

City of Camrose

2023 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

\$1,821,176.81

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$10.66

Based on a population of **19,532**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the City of Camrose was **\$170,905.00** in 2023.

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

2023 materials allotment	\$22,071.16
Rural Library Services Grant	\$23,542.40
Allotment from Camrose County ¹	\$4,748.26
Allotment from S.V. of Bittern Lake ²	<u>\$247.47</u>
TOTAL	\$50,609.29

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Camrose Public Library:

Computers for library use	\$5,949.93
Software & Licensing	\$13,707.16
SuperNet connection	<u>\$10,242.00</u>
TOTAL	\$29,899.09

Resource Sharing Savings to Camrose Public Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	53,702@\$15.78	\$847,417.56
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	18,391@\$48.57	<u>\$893,250.87</u>
TOTAL		\$1,740,668.43

Combined Savings

\$1,770,567.52

System Membership Benefits:

- 623,386 items in the system collection
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines, plus shared eBooks from 4 other regional systems
- Access to 14 subscription online resources, including:
 - *Ancestry Library Edition*, a popular genealogical research resource.
 - *Consumer Reports* for thorough consumer product information.
 - *Grant Connect*, linking Canadian charities with funding programs.
 - *PressReader*, offering access to newspapers and magazines.
 - *Overdrive and Libby*, eBooks and eAudiobooks available on desktop or via app.
- Hosted and managed website with 24/7 technical support
- 41% 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)
 - 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 4,202 to the Camrose Public Library

² S.V. of Bittern Lake assigned its population of 219 to Camrose Public Library