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V. Public Library System Income

4. Federal Aid – Name Program and, if LSCA I or III, show project number

2016/2017 LSTA/Grants

Technology Grant	16-165	\$ 17,354.16
Cyber Sneakers Grant	16-211	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>
Total for 2016/2017 LSTA Grants		\$ 20,354.16

5. Contract Income from other governmental units, library agencies, library systems, etc.

V-Cat Project

Abbotsford Public Library***	\$ 6,197.42
Antigo Public Library	\$ 10,411.06
Colby Public Library	\$ 5,499.87
Crandon Public Library	\$ 3,162.88
Dorchester Public Library	\$ 2,411.33
Gilman Public Library	\$ 2,461.82
Granton Community Library	\$ 2,695.48
Greenwood Public Library	\$ 2,245.23
Laona Public Library (Paid by School District)	\$ 2,054.02
Loyal Public Library	\$ 3,015.49
Marathon County Public Library (Wausau)	\$ 65,895.44
Medford Public Library	\$ 9,839.54
T.B. Scott Library (Merrill)	\$ 16,481.39
Minocqua Public Library	\$ 10,703.43
Neillsville Public Library	\$ 4,371.50
Owen Public Library	\$ 3,221.65
Rhineland District Library	\$ 16,111.45
Rib Lake Public Library	\$ 3,095.25
Stetsonville Public Library	\$ 1,764.08
Thorp Public Library	\$ 3,843.10
Three Lakes Public Library	\$ 4,414.23
Tomahawk Public Library	\$ 8,457.33
Westboro Public Library	\$ 1,263.66
Withee Public Library	\$ 1,628.56
Total for 2017 V-Cat Annual Maintenance Fee	\$191,245.21***

(***Note: Abbotsford Public Library sent a check dated 12/28/16 and it was not received by WVLS until 2017 so there are payments for 2016 and 2017 V-Cat Maintenance in the 2017 calendar year. Also, the Laona School District pays the Laona Public Library V-Cat maintenance to WVLS. The total for V-Cat Maintenance for 2017 is \$189,191.19.)

2016-2017 Receipts from Member Libraries

JAN-DEC	Maintenance Fee	V-CAT Licenses & Supplies		Technology Support		Delivery		Movie Licensing		WPLC Buying Pool		Misc.	TOTAL
		2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016		
Abbotsford	\$3,085.02	\$184.65	\$222.50							\$374.95			
	\$3,112.40			\$2,539.00				\$191.00		\$417.24			
Antigo													
	\$10,411.06		\$2,720.00		\$441.44	\$936.17		\$364.00		\$3,080.00		\$441.44	\$26,077.67
Colby													
	\$5,499.87	\$49.31	\$223.32	\$2,437.00				\$191.00		\$888.76		\$49.31	\$9,289.26
Crandon													
	\$3,162.88	\$21.60	\$201.66	\$2,420.00	\$441.44	\$465.94		\$191.00		\$880.50		\$463.04	\$7,785.02
Dorchester													
	\$2,411.33		\$163.32	\$2,386.00						\$248.53		\$0.00	\$5,209.18
Gilman													
	\$2,461.82		\$166.31	\$4,355.79						\$380.98		\$0.00	\$7,364.90
Granton													
	\$2,695.48		\$521.66	\$1,152.00						\$179.60		\$0.00	\$4,548.74
Greenwood													
	\$2,245.23		\$120.00	\$2,386.00				\$191.00		\$542.70		\$0.00	\$5,484.93
Laona													
			\$120.00	\$4,028.34						\$235.60		\$0.00	\$4,383.94
Loyal													
	\$3,015.49		\$212.63	\$2,403.00						\$356.08		\$0.00	\$5,987.20
Medford													
	\$9,839.54		\$733.27	\$1,594.00				\$244.00		\$2,283.36		\$0.00	\$14,694.17
Merrill													
	\$16,481.39		\$1,397.01	\$4,798.00				\$364.00		\$3,939.60		\$0.00	\$26,980.00
Minocqua													
	\$10,703.43	\$108.00	\$1,342.30	\$4,594.00		\$1,814.76		\$244.00		\$2,842.42		\$108.00	\$21,648.91
Neillsville													
	\$4,371.50		\$415.45	\$2,624.00						\$936.16		\$0.00	\$8,347.11
Owen													
	\$3,221.65	\$21.60	\$414.82	\$2,495.00						\$467.44		\$21.60	\$6,620.51
Rhineland													
	\$16,111.45		\$1,650.53	\$6,353.34	\$441.44	\$465.94		\$253.66		\$4,948.07		\$441.44	\$30,224.43

