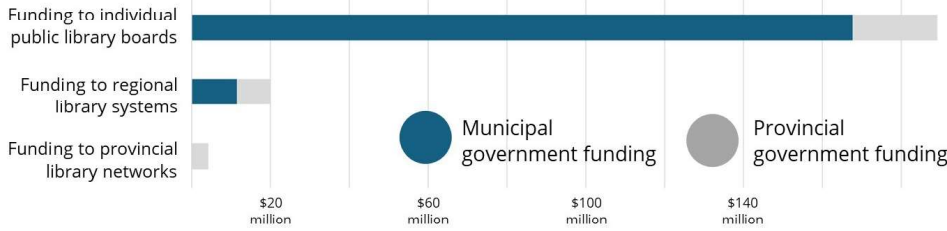


Advocating FOR YOUR Library



DID YOU KNOW...

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR ALBERTA'S PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM, 2022



Libraries are a key support in the Canadian book and ebook market, and they are strong supporters of Canadian and Albertan voices in those fields. They support the accessibility market by buying large-print books and audiobooks to meet the needs of their users.

Every month, 204,000 Canadians get job-seeking help at their public library (1).

69% of people surveyed say their local libraries contribute "a lot" to providing a safe place for people to spend time (2).

Seventy percent of rural libraries were the only free Internet providers in their entire communities (3).

Summer reading programs improve reading ability and academic achievement for students and help them maintain their reading skills over the summer (4)(5).

40% of respondents felt the library was a place where newcomers could feel connected to the community, meet people and make new friends.

Questions FOR YOUR Candidates

IF ELECTED, HOW DO YOU PLAN TO BALANCE THE NEEDS OF THE LIBRARY WITH OTHER MUNICIPAL FUNDING OBLIGATIONS?

WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE THE LIBRARY BRINGS TO OUR COMMUNITIES? and, HOW WILL YOU HELP THE LIBRARY ACHIEVE THAT ROLE IF YOU ARE ELECTED?

LIBRARIES ARE A KEY SUPPORT FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S SENIORS/STUDENTS /NEWCOMERS. IF ELECTED, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO WORK WITH THE LIBRARY TO HELP THEM SUPPORT THESE GROUPS?

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPOINTING TRUSTEES TO THE LIBRARY BOARD. IF ELECTED, HOW WILL YOU ENSURE THAT THE RIGHT PEOPLE ARE APPOINTED?

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