

ENRICH IOWA REPORT | FISCAL YEAR 2024

Uses & Impacts of Enrich Iowa Funding to Iowa Libraries for Open Access, Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement, and Direct State Aid Library Programs

The State Library of Iowa annually administers funding appropriated by the Iowa Legislature to libraries in Iowa. Enrich Iowa consists of three programs to aid libraries in offering improved service to Iowans:

- **OPEN ACCESS** enables Iowans to check out physical materials at participating libraries, providing them with direct access to more materials and information resources.
- **INTERLIBRARY LOAN REIMBURSEMENT** provides Iowans with equal access to library resources by supporting loans of materials among all types of libraries.
- **DIRECT STATE AID** improves public library services and reduces inequities among communities.

This report is submitted to the Iowa Legislature and Governor in accordance with Iowa Code Section 8A.209.

FY24 ENRICH IOWA FUNDING	
PROGRAM	AMOUNT
Open Access	\$900,000
Interlibrary Loan	\$464,823
Direct State Aid	\$1,100,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$2,464,823

OPEN ACCESS

Open Access provides Iowans with direct access to more library materials and information resources. It enables eligible customers to go to participating libraries and directly check out physical materials.

As a result, Iowans have greater access to more library resources, more choices in library service, and the convenience of using a library where they work, shop, or visit. The state reimburses the loaning library a small amount for each item checked out to offset expenses.

LIBRARY IMPACT: 495 Iowa libraries (public and academic) participated in the Open Access program in FY24.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN REIMBURSEMENT

Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement provides Iowa citizens with equal access to library resources by encouraging and supporting the loaning of materials among all types of libraries. If a library does not own a book a local patron needs, the library can borrow it through interlibrary loan. Libraries are reimbursed with state funding to help offset costs.

LIBRARY IMPACT: 545 Iowa libraries (public and non-public) participated in the Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement program in FY24.

ITEMS BORROWED IN FY24

Open Access
2,537,632

Interlibrary Loan
380,960

Brenda Hall, Interim State Librarian

Find out more at

www.StateLibraryofIowa.gov

DIRECT STATE AID

Direct State Aid provides financial support to public libraries from state funds, with the goal of moving library service in Iowa closer to the ideal envisioned by library customers, librarians, and government officials.

Public libraries are required to submit a report on how they used the Direct State Aid money distributed to their library, which is reflected in the accompanying table featuring high-level categories on how the funding was spent.

LIBRARY IMPACT: Since 2014, Direct State Aid funding has helped lead to a **20.1 percent increase** in the number of accredited libraries in Iowa. In FY24, **468 public libraries** (out of 543) in Iowa received Direct State Aid funding.

2024 ACCREDITED LIBRARIES

Libraries renew their accreditation status on a three-year cycle. **Congratulations to the 170 libraries below that renewed their status in 2024!**

ACKLEY	COON RAPIDS	HARLAN	NORA SPRINGS	SIoux CITY
ALBIA	CORALVILLE	HARTLEY	NORTH EN-	SLATER
ALDEN	CORNING	HOLSTEIN	GLISH	SLOAN
ALTA	COULTER	HOPKINTON	NORWALK	SOLOn
ALTOONA	CRESTON	HUDSON	OAKLAND	SPENCER
ANITA	CRYSTAL LAKE	HUMBOLDT	OELWEIN	SPIRIT LAKE
ANKENY	CUMBERLAND	HUMESTON	OLIN	ST. ANSGAR
ARLINGTON	DE SOTO	INDEPENDENCE	ONAWA	STACYVILLE
ASHTON	DENVER	JANESVILLE	OSAGE	STANHOPE
ATLANTIC	DUBUQUE	JEWELL	OSKALOOSA	STORM LAKE
AVOCA	DUBUQUE	KEYSTONE	OSSIAN	SUMNER
BAGLEY	COUNTY	KNOXVILLE	OXFORD JUNC-	SWISHER
BANCROFT	DUMONT	LA PORTE CITY	TION	TIFFIN
BATTLE CREEK	DUNKERTON	LAKE CITY	PARKERSBURG	TRURO
BAXTER	EARLHAM	LAKE PARK	PATON	URBANDALE
BELLE PLAINE	ELDON	LAKE VIEW	PELLA	VAN METER
BETTENDORF	ELK HORN	LAKOTA	PLEASANTVILLE	VENTURA
BLAKESBURG	ELKADER	LANSING	POCAHONTAS	VICTOR
BLOOMFIELD	EMMETSBURG	LAURENS	POLK CITY	VINTON
BONAPARTE	EXIRA	LE CLAIRE	RADCLIFFE	WATERLOO
BONDURANT	FAIRBANK	LE GRAND	REINBECK	WAUKEE
BURT	FAIRFIELD	LOHRVILLE	REMSEN	WAUKON
CARLISLE	FAYETTE	LOST NATION	RICHLAND	WEBSTER CITY
CEDAR FALLS	FENTON	LOWDEN	RINGSTED	WELLMAN
CEDAR RAPIDS	FERTILE	MANCHESTER	ROCK VALLEY	WELLSBURG
CHARITON	FONTANELLE	MARION	ROCKWELL	WESLEY
CHEROKEE	FORT ATKINSON	MCGREGOR	ROLAND	WEST BEND
CHURDAN	FREDERICKS-	MELBOURNE	SALEM	WEST LIBERTY
CLARINDA	BURG	MILFORD	SANBORN	WEST POINT
CLARION	GARNER	MITCHELLVILLE	SCOTT COUNTY	WEST UNION
CLARKSVILLE	GRAND JUNC-	MONONA	SCRANTON	WILTON
CLERMONT	TION	MORNING SUN	SHELL ROCK	WINFIELD
CLINTON	GREENE	MOUNT VER-	SIDNEY	WINTHROP
COLFAX	GREENFIELD	NON	SIGOURNEY	
COLUMBUS	GRIMES	NEW HAMPTON	SILVER CITY	
JUNCTION	GUTTENBERG	NEWELL	SIoux CENTER	

DIRECT STATE AID FY24 Funding Spent by Category

CATEGORY	AMOUNT SPENT
Collections	\$569,019
Technology	\$142,710
Programming	\$121,603
Personnel	\$95,962
Furniture	\$77,800
Other	\$60,445
Capital Projects	\$32,462
TOTAL DISTRIBUTED	\$1,100,000

DIRECT STATE AID FUNDING FORMULA

The funding formula for **Direct State Aid** is based on three tiers of public library accreditation standards. Funding increases with greater compliance to standards, providing an incentive for libraries to improve service.



TIER 3

Highest Funding Level
Accredited Library
419 Public Libraries*



TIER 2

Middle Funding Level
18 Public Libraries*



TIER 1

Lowest Funding Level
35 Public Libraries*

*In FY24, out of 543 public libraries in Iowa; 75 public libraries were not eligible for Direct State Aid funding.



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