

Camrose County

2022 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

Return on Investment

\$315,281.37

\$1.00 = \$4.18

Based on a population of **8,821**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Camrose County was **\$75,419.55** in 2022.

The **direct financial return** as a result of membership to Parkland Regional Library System to Camrose County Libraries:

 2022 materials allotment
 \$9,967.73

 Rural Library Services Grant 1
 \$45,421.20

 TOTAL \$55,388.93

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Camrose County Libraries:

 Computers for library use
 \$8,720.70

 Software & Licensing
 \$21,394.54

 SuperNet connection
 \$36,397.20

 TOTAL
 \$66,512.44

Potential non-resident savings for households in Camrose County:

3,223 Households₂ \$193,380.00

Combined Savings \$259,892.44



System Membership Benefits:

- 599,120 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.
 - 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
- 40% 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

¹ Camrose County assigned a rural population of 8,184 to the Camrose County Libraries ² Number of county families can save the \$60 non-resident fee

Bashaw, Bawlf, Camrose, Edberg, and Hay Lakes have libraries serving Camrose County