

# 2017-2018 Impact of State Grants to Libraries

\$2,500,000 was distributed to 316 public, school, academic, and institutional libraries. Grantees received a minimum of \$3,500 each.

# 88%

purchased books

# 71

libraries more than doubled their collections budgets with grant-funds

# 58%

purchased electronic educational resources

**Students love coming to library!** In years past, some students would walk away with no books to check out, and now every student finds something to interest them every time.

*Silverton 1*

We created 8 **early literacy kits** for young people to check out, 6 of those checked out the first day.

*Yuma Public Library*

The state grant allows the children's section of the **library to shine** and helps attract checkouts so that books are in the homes of children in the community.

*Estes Valley Library District*

**This grant has allowed our district to demonstrate that a library is not a room full of dusty old novels, but is innovative and creative; current with student interests and a place to learn and explore.**

The materials purchased **impacted 80% of our total student population.** We targeted makerspace materials, print, and manipulatives to impact critical thinking skills. This grant was a huge success district-wide.

*Thompson R2-J*

This grant allows the library to **support children's literature classes.** We also have a lot of students with young children, this grant allows us to provide current materials for them to check out.

*University of Colorado – Colorado Springs*

Our mill levy income decreases each year due to lack of new property tax assessments. This fund is absolutely essential for us to **provide new materials** for our patrons.

*Northern Saguache County Library District*

Our collections budget without the state grant would not meet the needs of all of our readers. The grant enables us to **build a more diverse collection.**

*West Custer County Library District*

The State Grant has continued to help us **update our current collection** in a way that our school district would not have been able to do.

*La Veta RE-2*

**Strasburg 31J**

There was a **75% increase** in books checked out the year of 2017-2018.

*Sangre de Cristo RE-22J*

The State Grant has a huge impact on **purchasing e-materials.** We achieved a growth of 12% since 2016 and the funds continue to provide assistance for the increase in e-material circulations.

*Pikes Peak Library District*

The State Grants to Libraries were essential or important for:

# 95%

Updating the library's collection

# 93%

Purchasing materials to fill unmet needs

# 84%

Increasing materials circulation