## Services to Libraries: 21<sup>st</sup> Legislative District

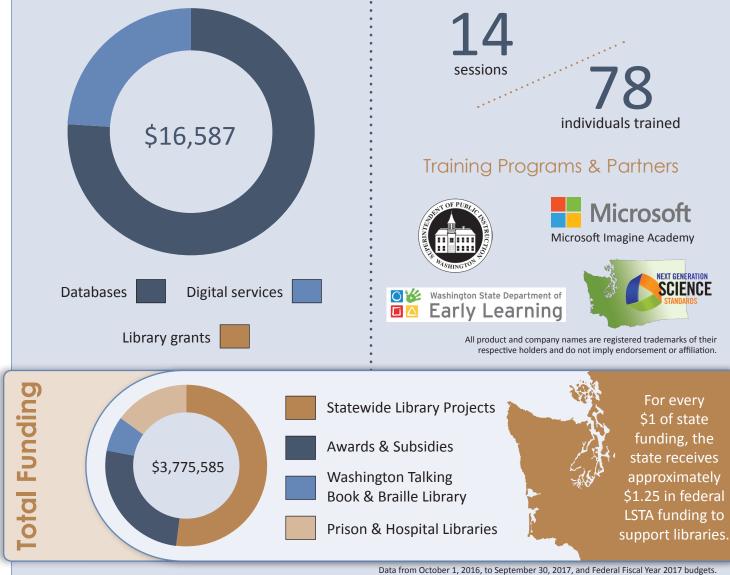
The Washington State Library (WSL) ensures that residents of the entire state have access to educational materials, research capabilities and resources that change lives. WSL achieves these goals in part using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds—which are dependent on state funding—to offer consulting services, grants, subsidies, training, and other programs that improve libraries and the lives of the patrons which they serve.

## **Awards & Subsidies**

WSL provides funding to support local libraries through circulating STEM kits, professional development grants, digital literacy, early literacy programming, cost-sharing of online databases, and 24/7 online reference services.

## **Training Opportunities**

WSL provides training opportunities for the library staff and the public including Microsoft Office training and industry-recognized certification, professional development, and specialized training for library administration.



Library systems may span more than one district. The amounts listed reflect the total benefit received by the library system regardless of district.

## \$16,587 to 21<sup>st</sup> Legislative District libraries

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only state agency that is specifically designated by law to assist local and regional libraries with library and information services. Below is just one example of how WSL has helped libraries in this district connect with their communities and improve the quality of life for its patrons.

Studies have shown that schools with librarians on staff have higher student success. In many schools, it is the librarian who is responsible for keeping the school current with the latest technology and standards. The State Library works to ensure that teachers and librarians receive the training they need to stay informed. The State Library works to ensure that teachers and librarians receive the training they need to stay informed.

This year's all-day training was in "Digital Citizenship." Teacher librarians were trained in methods to integrate Digital Citizenship across the curriculum, how to find high-quality resources to support the work of teachers and students, and given takeaway activities that can be implemented locally. Several librarians from this district attended the training and brought this knowledge back to their schools.



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