



**Iowa Library Services/  
State Library**

# **FY12 Enrich Iowa Report**

**State Funding for Iowa Libraries**

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## LIBRARIES ENRICH IOWA

This report illustrates the significant role Enrich Iowa funding plays in the daily lives of Iowans:

- ⇒ enhancing lifelong learning through libraries;
- ⇒ improving library resources aimed at assisting job seekers;
- ⇒ maintaining library hours to meet customers' needs;
- ⇒ adding more computers and e-books; and
- ⇒ providing safe, accessible library buildings.

*Springville Public Library—“Receiving this funding is very important to our library. We are a small town and struggle to make ends meet and still offer all we can. This money goes to the good of the community and is appreciated by our patrons one and all.”*

This Enrich Iowa report is submitted in accordance with 2012 Iowa Acts, Chapter 1132 Section 5(4)(b)

## THREE COMPONENTS OF ENRICH IOWA

Enrich Iowa comprises **Direct State Aid**, **Open Access** and **Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement**. In FY12, \$1,674,227 in state funding was distributed to Iowa libraries through Enrich Iowa, a reduction of \$571,854 (25%) from FY11.

- ◇ **Direct State Aid** helped 474 Iowa public libraries improve services, and add more books and computers. Direct State Aid funding has led to a 74% increase in the number of accredited Iowa public libraries, from 252 in FY02 to 346 in FY12. Direct State Aid funding in FY12 was \$610,916, down from \$817,900 in FY11.
- ◇ **Open Access** makes it possible for Iowans to go into almost any library in the state and borrow books. The state reimburses the loaning library a small amount of the expense involved. In FY12, Iowans checked out 31% more library materials through Open Access, 4,157,126, than in FY02. State funds supported Open Access with \$802,496 in FY12, down from \$1,073,232 in FY11. 586 Iowa libraries participated in this program in FY12.
- ◇ If a library does not own a book a local customer needs, it can be borrowed from another library through the **Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement (ILR)** program. State funding helps offset the costs involved. Iowans borrowed 189,331 items through **ILR** in FY02 compared to 309,512 in FY12, a 64% increase. **ILR** was funded at \$260,815 in FY12, down from \$354,941 in FY11. 581 Iowa libraries participated in the program in FY12.



## RESOURCE SHARING AMONG IOWA LIBRARIES PUTS MORE LIBRARY MATERIALS IN THE HANDS OF MORE IOWANS.

Last year, Iowans checked out more than 12,400 items every day through Open Access and Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement programs.

Local libraries absorb more than 75% of the costs of the Open Access and Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement programs. Some libraries are concerned about whether they can continue to participate in these programs because the state reimbursement level is so low.



