

## Village of Heisler

### 2023 Return on Investment

#### Your Membership

#### **Total Financial Benefits**

**\$54,215.65**

#### **Return on Investment**

**\$1.00 = \$37.33**

Based on a population of **166**, the cost of membership to Parkland Regional Library System for the Village of Heisler was **\$1,452.50** in 2023.

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

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| 2023 materials allotment                     | \$187.58          |
| Rural Library Services Grant                 | \$2,615.20        |
| Allotment from Flagstaff County <sup>1</sup> | <u>\$515.28</u>   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                 | <b>\$3,318.06</b> |

#### **Cost benefits of PRLS services**

Technology Savings to Heisler Municipal Library:

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Computers for library use | \$0.00             |
| Software & Licensing      | \$4,048.42         |
| SuperNet connection       | <u>\$6,483.60</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>\$10,532.02</b> |

Resource Sharing Savings to Heisler Municipal Library:

|                                     |                |                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Items borrowed from other libraries | 1,570 @\$15.78 | \$24,774.60        |
| Digital items borrowed from PRLS    | 321 @\$48.57   | <u>\$15,590.97</u> |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                        |                | <b>\$40,365.57</b> |

**Combined Savings**

**\$50,897.59**

## 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> Flagstaff County assigned a rural population of 456 to the Village of Heisler