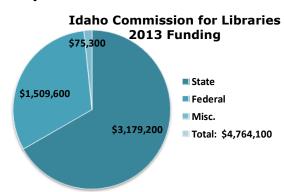
2013 IMLS Support to Idaho Libraries

The Idaho Commission for Libraries assists libraries to build the capacity to better serve their clientele.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 17,500 museums. In 2013,



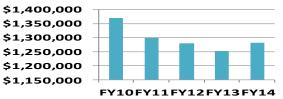
IMLS support to Idaho libraries came primarily through Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funding and a National Leadership Grant to the Idaho Commission for Libraries.



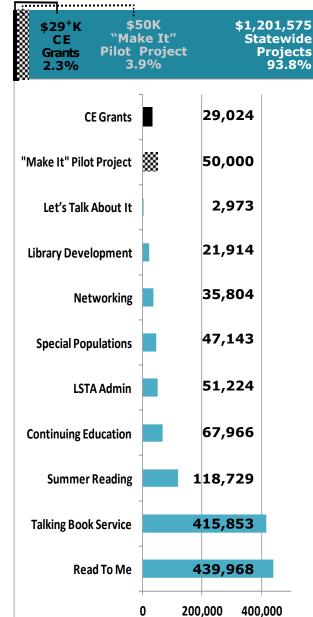
Library Services and Technology Act "Grants to States Program"

Each U.S. state receives an annual allocation, based on population, from IMLS through the LSTA Grants to States Program. Idaho Commission for Libraries uses Idaho's LSTA funds primarily for statewide projects, with an additional focus on continuing education (CE) grants to individual libraries and scalable, replicable pilot projects.





Breakdown of LSTA Projects Spending-\$1,280,599



Project Descriptions

Continuing Education: Online and face-to-face learning opportunities for Idaho library staff members, including \$29,024 for CE grants to individual libraries:

- \$6,750–Formal Library Science Course/Professional Development
- \$22,274–CE Grants for First Time Conference Attendance

Let's Talk About It: Program bringing together humanities scholars and adult readers to discuss American literature.

16 public libraries participated in 2013.

Library Development: Tools for gathering, printing, and distributing library statistics.

Networking Services: Coordination for statewide initiatives among libraries that support library service for users in Idaho's communities and schools.

- 195 libraries participated in LiLI-Unlimited; 110,764 interlibrary loans.
- **Read to Me (RTM):** Early literacy programs, (supported by a combination of State and LSTA funding) for Idaho libraries and their community partners.

Special Populations: Training and resources for Idaho libraries and community partners to create opportunities for mid-life adults. Training and resources for Idaho libraries and community partners to create opportunities for tweens & teens, including \$50,000 for "Make It at the Library," a pilot program supporting the creation of STEM-based programming.

• 5 public libraries implemented makerspaces in 2013, engaging 3,585 teens/ tweens and 1,120 families and 4,650 people through outreach events.

Summer Reading/Bright Futures: Collaborative Summer Library Program membership and program manuals/outreach for summer reading programs. • 95,000 kids impacted by library Summer Reading programs in 2013.

Talking Book Service (TBS): Access to audio and Braille books and magazines, and audio players for Idahoans unable to read standard print due to any physical limitation.

2,863 TBS users read 171,278 items; 536 new users were established.

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National Leadership Grant

Routes to Reading: A three-year, \$250,000 Grade Level Reading Grant to significantly increase the amount of reading done in Idaho homes and child care settings. Project components include Tumblebooks™ e-books for children; DayByDayID.org Storytimes Online; and "Books to Go" bins placed at Head Start sites, developmental preschools, child care centers, and home-based child care locations so parents and caregivers have convenient, continuous access to quality books pre-packaged with literacy materials.

• 86% of 1,300 parents who completed the "Books to Go" quick survey indicated they increased the amount of time spent reading as a result of the program.



300 "Books to Go" bins with 32,000 books

58 libraries working with 154 local partners



7,000⁺ Idaho children with access to quality books



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