Services to Libraries: 7th Legislative District

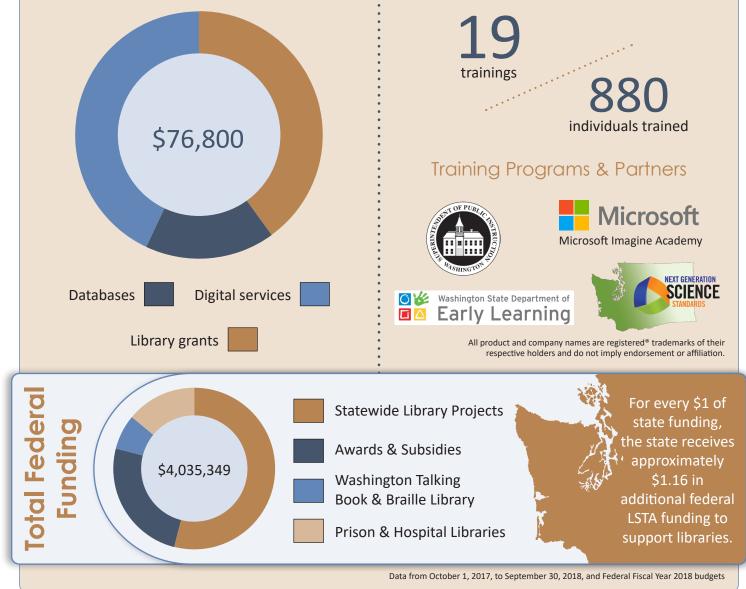
The Washington State Library (WSL) ensures that residents of the entire state have access to educational materials, research capabilities, and resources that change lives. WSL achieves these goals using federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds, which are dependent on state matching funding,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

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.



\$76,800 to 7th Legislative District libraries

The Washington State Library (WSL) is the only state agency 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 communities and improve the quality of life for their patrons. This project and more, such as our new Lynda.com partnership, continue to drive our public libraries into the future.

Washington state is a national leader in technology, and WSL recognizes the importance of exposing children early to technology and computer programming. There are many engaging educational toys for children to capture their imaginations. However, these kits are very expensive and often beyond the reach of some of our state's smaller libraries. Seeing a need, WSL purchased several different STEM kits which rotate all over the state. By sharing kits, we are able to provide high quality programming to any interested library. This year, several of our kits visited libraries in this district to provide fun and educational opportunities for many children.



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