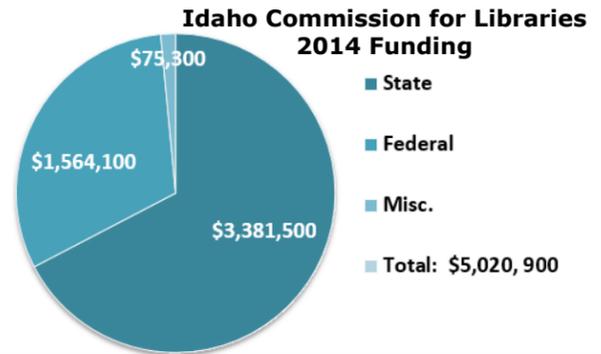


2014 IMLS Support to Idaho Libraries

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 2014, 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.



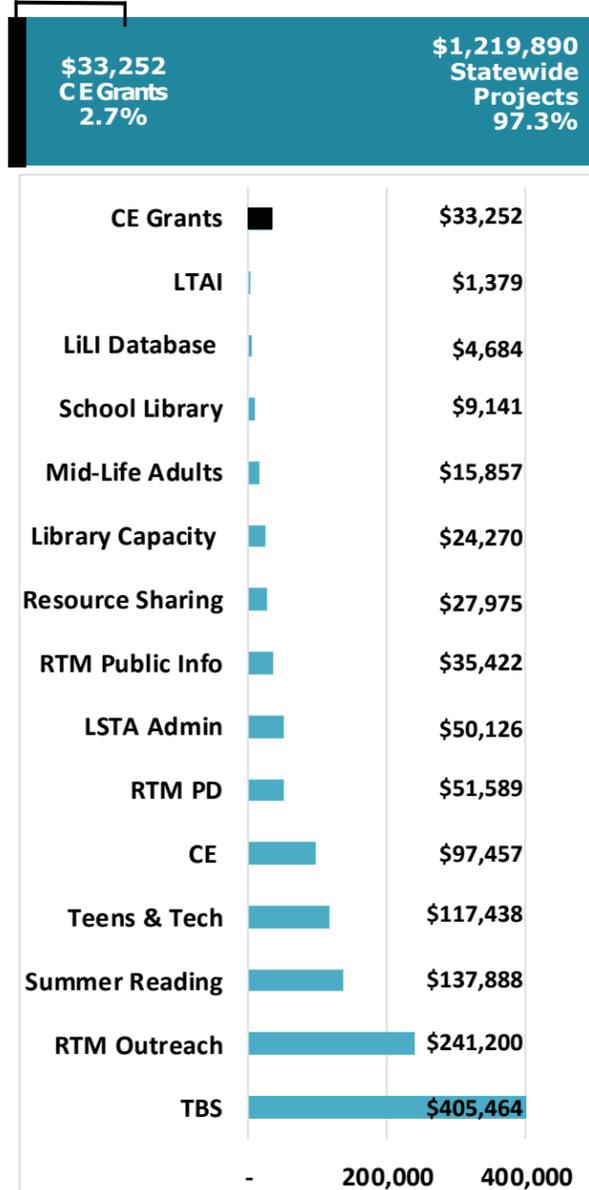
Library Services and Technology Act "Grants to States Program"

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—including scalable, replicable pilot projects—with an additional focus on continuing education (CE) grants to individual libraries.

Idaho's Annual LSTA Allocation



Breakdown of LSTA Projects Spending—\$1,253,142



Project Descriptions

- Continuing Education (CE) Grants:** Provides continuing education grants to public, school, and academic libraries.
- Let's Talk About It (LTAI):** Brings together humanities scholars and adult readers to discuss American literature, serving 800-1,000 Idahoans at rural libraries each year.
- Libraries Linking Idaho (LiLI) Database Training and Support:** Provides statewide access to online information resources for Idahoans through libraries and lili.org.
- School Library Development:** Helps Idaho school librarians develop and/or expand their library programs through education, training, and information dissemination.
- Mid-Life Adults:** Provides information, training, technical assistance, and resources for Idaho libraries and their community partners serving mid-life adults.
- Library Capacity Building:** Encourages Idaho public, school, and academic libraries to develop and deliver innovative services. Tools to collect annual public library statistics.
- Statewide Resource Sharing:** Coordinates development of statewide interlibrary loan practices to improve information access for Idahoans.
- Read to Me (RTM) Public Information:** Helps librarians reach more underserved families in their communities and advances early literacy statewide by supporting Family Reading Week and Día de los Niños activities.
- Read to Me (RTM) Professional Development (PD):** Offers ongoing training to increase knowledge, skills, and "best practice" abilities in early literacy for school and public library staff.
- Continuing Education (CE):** Strengthens Idaho libraries through staff development for library staff, directors, and trustees to enhance delivery of quality library services.
- Teens & Technology:** Provides support and services to libraries serving young people 9 to 18 years and training to librarians serving that age group, including maker activities.
- Summer Reading:** Supports statewide summer reading activities that offer children of all economic groups the opportunity to continue reading and learning throughout the summer.
- Read to Me (RTM) Outreach:** Helps libraries reach underserved families and advances early literacy statewide by supporting Every Child Ready to Read, Jumpstart Kindergarten, Idaho Child Care Reads, Fun with Math & Science, and My First Book activities.
- Talking Book Service (TBS):** Provides reading materials to Idaho residents unable to read standard print due to a physical disability or reading disability. The Idaho TBS is a regional library of the National Library Service's (NLS) Talking Book Program.

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.*



391 "Books to Go" bins with 43,000 books



75 libraries working with 200 local partners



7,000+ Idaho children with access to quality books