2016-2017 Receipts from Member Libraries

Rib Lake	\$3,095.25	\$141.66	\$2,454.00							\$191.00	\$317.15		\$0.00	\$6,199.06	Rib Lake
Stetsonville	\$1,764.08	\$180.00	\$2,437.00							\$191.00	\$215.75		\$0.00	\$4,787.83	Stetsonville
Thorp	\$3,843.10	\$181.63	\$5,197.04							\$191.00	\$548.90		\$0.00	\$9,961.67	Thorp
Three Lakes	\$4,414.23	\$504.93	\$3,308.00						\$936.17	\$191.00	\$522.97		\$0.00	\$9,877.30	Three Lakes
Tomahawk	\$8,457.33	\$1,060.97	\$2,905.43							\$244.00	\$1,648.76		\$0.00	\$14,316.49	Tomahawk
Wabeno											\$132.94		\$122.60	\$255.54	Wabeno
Wausau	\$65,895.44	\$3,613.20	\$7,500.00						\$14,978.74		\$24,250.09	\$1,758.40	\$0.00	\$117,995.87	Wausau
Westboro	\$1,263.66	\$120.00	\$3,106.00							\$191.00	\$80.26		\$0.00	\$4,760.92	Westboro
Withee	\$1,628.56	\$231.66	\$3,089.00								\$204.86		\$0.00	\$5,154.08	Withee
TOTAL	\$189,191.19	\$385.16	\$84,686.94	\$0.00	\$1,324.32	\$19,597.72	\$497.55	\$50,543.72	\$1,758.40	\$3,432.66	\$368,081.49	\$368,081.49			

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VI. WVLS Expenditures

4. System Contract Expenditures

(Following is a brief description of contracts, i.e. recipient, amount and purpose)

WVLS State Aide - \$149,551

Courier Services

- Waltco, Inc. provided in-system courier service with sorting. Total: \$132,834
- South Central Library System provided courier service for WVLS to libraries outside the WVLS area. Total: \$13,214

Other Related State Aide

- DOA for the provision of and maintenance on T1 Lines for system public libraries participating in the WVLS Network. Total: \$1,200

Audit

- WVLS contracted with Krause, Howard & Co. to audit WVLS's financial activities. Total: \$2,303.

ALL OTHER - \$192,774

V-Cat Project (Member Libraries Contract with WVLS) – Total: \$82,546

- Innovative Interfaces (New ILS in 2013) - WVLS administers the Sierra automated system through Innovative Interfaces, and is responsible for troubleshooting Sierra software/hardware problems at the central site (WVLS) and at member libraries; training member libraries in the use of the Sierra system; cataloging library materials; and maintaining records of all V-Cat financial activities. Total: \$42,296
- WILS - Replenish OCLC Deposit Account. Total: \$27,000
- EBSCO (Discovery Services. Total: \$13,250

Network Contract Expenditures – Total: \$69,557

- DOA for the provision of and maintenance on T1 Lines for system public libraries participating in the WVLS Network. Total: \$25,200
- UW Madison WiscNet Internet Access and Email Support. Total: \$31,157
- Innovative Interfaces Inc. - \$8,200
- NTC – WCAN Network. Total: \$5,000

Miscellaneous Service Contracts – Total: \$40,671

- Waltco, Inc. provided in-system courier service. Total: \$20,596
- Innovative Interfaces Inc. - \$14,478
- WVLS contracted with Krause, Howard & Co. to audit WVLS's financial activities. Total: \$5,597.

