



2019 Return on Investment for Town of Rocky Mtn. House

Town of Rocky Mtn. House membership levy to Parkland Regional Library = \$54,738.75

(Based on official 2019 population of 6,635 x \$8.25 requisition amount)

Direct financial return to Rocky Mtn. House Public Library

2019 materials allotment	\$7,497.55
2019 Rural Services Grant	\$47,019.60
2019 allotment from county population ¹	\$9,314.59
Postage reimbursement for resource sharing	\$107.20
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	\$63,938.94

Technology Savings to Rocky Mtn. House Public Library

Computers for library use	\$1,815.00
Software & licensing	\$7,107.71
SuperNet connection	\$10,776.00
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	\$19,698.71

Resource Sharing Savings to Rocky Mtn. House Public Library

18,683 items borrowed from other libraries ²	\$216,162.31
5,416 digital items borrowed from PRL ³	\$243,720.00
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	\$459,882.31

Total Savings from Technology & Resource Sharing ⁴

\$479,581.02

Total financial benefits to Rocky Mtn. House Public Library = \$543,519.96

Town of Rocky Mtn. House Return on Investment \$1 = \$9.93

Rocky Mtn. House Public Library averaged a 37% discount on books purchased through PRL

¹ Clearwater County assigned a rural population of 8,243 to Town of Rocky Mtn. House

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

⁴ Value of items Rocky Mtn. House Public Library did not have to purchase to meet patron needs

Strong Libraries, Strong Communities

With PRL membership, Town of Rocky Mtn. House 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, Rocky Mtn. House 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