### ENRICH IOWA MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN IOWANS' LIVES

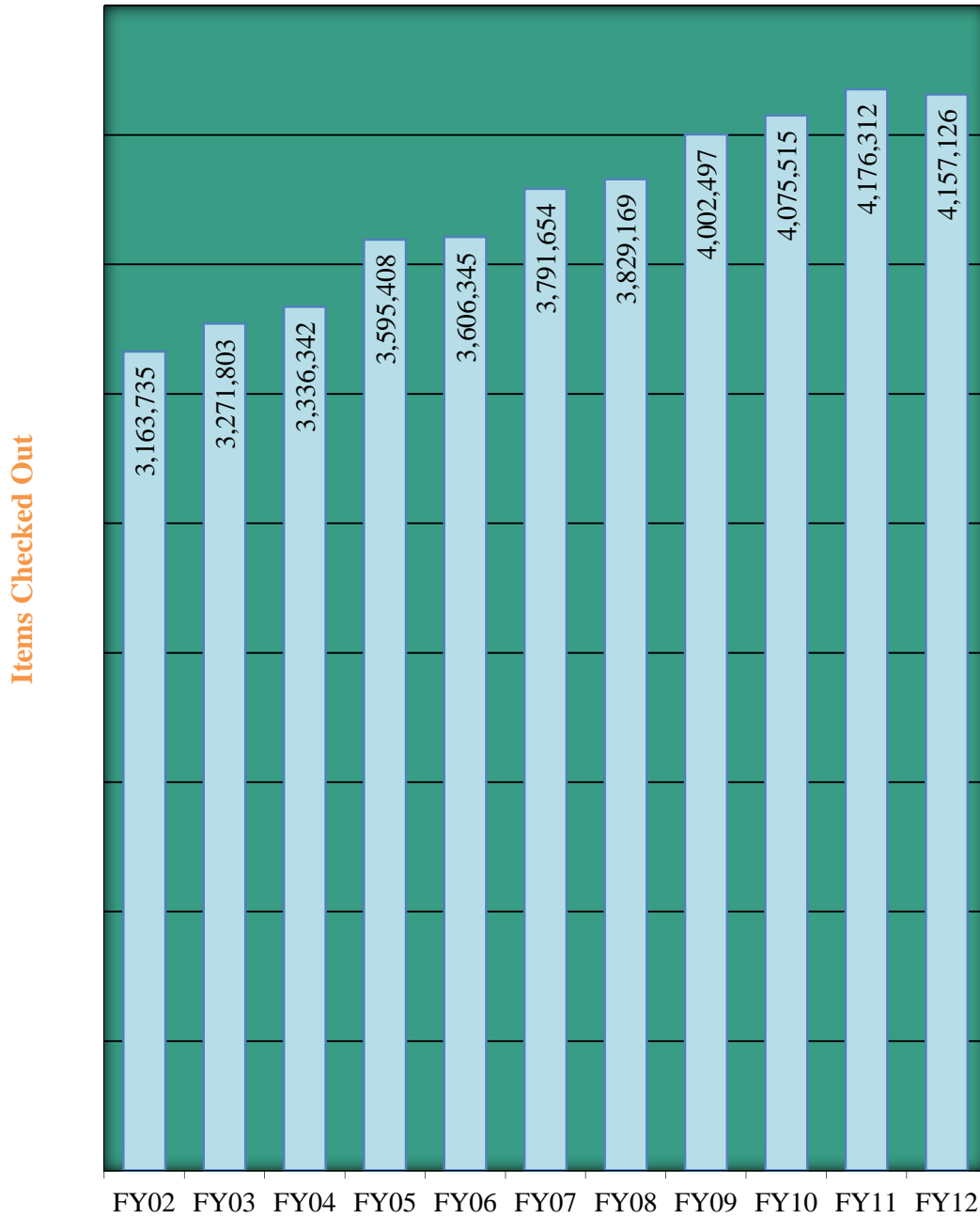
*Alexander Public Library -  
 "Direct State Aid went toward purchasing printed materials for our patrons. Without this funding we would not be able to do our Summer Reading Programs, story hour, or add new books or DVDs to our collection."*

*Stanhope Public Library -  
 "The support and funding we receive from this great state of Iowa is necessary if we wish to continue to cultivate life-long learning and continue to enhance the quality of life for our entire community."*

*Bonaparte Public Library -  
 "We've had three people who have completed their online classes so they were able to obtain their high school diplomas. We've had several more who are taking online college classes, use our computer to file federal forms, and to apply for college. These funds were used in numerous ways to help our customers."*

*Hawkeye Public Library -  
 "Without this funding, we wouldn't be able to keep up our computer support or our on-line card catalog. We have many families who don't have their own computers and rely heavily on ours."*

# Open Access



Established in 1989, Open Access allows Iowa library customers from a participating library to check out library materials at all other participating libraries in the state.

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# Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement



Interlibrary Loan Reimbursement provides Iowa citizens with equal access to library materials through resource sharing among libraries. Libraries borrow materials from participating libraries to fulfill requests of their customers.

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## HOW FUNDS ARE USED

Iowa public libraries report using Direct State Aid funds to support the services library users want most: new books and other library materials, including e-books (42%); up-to-date technology (28%); and staffing to help library users meet their needs (14%) (see pg. 7). Public libraries help get Iowans back to work and support Iowans' educational needs.