2017 PAYMENTS TO MEMBER PUBLIC LIBRARIES FROM WVLS

	LSTA Grant Income	Contract Income	State Aid			All Other Income		
		MCPL/WVLS Contract	SLP Performers	Misc. Reimburse ments	Meeting or Workshop Contingencies	Meeting or Workshop Contingencies	E-Commerce	TOTAL
Abbotsford Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 70.45	\$ 310.45
Antigo Public Library	\$ 300.00		\$ 240.00				\$ 515.43	\$ 1,055.43
Colby Public Library			\$ 240.00	\$ 4,500.00			\$ 80.15	\$ 4,820.15
Crandon Public Library	\$ 300.00		\$ 240.00				\$ 45.00	\$ 585.00
Dorchester Public Library							\$ 13.50	\$ 13.50
Edith Evans Comm Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 10.70	\$ 250.70
Edward U Demmer Mem	\$ 300.00		\$ 240.00				\$ 124.29	\$ 664.29
Frances Simek Mem			\$ 240.00				\$ 213.35	\$ 453.35
Granton Community Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 52.65	\$ 292.65
Greenwood Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 16.00	\$ 256.00
Jean M Thomsen Mem			\$ 240.00				\$ 13.91	\$ 253.91
Loyal Public Library	\$ 300.00		\$ 175.00				\$ 34.71	\$ 509.71
MCPL		\$ 42,576.54 \$ 20,000.00	\$ 2,160.00				\$ 15,931.29	\$ 60,667.83 \$ 20,000.00
Minocqua Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 689.16	\$ 929.16
Neillsville Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 78.50	\$ 318.50
Owen Public Library			\$ -				\$ 51.60	\$ 51.60
Rhineland District Library			\$ 240.00	\$ 5,667.13	\$ 100.00		\$ 820.70	\$ 6,827.83

2017 PAYMENTS TO MEMBER PUBLIC LIBRARIES FROM WVLS									
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		MCPL/WVLS Contract	SLP Performers	Misc. Reimburse ments	Meeting or Workshop Contingencies	Meeting or Workshop Contingencies	E-Commerce	TOTAL	
Rib Lake Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 73.19	\$ 313.19	
T.B. Scott Library	\$ 300.00		\$ 240.00		\$ 9.77		\$ 686.17	\$ 1,235.94	
Thorp Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 48.65	\$ 288.65	
Tomahawk Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 322.90	\$ 562.90	
Wabeno Public Library			\$ 240.00					\$ 240.00	
Westboro Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 20.85	\$ 260.85	
Western Taylor County			\$ -				\$ 60.95	\$ 60.95	
Withee Public Library			\$ 240.00				\$ 8.70	\$ 248.70	
TOTAL	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 62,576.54	\$ 7,135.00	\$ 10,167.13	\$ 100.00	\$ 9.77	\$ 19,982.80	\$ 101,471.24	
<u>LSTA GRANT INCOME (green) - report as Revenue under Section V, #4 Federal Funds</u>									
<u>OTHER INCOME (blue) - report as Revenue under Section V, #7 Other Income</u>									
<u>CONTRACT INCOME (red) - report as Revenue under Section V, #5 Contract Income</u>									
<u>STATE AIDE INCOME (black) - report as Revenue under Section V, #3a Contract Income</u>									

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Section VIII. Library System Evaluation and Certification of Compliance

System

Wisconsin Valley Library Service

Resource Library Agreement

Other agreements

Reference Referral and Interlibrary Loan

Other reference referral and interlibrary loan services

Please refer to pages 1-4 in the attached 2017 WVLS Staff Report for additional activities related to this statutory requirement.

Comments

Inservice Training

Other inservice training or professional consultant services

Please refer to pages 4-10 in the attached 2017 WVLS Staff Report for additional activities related to this statutory requirement.

Comments

Delivery and Communication

Other delivery and communication services

Please refer to page 10 in the attached 2017 WVLS Staff Report for additional activities related to this statutory requirement.

Comments

Service Agreements

Other service agreements

An updated agreement with the Winnefox Library System was submitted to DLT in early 2017.

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Services to Users with Special Needs

Summary of significant specific services or initiatives in special needs

Please refer to pages 20-22 in the attached WVLS Staff Report for a summary of Inclusive Services activities.

Agency(ies) with which the system had the most contact

Please refer to pages 20-22 in the attached WVLS Staff Report for a summary of Inclusive Services activities.

Continuing education about special needs *Topics and speakers*

Digital Citizenship and Cyber Security for Teens and Tweens grant and training begun with a 2016 LSTA Grant was in partnership with NWLS. Activities and projects associated with this "youth at risk" grant and hosted by libraries in both systems, carried over into 2017. The annual December WVLS Youth Services Workshop featured presentation and discussion by DPI Public Library Youth and Inclusive Services Consultant Tessa Michaelson Schmidt on the new DLT inclusive services statement.

Comments

Other Types of Libraries

Other system services to other types of libraries

Other Comments

Please refer to pages 22-23 in the attached 2017 WVLS Staff Report for additional activities related to this statutory requirement.

