



ENRICH IOWA REPORT | FISCAL YEAR 2025

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.

FY25 ENRICH IOWA FUNDING

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

ITEMS BORROWED IN FY25

Open Access
2,547,289

Interlibrary Loan
391,669

Brenda Hall, State Librarian

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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: 494 Iowa libraries (public and academic) participated in the Open Access program in FY25.

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: 543 Iowa libraries (public and non-public) participated in the Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement program in FY25.

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: In FY25, **471 public libraries** (out of 544) in Iowa received Direct State Aid funding.

FY25 ACCREDITED LIBRARIES

Libraries renew their accreditation status on a three-year cycle.

Congratulations to the 70 libraries below that renewed or achieved their status as of July 1, 2024!

Alexander Public Library	Livermore Public Library
Bennett Public Library	Logan Public Library
Britt Public Library	Madrid Public Library
Buffalo Center Public Library	Malvern Public Library
Burlington Public Library	Manson Public Library
Cambridge Memorial Library	Massena Public Library
Carter Lake Public Library	Maxwell Public Library
Collins Public Library	Milo Public Library
Corwith Public Library	Missouri Valley Public Library
Cresco Public Library	Monroe Public Library
Eagle Grove Memorial Library	Stilwell Public Library
Early Public Library	New Virginia Public Library
Eddyville Public Library	Newhall Public Library
Ellsworth Public Library	Ottumwa Public Library
Estherville Public Library	Oxford Public Library
Farmington Public Library	Kirchner French Memorial Library
Gilman Public Library	Red Oak Public Library
Gowrie Public Library	Rockwell City Public Library
Granger Public Library	Rowan Public Library
Drake Community Library	Ruthven Public Library
Hamburg Public Library	Sac City Public Library
Hospers Public Library	Schleswig Public Library
Hubbard Public Library	Somers Public Library
Huxley Public Library	Spillville Public Library
Ionia Community Library	Springville Memorial Library
Jesup Public Library	Gutekunst Public Library
Kalona Public Library	Stuart Public Library
Kensett Public Library	Thompson Public Library
Keokuk Public Library	Tipton Public Library
Klemme Public Library	Van Horne Public Library
Letts Public Library	Westgate Public Library
Lewis Public Library	

DIRECT STATE AID FY25 Funding Spent by Category

CATEGORY	AMOUNT SPENT
Collections	\$567,788
Technology	\$139,336
Programming	\$122,822
Personnel	\$88,885
Other	\$78,936
Furniture	\$60,369
Capital Projects	\$41,864
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
16 Public Libraries*



TIER 1

Lowest Funding Level
36 Public Libraries*

*In FY25, out of 544 public libraries in Iowa; 73 public libraries were not eligible for Direct State Aid funding.



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