



# ENRICH IOWA REPORT

## FISCAL YEAR 2017

*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: 597 Iowa libraries** (public and non-public) participated in the Open Access program in FY17.



## ENRICH IOWA FY17 FUNDING

<b>FY17 Appropriation</b>	<b>\$2,477,694</b>
Open Access	\$1,252,897
Interlibrary Loan	\$386,922
Direct State Aid	\$837,875

## 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: 587 Iowa libraries** (public and non-public) participated in the Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement program in FY17.

## NUMBER OF ITEMS BORROWED IN FY17

**Open Access**  
**3,560,518**

**Interlibrary Loan**  
**288,488**



**STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA**

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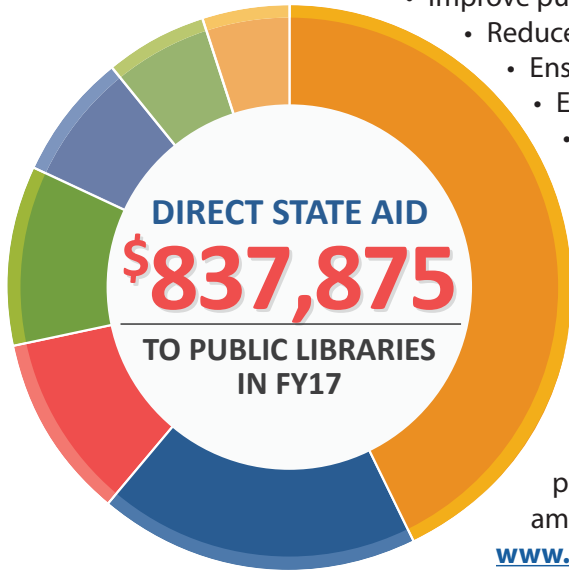
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# DIRECT STATE AID

**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 2007, Direct State Aid funding has helped lead to a **6 percent increase** in the number of accredited libraries in Iowa. In FY17, **486 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	\$837,875
Materials & Supplies	\$359,345
Technology & Equipment	\$153,081
Programs	\$89,466
Personnel	\$84,978
Other	\$59,840
Capital Improvements	\$50,581
Furniture	\$39,951

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.

**TIER 3**  
Highest Funding Level  
349 Public Libraries\*

**TIER 2**  
Middle Funding Level  
105 Public Libraries\*

**TIER 1**  
Lowest Funding Level  
32 Public Libraries\*

\*In FY17, out of 544 public libraries in Iowa; 58 public libraries were not eligible for Direct State Aid funding.

## UPDATED PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS

The sixth edition of *In Service to Iowa: Public Library Standards* took effect July 1, 2017. In 2015, the Iowa Commission of Libraries appointed a task force to revise and update the standards. The State Library Advisory Panel gave feedback to ensure that proposed standards meet the changing needs of Iowa's public libraries.



*In Service to Iowa: Public Library Standards* is the manual for the State Library of Iowa's standards program and encourages the ongoing development of high quality public library services in Iowa. The voluntary public library standards program was established to give public libraries a tool to identify strengths and areas for improvement. It is also used to document the condition of public library service in Iowa, to distribute Direct State Aid funding as part of the Enrich Iowa program, and to meet statutory requirements.

Download the updated standards at [www.StateLibraryofIowa.org](http://www.StateLibraryofIowa.org) and click on "Public Library Standards" on the homepage.