

Federation Annual Report FY 2014 July 2013 Through June 2014

SIGNATURES

Federation Sagebrush

Coordinator's Miles City Public Library
Library

Coordinator Sonja Woods

Signature _____ Date _____

Chairperson Betty Berger
- Board of
Trustees

Signature _____ Date _____

The Coal Severance Tax (CST) Revenue Accountability Report System requires the Federation Annual Report. The report relates to the Plan of Service, which was adopted at the beginning of the fiscal year as a planning document.

AWARD/EXPENSE SUMMARY

Total CST Award: \$18,995.30

Total CST Expended: \$18,995.30

EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM

Program 1 - CONTINUING ED, TRAINING AND TRAVEL	\$3,125.01
Program 2 - TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE SHARING	\$13,614.15
Program 3 - COMMUNICATION/PR AND CONSULTATION	\$1,356.14
Program 4 - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	\$900.00
Total:	\$18,995.30

EXPENDITURES BY LIBRARY

Library	Status	Total Award	Award Expenses	Local Expenses

Ekalaka Public Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$272.07
Fallon County Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$1,919.50
Garfield County Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$88.82
George McCone Memorial County Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$0.00
Glendive Public Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$225.00
Henry A Malley Memorial Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$0.00
Miles City Public Library	Active	\$6,161.30	\$6,161.30	\$418.58
Prairie County Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$0.00
Sidney-Richland County Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$0.00
Wibaux Public Library	Active	\$1,426.00	\$1,426.00	\$0.00
Totals:		\$18,995.30	\$18,995.30	\$2,923.97

PUBLIC VALUE SUMMARY BY PROGRAM

Program 1 - CONTINUING ED, TRAINING AND TRAVEL

Narrative

Knowledgeable and trained staff and trustees are able to provide quality library services to their communities. Toward this end the following activities will be funded as money allows. (Examples: Montana Library Association (MLA) Conferences/Training, Offline, Montana Shared Catalog (MSC) or other community trainings).

Each member library may choose how much, if any, funding to designate toward training opportunities and travel expenses.

Training by qualified library representatives, individuals or State Library Staff will be provided at each Sagebrush Federation Meeting at no cost to the individual libraries.

Public Value

Networked with other Sagebrush Federation members regarding policies, procedures and training.

All Sagebrush members met for training, brainstorming, and designing their summer reading program.

Supply cost for Federation.

Round trip from Jordan to Miles City for a Sagebrush Federation meeting.

Staff attended training on becoming joining the Partners group

to enhance sharing among libraries.

Attending conference when within reasonable traveling distance is an educational and stimulating experience for the Library Director

Networking and benefits for Federation Trustees and Directors to get together for training and meeting.

Travel Expense for Federation.

Supplies for Spring Federation Meeting.

Training always benefits us as well as our patrons and other libraries.

To be able to add credits for my Library Director certification.

Program 2 - TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE SHARING

Narrative

Monies received in this category will be expended toward technology-related resources that strengthen Federation-wide access: OCLC, Shared Catalog Expenses, software, hardware, virtual reference, online databases, portable reading/audio devices, etc.

Un-expended monies may be redirected toward technology (training, online database purchases such as MontanaLibrary2Go, professional development opportunities, or book discussion kits) or postage/shipping costs to cover resource/materials sharing.

The Federation will cover the cost for the Annual Subscription from Movie Licensing USA for all ten participating libraries. This purchase allows the license to be affordable for all libraries and to be in compliance with publicly showing films to patrons.

Each member library may choose how much, if any, funding to designate toward technology and resource sharing opportunities.

Public Value

Further the sharing of Fallon County history by using the Montana Memory Project and its associated links for the digitization and preservation of Fallon County history.

For maintaining the Garfield County Free Library's OCLC Membership.

Allows the library to participate in OCLC and WorldShare services including copy cataloging and Inter-library Loan.

Licensing allows all Federation libraries to show movies legally to the public.

New equipment for the Garfield County Library to join the Montana Shared Catalog (MSC).

Assists Garfield County Library in joining the Montana Shared Catalog in the near future.

Labels for library books.

More Sagebrush members are able to join Partners and open themselves up for sharing and lending between libraries. Virus/Malware training empowers small town libraries to effectively maintain their own PC systems without paying for third party technology services.

Enables patrons to access a whole new world of resources. Lets our library share its materials with other libraries. Totally amazed

at the number of items in our library that other patrons want to borrow.

Being able to order books for patrons from throughout the United States is such a great thing!

Our patrons, both young and a surprising number of middle age and elderly think its awesome that they can download audio and e-books for free through the Library

The Glendive Public Library has many patrons that make use of the Heritage subscription to research their family tree. Our library could not afford to provide this service on our own. Without Sagebrush Funds, our library would have to discontinue this service that many of our patrons have relied on.

Without funding from the Sagebrush Federation grant, the Glendive Public Library could not participate in resource sharing (interlibrary loan) with other Montana libraries or with other libraries world wide. Our patrons expect a certain standard from Montana libraries. Although many of us are small, we are mighty. Our patrons expect that they can request any kind of subject material in any format. Without resource sharing, the library could not offer the great quality and quantity of materials that our patrons need.

To upgrade to a Windows 7 program, since our computers had the XP programming. Old Staff computer is out of date. We needed a new computer in preparation of joining MSC.

Being automated helps us in looking up books for patrons and other libraries in a more accurate way. Being able to bring our own laptop to meetings has been very beneficial. Connecting to OCLC for interlibrary loans keeps us in touch with other libraries.

Attending our federation meetings is a must. Hearing ideas and working closely with other librarians and aids keeps new ideas moving all the time. When our budget is tight, having federation money to purchase our Work Flow computer and supplies has been great. We didn't have to wait until our next fiscal year.

Provides access to online resources for patrons as well as sharing of resources among libraries

Program 3 - COMMUNICATION/PR AND CONSULTATION

Narrative

The Federation Coordinator or a representative will attend at least two Coordinator meetings. Two Federation meetings will be held each year.

Federation members will act as mentors to new members. Members continually consult each other for help. If funds are available, members may travel to another member library for training/help/consultation.

Workgroups will be maintained (Plan of Service and Annual Report, Continuing Education, Federation Development and others as needed). Directors and other members are encouraged to participate. Workgroups help the Federation achieve its annual Goals.

Each member library may choose how much, if any, funding to designate toward communication and/or consultation.

Public Value

Attending federation meetings keeps us in touch with what's going on in other libraries. Our trustees help in making all the decisions for our libraries and help with the Plan of Service. It is important that they are able to attend these meetings. Staff attended meeting for networking and sharing of ideas with other libraries.

The library is so much more to our community than just books. The library is present in many of the community events that are held throughout the year. The library uses promotional material to reach new community members that might not be aware of the vast variety of services that libraries provide.

Coordinator Travel to Helena for Library Commission Meeting.

Program 4 - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Narrative

Sagebrush Federation of Libraries will provide to the Miles City Public Library funds to be used as a stipend for the Coordinator to administer and manage the affairs of the Sagebrush Federation. The headquarters library will also receive funds for supplies such as postage, copies and long distance used for Federation business.