**BELLEVUE PUBLIC LIBRARY**—*“We used these funds for a new computer. Direct State Aid is vital to our lives as it enables us to purchase computers or library materials that we would not ordinarily be able to afford. It has a direct and positive impact on our patrons.”*

## DIRECT STATE AID

State aid significantly improves library services for Iowans, and there is no question Iowans use their public libraries. More than two-thirds of all Iowans have active public library cards, an increase of 17.4% in the past 10 years. Library checkouts have gone up 10.2% since FY02. And library visits jumped 32.9% between FY02 and FY12. Last year, on average, there were 54,000 visits to Iowa public libraries every day.

The funding formula for Direct State Aid is composed of three tiers of public library standards developed by the Iowa library community and Iowa Library Services/State Library. Funding levels increase with greater compliance with standards, so the tiers provide incentives for improvements in library service.

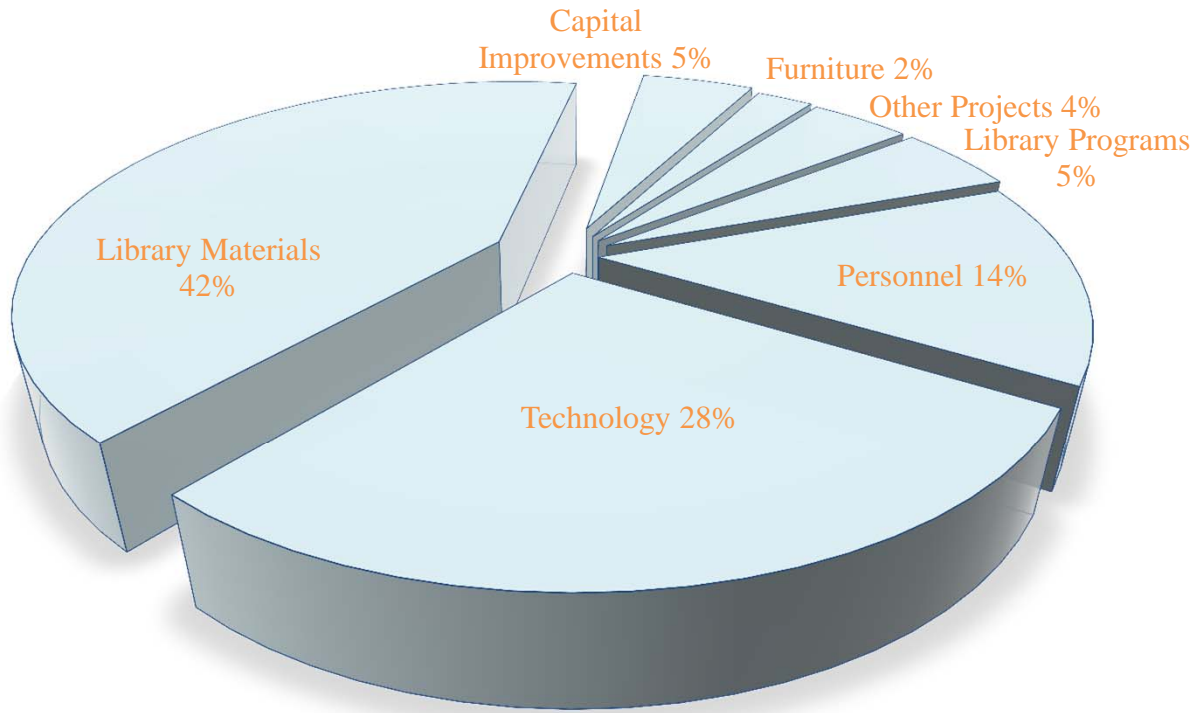
Of Iowa's 544 public libraries, 350 received Tier 3 funding (highest level), 93 received Tier 2 funding, 31 received Tier 1 funding, and 71 were not eligible in FY12.

**BAGLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY**—*“In a town of this size with a limited tax base, this funding is vital to keeping the library open. It is the only place for people to congregate, use a computer, borrow a DVD, get information, or just avail themselves of the resources needed to have a meaningful lifestyle.”*



**SIOUX CENTER PUBLIC LIBRARY**—*“Technology is at the forefront right now and we want to make sure we are too! Thank you for helping us accomplish this.”*

## Utilization of Direct State Aid (\$610,916)



**474 Iowa public libraries received Direct State Aid in FY12**

City	Amount/ or NE (Not Eligible)	Categories	Comments
Ackley	\$ 955.51	Library Materials and Supplies	The entire amount was spent on materials including books, DVD's, Blu-Rays and puzzles. With library budgets low, this was a lifesaver in getting selected items to patrons who otherwise would not have been able to enjoy their favorite authors, and with all our children's programming it really helped to keep the program interesting with new books.
Adair	NE		
Adel	\$ 1,351.21	Technology and Equipment	We used Direct State Aid to purchase two new computers for the public. We have not been updating our computers in our new library so it was time for us to do that. We have been in the new building since 2006 and the computers have been repaired enough. Our patrons will love the new computers.
Agency	\$ 740.73	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the monies to purchase DVDs that then went into a DVD rotation that we currently have with six other libraries. This has allowed us to continue to serve our patrons and assist other libraries to serve theirs.
Akron	\$ 650.82	Library Materials and Supplies	We were able to purchase a CD book lease, barcodes, and an EBSCOhost (information database) subscription. We have a truck firm in our community plus several mail route carriers and others that enjoy the books on CD. Many students and several adults use the library's subscription to EBSCOhost. As the general supply budget does not cover everything that the library needs, part of the cost of the barcodes was used with Direct State Aid funds.
Albert City	\$ 772.93	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Direct State Aid paid for new children's books. Some of the money was spent on Lisa Laird's Pockets Full of Fun Puppets/Ventriloquist for the Summer Reading Program. We also spent part of the money to pay for the Des Moines Blank Park Zoo to come to the library as part of our Summer Reading Program. We also purchased Legos for our Lego Mania Day – another Summer Reading Program activity. The funding produced an outstanding Summer Reading Program. Lisa Laird was fantastic and kept the children mesmerized the whole time. She educated the children about the night sky, darkness, stars and much more. The Blank Park Zoo brought exotic animals to the library for the children to see. We opened up the program to the community for all to have the opportunity to see the animals.
Albia	\$ 935.86	Library Materials and Supplies	We used Direct State Aid to buy audio books, e-books and movies. Being able to supply e-books and audio books



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			has improved our library service. Patrons are using audio books and e-books for travel purposes. Parents are finding that children love to listen to them in the car and this creates a love for reading. This is so important in a time when children seem to use text messaging on a full time basis.
Albion	\$ 506.60	Library Materials and Supplies	This money allowed us to buy new library books, movies, and work supplies.
Alden	\$ 837.67	Library Materials and Supplies	We used Direct State Aid for new books and audio books.
Alexander	\$ 788.79	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid went toward purchasing printed materials for patrons. Without this funding we would not be able to do our Summer Reading Programs, story hour, or add new books and DVDs to our collection for patrons.
Algona	\$ 1,593.62	Technology and Equipment	This money contributed to new public access computers. Our old ones were many years old and were beginning to have issues. They would randomly decide not to connect to the Internet, did not always recognize a patron's flash drive, did not have CD/DVD drives and overall were difficult for the patrons to use and the staff to troubleshoot. The new computers have resolved all of the issues that we had with our old ones. The patrons are much happier with computers that actually work all the time and are more user friendly; the staff is happier when the patrons are happy since they have an easier time troubleshooting any issues there are with the computers.
Allerton	NE		
Allison	\$ 814.38	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for a new DVD collection, adult fiction collection, junior non-fiction collection, and weekly reading parties for young children Allison has NO other movie rental source, so patrons of all ages enjoy borrowing movies from the library. The activities coordinator from our local care center has been borrowing many movies to entertain her residents. We weeded our junior non-fiction materials and used some of the funds to update/freshen that collection for young children. Funds are always needed to host our weekly after-school reading parties where young children enjoy stories, crafts, games, and snacks.
Alta	\$ 923.22	Furniture	We purchased two new chairs with these funds for our adult reading area. We also purchased a wall mounted coat rack for our entry way.
Alta Vista	\$ 747.11	Library Materials and Supplies;	Thanks to Direct State Aid, the library was able to supplement its budget for supplies, especially during our