Other Service Programs

Other service programs List and evaluate

Please refer to pages 11-20 in the attached 2017 WVLS Staff Report for activities in the areas of Collection Development, Advocacy and Awareness and Youth Services.

COUNTY APPROPRIATIONS

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	Funding for In-County Public Libraries			Funding to Public Libraries in Other In-System Counties			Funding to Public Libraries in Non-System Counties			Funding Directly to WVLS			TOTAL
	2017	2018		2017	2018		2017	2018		2017	2018		
Clark	\$ 369,836	\$ 400,828	\$	3,561	\$ 3,120	\$	58,751	\$ 67,352	\$	3,888	\$ 3,888	\$	911,224
Forest	\$ 87,259	\$ 81,002	\$	9,031	\$ 9,722	\$	4,923	\$ 7,979	\$	1,381	\$ 1,381	\$	202,678
Langlade	\$ 306,690	\$ 306,690	\$	9,453	\$ 12,556	\$	-	\$ -	\$	2,737	\$ 2,737	\$	640,863
Lincoln	\$ 623,984	\$ 616,568	\$	16,236	\$ 18,078	\$	-	\$ -	\$	4,177	\$ 4,177	\$	1,283,220
Marathon	\$ 3,969,468	\$ 3,928,383	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	18,727	\$ 18,727	\$	7,935,305
Oneida	\$ 361,799	\$ 372,013	\$	41,047	\$ 40,839	\$	7,685	\$ 9,507	\$	7,807	\$ 7,807	\$	848,504
Taylor	\$ 316,418	\$ 316,318	\$	18,819	\$ 22,678	\$	10,666	\$ 9,298	\$	2,468	\$ 2,468	\$	699,133
TOTAL	\$ 6,035,454	\$ 6,021,802	\$	98,147	\$ 106,993	\$	82,025	\$ 94,136	\$	41,185	\$ 41,185	\$	12,520,927
													\$ 12,520,927

Note: For Langlade County in 2017 under Funding to Public Libraries in Other In-System Counties, their budget was \$11,117. It was changed to \$9,453. See note in Langlade County for 2017.

Section IX: 2017 Collaborative Activities

Facet – LEAN WI Technology Services Partnership

WVLS collaborates directly with IFLS in a technology services partnership called LEAN WI. During 2017, much of the collaboration between the partnering systems and our public library members occurred in the traditional sense, between the individual Library System and its respective membership. There was another significant increase in the amount of intra-partnership collaboration, exchange of services, deduplication of efforts, and finalizing the production status of our shared infrastructure.

During 2017, LEAN WI partners were jointly collaborating on our large collection of Makerspace equipment and other creative technologies with our collective membership (78 public libraries, 89 locations with branches, across seventeen counties). This element of service within our partnership is currently the most involved service directly facing our public library members. It has been separated as an element of collaboration under the LEAN WI partnership facet.

For the 2017 Annual Report, there were no major changes to predicted collaborations from the 2017 System Plan. The services estimates were based as closely as possible on collaborators individually procuring similar levels of services, provided at reasonable cost.

The combined human resources and service platform costs for LEAN WI services is estimated to have been approximately \$400,000. The combined estimated replacement value of this service platform for public library collaborators was over \$13.4 million. The combined estimated replacement value of this service platform for other public library system collaborators was approximately \$20,600. The total net cost value was approximately \$13.1 million. We do not have a more meaningful way of breaking out the partners' individual collaborative benefits during 2017 than to note anecdotally that the total service platform for collaboration in 2017 was approximately 10% greater than observed for 2016.

Cost Benefit Element(s)

Activity: Technology Services (LEAN WI Partnership {IFLS, WVLS} and Library Members)

Amount: \$14,620,100.

Activity: Makerspace Kits Shared Lending Pool (LEAN WI Partnership {IFLS, WVLS} and Library Members)

Amount: \$759,000.

Please note, here is a summary table reflecting broad cost benefit categories and replacement context. This is for library system staff (technology directors and directors) to be able to better visualize the broad categories and values as well as their gross and net replacement values.

