



# ENRICH IOWA REPORT

## FISCAL YEAR 2016

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

The State Library of Iowa administers funding appropriated annually 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 from participating libraries to check out physical materials at other 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 256.57(6).*

## OPEN ACCESS

**Open Access** provides Iowans with direct access to more library materials and information resources. It is a reciprocal borrowing program that enables customers from a participating library to go to other participating libraries and directly check out physical materials.

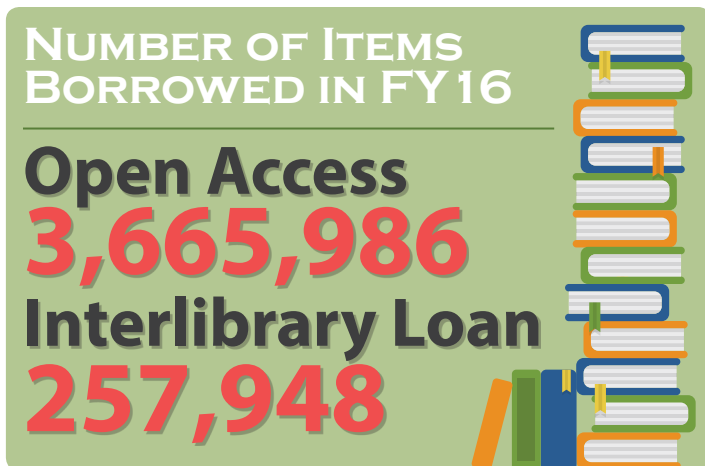
As a result, Iowans have greater access to more library resources, more choices in library service, and the convenience of using a library where they work, shop, or visit. The state reimburses the loaning library a small amount for each item checked out to offset expenses.

**LIBRARY IMPACT:** 598 Iowa libraries (public and non-public) participated in the Open Access program in FY16.

## INTERLIBRARY LOAN

**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:** 591 Iowa libraries (public and non-public) participated in the Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement program in FY16.



## ENRICH IOWA FY16 FUNDING

FY16 Appropriation	\$2,574,228
Open Access	\$1,258,510
Interlibrary Loan	\$380,718
Direct State Aid	\$935,000



*Staff at participating libraries assist patrons to request materials through the Interlibrary Loan program or check out items through the Open Access program.*



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# DIRECT STATE AID

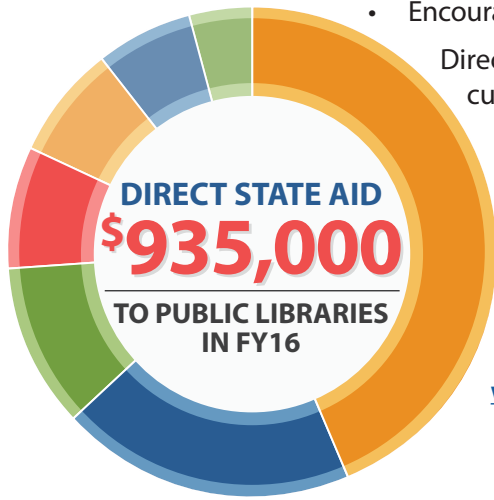
Direct State Aid provides financial support to public libraries from State of Iowa funds. It is carefully designed to:

- Improve public library service in Iowa through increased funding incentives
- Reduce inequities in access to information for Iowa residents
- Ensure local discretion in the use of resources
- Enhance, not replace local funding
- Encourage the adoption of recognized library standards with graduated payment levels

Direct State Aid moves library service in Iowa closer to the ideal envisioned by library customers, librarians, and governmental officials.

**LIBRARY IMPACT:** Since 2006, Direct State Aid funding has helped lead to a **13 percent increase** in the number of accredited libraries in Iowa. In FY16, **484 public libraries** (out of 544) in Iowa received Direct State Aid funding. Iowa libraries that receive Direct State Aid report on the funding use based on set categories. Libraries are also given the opportunity to provide comments or stories on the impacts of these funds. The funding amounts, categories, and comments are available in a more detailed report at:

[www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia/eilr/leg-reports](http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia/eilr/leg-reports).