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		Technology and Equipment; Library Programs; Other	Summer Reading Program. The library has also been able to supplement its budget for technology. We were able to hire a performer, Mike Prestby of Golden Magic Productions, as a kickoff for our Summer Reading Program. Additionally, we are able to provide monthly multiple copies of books for a local book club. The library was able to purchase items not included in the budget, such as a new ethernet cable, because of the funding we received.
Alton	\$ 661.61	Library Materials and Supplies	Books and audio books were bought with this money.
Altoona	\$ 3,039.40	Capital Improvements	We purchased bike racks which meant changing the landscaping and adding a bike rack pad. We repainted the south side hand rails and architectural beams.
Ames	\$ 9,260.50	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies	With Direct State Aid, we were able to purchase board books, bathtub stick-ons, and informational materials that are provided free of charge to parents of newborns in Story County. Outreach on the part of the library through Project Smyles gives daycare children the benefit of story times and exposure to librarians that many of them would otherwise not receive because of a lack of transportation—often because a vehicle is not available, is not large enough, or does not feature enough seat belts. Materials are left on location for later use, essentially providing each facility or daycare home a cost-effective, ever-changing miniature library of its own. Childcare providers and parents also benefit from observing our professionals. Books for Babies packets include a book and other supplies that help parents engage their newborns in the development of language as early as possible. Information inside the packets advises the parents of library services that are available and encourages them to attend free library programs and activities with their children. Parents who feel welcome at the library are inclined to celebrate curiosity and promote the love of discovery.
Anamosa	\$ 1,436.63	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This funding helped us cover the costs of upgrading our computers after our server died last fall. It also helped cover the cost of book processing materials, so that more of our budget could go to providing materials our patrons rely upon. The new computers brought us back up to 8 Internet computers for patrons to use. Due to age and other problems, for several months we were down to only 5 computers. But we are now back up to 8, and our

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			patrons are very pleased to have some newer, faster computers available.
Anita	\$ 827.26	Technology and Equipment	These funds paid for annual Follett support fees. In addition, the library was able to purchase more incentives and prizes to increase interest in this year's Summer Library program.
Ankeny	\$ 7,149.22	Library Materials and Supplies	The Direct State Aid funding allowed our library to purchase more titles for children who are beginning to read. Young children and families looking for titles to help beginning readers has increased dramatically in our library and this funding has allowed us to keep up with the need. We are now able to provide more titles for different reading levels on different topics of interest for children just learning to read to children who are beginning to read chapter books.
Anthon	\$ 470.94	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	These funds were used to purchase nature books to enhance our non-fiction section. The money helped to purchase materials for the Summer Reading Program and a movie license for the library's Saturday Movie at the Library program.
Aplington	\$ 825.99	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid was used for automation enhancements.
Archer	\$ 258.36	Technology and Equipment	We had unexpected computer costs and the money went to help pay for a new monitor.
Arlington	\$ 718.36	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid helped pay for the Children's Iowa Choice Book for 2012-13 and a standing order for large print books. The money was also used for crafts and supplies for our Summer Reading Program. Two of the biggest users in our community are children and older citizens who need large print books.
Armstrong	\$ 780.48	Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements	We spent \$274.47 of Direct State Aid for non-fiction books for the primary section. We spent \$506.01 for ballasts so the library would have better lighting. Without this income we would not be able to keep our library conducive for people to come in. We are also able to keep our book collection up to date with non-fiction books. The primary age children check almost as many non-fiction books as fiction books.
Arnolds Park	\$ 899.12	Technology and Equipment	Our five county libraries did a joint project of digitizing the local newspapers. Arnolds Park's share was \$2000. Direct State Aid was used toward that. Having the old newspapers available online has made searching them much easier. But the best part of our project is the chance to do something as a county library group. We

