

## Village of Cremona

### 2023 Return on Investment

#### Your Membership

#### Total Financial Benefits

\$135,542.82

#### Return on Investment

\$1.00 = \$37.06

Based on a population of **418**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Cremona was **\$3,657.50** in 2023.

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

2023 materials allotment	\$472.34
Rural Library Services Grant	\$7,688.80
Allotment from Mountain View County	<u>\$1,655.45</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,816.59</b>

#### Cost benefits of PRLS services

Technology Savings to Cremona Municipal Library:

Computers for library use	\$0.00
Software & Licensing	\$4,706.14
SuperNet connection	<u>\$6,483.60</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,189.74</b>

Resource Sharing Savings to Cremona Municipal Library:

Items borrowed from other libraries	4,639 @\$15.78	\$73,203.42
Digital items borrowed from PRLS	851 @\$48.57	<u>\$41,333.07</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$114,536.49</b>

**Combined Savings**

**\$125,726.23**

## 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

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<sup>1</sup> Mountain View County assigned a rural population of 1,465 to the Village of Cremona