	Human Resources	Application Services	Totals
LEAN WI Est. Cost Benefits	\$ 315,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 400,000
Tech Services - Libraries	\$ 12,328,440	\$ 1,112,000	\$ 13,440,440
Tech Services – Other Systems	\$ 10,660	\$ 10,000	\$ 20,660
Makerspace Kits and Equipment - Libraries	\$ 399,000	\$ 360,000	\$ 759,000
Est. Replacement Value - Total	\$ 13,053,100	\$ 1,567,000	\$ 14,620,100

Facet – Advanced Networking

The WCAN membership benefits by sharing the annual maintenance costs of equipment, fiber plant, and human resources in a distributed manner. Several of the WCAN members have much greater data transport needs, would experience much higher costs annually to meet their core needs, would be significantly stifled in their abilities to grow data-dependent network and application services, and would be further limited in achieving efficiencies of cost savings realized through the sharing of applications and other services over a shared network infrastructure. We may further study the overall cost-benefit of the WCAN across its membership to be able to report an accurate value, but anecdotally, it is likely between 2 to 3 orders of magnitude greater than our individual cost benefit estimate.

WVLS is a member of the Wausau Community Area Network (WCAN) allowing us to dedicate a 1,000 Mbps circuit to Internet access for the aggregate of member libraries utilizing BadgerNet/WAN services on the WVLS network, and allowing us to connect that network - in an effective and cost-efficient manner - to the LEAN WI data center. An equivalent circuit is estimated to have a base cost of approximately \$1500 per month. Assuming E-Rate discounts, the estimated annual cost for leasing and maintaining such a circuit would have been approximately \$9,000. The cost of membership and maintenance for the WCAN is \$5,000 annually, meaning a direct cost benefit to WVLS was approximately \$4,000 in 2017.

The BadgerNet Converged Network is a service contracted under the Wisconsin Dept. of Administration (DOA) with significant operations and funding program management efforts performed by the DOA's Technology for Educational Achievement (TEACH) program on behalf of schools and libraries. Additionally, the Wisconsin Dept. of Public Instruction's Division for Libraries and Technology put in significant effort, coordinating with DOA, TEACH, and Library Systems to ensure this massive statewide collaborative effort runs as smoothly and efficiently as possible. This is an annually recurring element of collaboration effecting a direct individual cost benefit to library systems and libraries, and enables further collaborative value between library systems and member libraries. This is an element of the Advanced Networking facet we will be studying further with our LEAN WI partner to better estimate direct and total collaborative value of the BadgerNet partnership with DOA, TEACH, and DPI. It is estimated that an equivalent replacement service (assuming E-Rate discounts and ideal circumstances for all aspects of service) would have caused a minimum net cost increase of approximately \$4,000 for the head-end circuit and approximately \$3,000 per BCN member site on average. This results in an estimated direct net cost benefit of approximately \$67,000 for WVLS and our member libraries.

WVLS is a member and partner of the private, non-profit research and educational network services provider, WiscNet. WVLS pays a \$1,500 membership fee annually to participate in a variety of valuable peer information sharing opportunities and to leverage various technology services. As a member, WVLS is eligible for network services, which includes Internet transiting services with no upper limits to throughput. The cost of WiscNet network services is \$9,960 per year. Comparatively, Gigabit transit services through a sampling of providers listed under former State Contract 505ENT-O13-BADGERNET-00 trend toward \$48,000 per year (with nominal discounts offered for multi-year contracts). We reference the former contract for comparison as it was in effect during the budgeting season and most of the operational season for 2017. WVLS member libraries do not apply for E-rate on transit services due to the CIPA requirements in the E-rate program required for such eligibility.

WVLS and its respective members (when considered as a consortium) experience a direct cost benefit of approximately \$36,500. This is another element of the Advanced Networking facet we will be studying further with our LEAN WI partner to better estimate direct and total collaborative value of the WiscNet partnership.

Cost Benefit Element(s)

Activity: Wausau Community Area Network (WVLS, City County IT Commission, Northcentral Technical College, Marathon County, City of Wausau, other members)

Amount: \$4,000.

Activity: BadgerNet Converged Network (DOA-DET/TEACH, DPI, Library Members)

Amount: \$67,000.

Activity: WiscNet Partnership

Amount: \$36,540.

WPLC Collaboration

The Wisconsin Public Library Consortium's most significant collaborative project is the pooling of system and public library funds to support the Wisconsin Digital Library. Participating systems fund the WPLC buying pool platform at approximately \$18,000, a cost that would be assessed to WVLS if we were to have our own platform. As it was WVLS cost for the platform was \$4,298 in 2017. Additionally, participation in this collaboration allows member libraries and their patrons access to the entire multi-million dollar collection currently in the digital library, and an additional \$1,150,000 in 2017. Subtracting WVLS fees (\$4,298 partner fee plus \$7,582 system/public library portion of the additional \$150,000 in content) and member library portion of the digital content pool (\$50,549), the benefit of WPLC membership in the digital library was no less than \$1,105,571. Also WVLS funded an OverDrive Advantage collection at \$10,000 in 2017.

