hardisty membership levy to Parkland Regional Library = \$4,570.50**

(Based on official 2019 population of 554 x \$8.25 requisition amount)

## Direct financial return to Hardisty Public Library

2019 materials allotment	\$626.02
2019 Rural Services Grant	\$2,491.95
2019 allotment from county population <sup>1</sup>	\$527.71
	<b>\$3,645.68</b>

## Technology Savings to Hardisty Public Library

Computers for library use	\$907.50
Software & licensing	\$2,022.14
SuperNet connection	\$6,042.00
	<b>\$8,971.64</b>

## Resource Sharing Savings to Hardisty Public Library

812 items borrowed from other libraries <sup>2</sup>	\$9,394.84
164 digital items borrowed from PRL <sup>3</sup>	\$7,380.00
	<b>\$16,774.84</b>

## Total Savings from Technology & Resource Sharing <sup>4</sup>

**\$25,746.48**

**Total financial benefits to Hardisty Public Library = \$29,392.16**

**Town of Hardisty Return on Investment \$1 = \$6.43**

Hardisty Public Library averaged a 37% discount on books purchased through PRL

<sup>1</sup> Flagstaff County assigned a rural population of 467 to Town of Hardisty

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

<sup>3</sup> PRL paid an average price of \$45 each for eBooks and eAudiobooks

<sup>4</sup> Value of items Hardisty Public Library did not have to purchase to meet patron needs

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## With PRL membership, Town of Hardisty 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, Hardisty Public 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