

MD of Provost #52

2023 Return on Investment

Your Membership

Total Financial Benefits

\$343,017.03

Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$18.03

Based on a population of **2,174**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the MD of Provost #52 was **\$19,022.50** in 2023.

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

2023 materials allotment ¹	<u>\$2,456.62</u>
TOTAL	\$2,456.62

Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to MD Provost Libraries:

Computers for library use	\$5,099.94
Software & Licensing	\$20,899.82
SuperNet connection	<u>\$26,155.20</u>
TOTAL	\$58,638.56

Resource Sharing Savings to MD Provost Libraries:

Items borrowed from other libraries	7,837 @\$15.78	\$123,667.86
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	2,207 @\$48.57	<u>\$107,193.99</u>
TOTAL		\$230,861.85

Potential non-resident savings for households in MD of Provost #52:

851 Households ² (from the 2021 Federal Census)	\$51,060.00
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Combined Savings **\$340,560.41**

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 PRLS allotment allocated to MD Provost libraries as determined by the MD Board

² Number of county families can save the \$60 non-resident fee

Amisk, Cadogan, Czar, Hughenden and Provost have libraries serving MD Provost #52