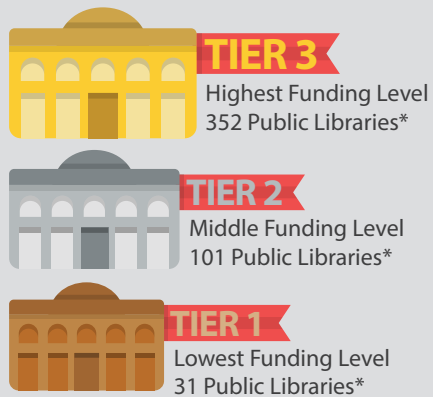
## DIRECT STATE AID FY16 FUNDING SPENT BY CATEGORY

Total Distributed to Libraries	\$935,000
Materials & Supplies	\$409,255
Technology & Equipment	\$182,510
Personnel	\$101,197
Programs	\$74,956
Furniture	\$69,982
Other	\$60,272
Capital Improvements	\$36,828

See how your public library used Direct State Aid funding at [www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia/eilr/leg-reports](http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia/eilr/leg-reports)

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.

\*In FY16, out of 544 public libraries in Iowa; 60 public libraries were not eligible for Direct State Aid funding.



## ENRICH IOWA PROGRAM REVIEW & REPORT

In July 2014, Interim State Librarian Barb Corson, with the support of the Iowa Commission of Libraries, named a Steering Committee to begin the process of reviewing the Enrich Iowa Program.

The Steering Committee was charged with developing a plan and timeline, ensuring that the process allowed for input from all stakeholders, including a Task Force of librarians from all types and sizes of Iowa libraries.

The State Library formed a Staff Committee to examine the recommendations from the Steering Committee and Task Force. Staff reviewed the issues and developed, with input from the Task Force, proposed changes to the Enrich Iowa Program to take effect July 1, 2017.

The final report and its recommendations were approved by the Iowa Commission of Libraries during the September 2016 meeting. Read the full report, including the Steering Committee and Task Force rationale and upcoming changes to the program at

[www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia](http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/e/enrich-ia)

**ENRICH IOWA REVIEW REPORT**  
JULY 2016

**BACKGROUND:**  
In July 2014, Interim State Librarian Barb Corson, with the support of the Iowa Commission of Libraries, named a steering committee to begin the process of reviewing the Enrich Iowa Program. The 524 revised Enrich Iowa Program is comprised of Open Access and Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement, which began in 1985, and Direct State Aid, which debuted in 1999. The Code of Iowa, sec. 25A.57 outlines the Enrich Iowa Program.

"I, an enrich Iowa program is established in the division to provide direct state assistance to public libraries, to support the open access and interlibrary programs, to improve public libraries with an incentive to improve services that are in compliance with performance measures, and to reduce inequities among communities in the delivery of library services based on performance measures adopted by rule by the commission. The commission shall outline rules governing the allocation of funds appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of this section to provide direct state assistance to eligible public libraries. A public library is eligible for funds under this chapter if it is in compliance with the commission's performance measures."

The steering committee was charged with developing a plan and timeline for the thorough review of the Enrich Iowa Program and ensuring that the process allowed for input from all stakeholders, including librarians of all types and sizes, from around Iowa. Steering committee members included: Betty Thompson, Iowa Commission of Libraries; Rebecca Furler, State Library Advisory Panel; Barbara Corson, Interim State Librarian; Nancy Madson, State Library; Scott Chaverson, State Library; Sandy Hall, State Library; and Marie Harris, State Library. The first meeting was held on August 7, 2014.

TIMELINE ESTABLISHED	
AUGUST 7, 2014	Steering Committee meets
SEPTEMBER 1, 2014	Adopted Task Force
OCTOBER 9, 2014	Task Force first meeting
JANUARY 9, 2015	Task Force releases recommendation(s) for public comment
FEBRUARY 2015	Recommendation(s) to Commission
JUNE 2017	Completion of development of changes, sharing information with libraries
AUGUST 2017	Implementation of changes to Enrich Iowa

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