Databases / Professional Materials

Were each member library to purchase the databases, journals and professional resources WVLS annually makes available to all member library staff and trustees, the approximate average cost to each library would be \$10,000, or \$250,000 total. Also, if each library were to have their own database and journal subscriptions, approximately one hour/week (\$25) would be spent on development of training materials, educating staff and patrons, evaluating products, vendor negotiations, and product development. $\$25 \times 52 \text{ (weeks)} \times 25 \text{ (libraries)} = \$32,500$.

V-Cat / ILS Administration

Were each member public library to have a stand-alone system, the total cost calculation assumes a minimum of 6 hours/week on product enhancements, performing upgrades, communications with vendor/s, monitoring listservs, running reports, database cleanup and attending training/conferences. At \$50/hour minimally (wages plus benefits), the benefit of system ILS administration is approximately \$390,900. In 2017 member libraries paid WVLS \$62,500 to administer the ILS. Additionally, each library's contract with current ILS vendor, including all modules and features used currently, cataloging utility and discovery subscription could be averaged at approximately \$15,000 per member with a cumulative benefit of \$375,000. In 2017, the cost to libraries for these contracts was \$81,146.

Continuing Education

WVLS partnered with several systems (NFLS, IFLS, Winnefox, etc.) to bring quality webinars and workshops to WVLS colleagues. This collaboration minimally saved \$5,200 in staff time – two to three hours/week for workshop arrangements and drafting communications/promotional materials.

Also, these collaborative efforts provided nationally-renowned speakers at a cost-effective amount for all participating systems. Estimating a \$1,000 savings for each speaker for which WVLS collaborated with other systems provided a \$38,000 savings in speaker costs. (\$42,000 - \$4,000 WVLS Expense).

All WVLS workshops/webinars/trainings were offered free of charge. If one staff member from each public library would have attended each of the CE opportunities offered by WVLS in 2017 at \$25 each, a library would have spent approximately \$1,050. Thus, the savings to all libraries was approximately \$26,250.

Courier

If each library were responsible for purchasing its own courier tubs, bags, routing envelopes, their cost would be approximately \$2,000/year averaged across the smallest to the largest libraries. $\$2,000 \times 25 = \$50,000$ in savings for member libraries.

WVLS oversight of courier services (statistics, vendor communications and negotiations, financial reporting) provides a 1 hour savings in staff time for each library each week. At \$25/week/library, the benefit is \$32,500.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten App

A partnership with the Bridges Library Systems provides an app to patrons of WVLS libraries that have implemented “1,000 Books Before Kindergarten” programs. The app provides a convenient method for patrons to track material read as they participate in the program, and offers options for viewing and reporting results. If WVLS were to develop an app similar to the app developed by BLS, approximately \$5,000 in staff time would be devoted to development and ongoing support.

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XII. System Membership - Plan of Library Service

(Note: The date following the county name indicates the year of the county's most recent county plan revision... most counties review their plans every 3-5 years.)

CLARK COUNTY – 2005

- Abbotsford Public Library
- Colby Public Library
- Dorchester Public Library
- Samson Memorial Library, Granton
- Greenwood Public Library
- Loyal Public Library
- Neillsville Public Library
- Owen Public Library
- Thorp Public Library
- Withee Public Library

FOREST COUNTY – 2016-2020

- Crandon Public Library
- Edith Evans Community Library, Laona
- Wabeno Public Library

LANGLADE COUNTY – 2017-2026

- Antigo Public Library

LINCOLN COUNTY – 1999

- T.B. Scott Free Library, Merrill
- Tomahawk Public Library

MARATHON COUNTY – 2005

- Marathon County Public Library

ONEIDA COUNTY – 2015-2019

- Minocqua Public Library
- Rhinelander District Library
- E.U. Demmer Memorial Public Library, Three Lakes

TAYLOR COUNTY – 2012

- Western Taylor County Public Library, Gilman
- Frances L. Simek Memorial Library, Medford
- Rib Lake Public Library
- Jean M. Thomsen Memorial Library, Stetsonville
- Westboro Public Library