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			Dickinson County librarians depend on each other.
Arthur	NE		
Asbury	\$ 7,340.95	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid allowed us to purchase three new computer towers (\$1,797.00) and six new laptops (\$5,543.95). Direct State Aid is a wonderful opportunity for our library to improve our customers' access to information. The three towers will be installed to create public access stations at our Drexler/Farley branch. One of the laptops will be assigned to a staff member who does not have a computer station and the other five laptops will be used for teaching computer classes. With laptops we can take the classes to all of our branches as well as community and senior centers. The library has not offered computer classes for several years and we have had many customer requests to learn computer skills. In addition to teaching basic Internet searching, using email, downloading e-books, etc., we want to teach customers to use our wonderful, information databases such as the Iowa Works Virtual Access Portal, Cypress Resume, Legal Forms, NoveList, EBSCOhost, America's Newspapers, PowerSpeak Languages, and Price It! These databases provide so much information but unless people feel comfortable using them, they are useless. We plan to begin classes in the fall of 2012.
Ashton	\$ 756.30	Personnel	Direct State Aid funds help us provide library services to the patrons of Ashton and the surrounding rural area. It is also used to enable our little library to be open 20 hours a week to meet requirements.
Atkins	\$ 896.09	Technology and Equipment	These funds were spent on a new computer and Internet access
Atlantic	\$ 1,619.98	Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for the rental for one day of the Dome Theater for "Kick-off" to Library Week. See <a href="http://www.dometheater.net">www.dometheater.net</a> . It was a huge hit with the Atlantic Public Library patrons! All participants were given an exit survey after viewing their programs. For younger patrons, we asked that they draw their favorite thing! We received pictures of stars (Milky Way), a tornado, rockets, even a T-Rex! All the adult reviews were positive in their reactions and hoped that we would try this experience again. The purpose was to bring a new library experience for our patrons, and we succeeded beyond our expectations.
Auburn	\$ 309.64	Library Materials	This funding was used to add books to our collection.

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		and Supplies	Direct State Aid helps keep our selection of books current.
Audubon	\$ 1,063.23	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid allows us to purchase large print books. We have a large number of readers who love the ease of reading large print format books and they are voracious readers. With the funding for additional large print books, our reader's have been able to enjoy more books. Most of these readers are older adults and most comfortable with the book format, so the large print books meet their needs.
Aurelia	\$ 815.07	Technology and Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	With this money, we updated several software programs that were no longer compatible with newer computers and other software. We purchased new bean bag chairs for the children's room. We also purchased a new utility cart with plug-in capabilities to hold a computer printer and computer paper, etc. I used some of the money for our Summer Reading Program. I was able to buy more t-shirts for the kids, and to buy more art and craft supplies than I would have with budgeted money. These expenditures help myself and my staff do our jobs with more efficiency. More efficient service benefits all. It is nice to be able to offer just a little more than we would normally be able to.
Aurora	\$ 476.42	Library Materials and Supplies	All Direct State Aid funds were expended on movies this year. There is no other place in town in our small community of 185 to get movies, except for the library. Our check out policy is for one week, for free. Movies checkouts continue to go up every year.
Avoca	\$ 1,039.04	Technology and Equipment	We were able to purchase two new computers/monitors/keyboards and one new wifi card for an older computer for a total of \$2,321.50. One computer is used for staff and the other new computer replaced one of the patron access Gateway computers. Technology upgrades are always a benefit. Our computers are used by young and old. Although we did not increase the number of computers available, the speed of the new computers is great and the new 17" monitors are wonderful.
Badger	NE		
Bagley	\$ 740.71	Personnel	In a town of this size with a limited tax base, this funding is vital to keeping the library open. It is the only place for people to congregate, use a computer, borrow a DVD, get information, or just avail themselves of the resources needed to have a meaningful lifestyle.
Bancroft	\$ 824.14	Library Materials	Books were purchased with these funds.

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		and Supplies	
Batavia	NE		
Battle Creek	\$ 747.00	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies	This money helps pay salaries for additional staff & training - 80 hours @ \$7.25 /hr. We also purchased children's books - the children are always happy to see new books in the library.
Baxter	\$ 842.41	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased books to update our junior non-fiction section.
Bayard	\$ 769.69	Technology and Equipment	These funds were applied towards the purchase of one early childhood AWE computer, providing up-to-date educational resources for children through 8 yrs. We also replaced an old Gates computer and the "Magic School Bus" resource.
Beaman	\$ 762.81	Technology and Equipment	With Direct State Aid, we are leasing and have a maintenance contract for a new color copier. We are also faxing and doing photo copies on this machine. It's great! This will make it so much nicer to have one machine that does all instead of three machines that takes more toner, more color ink, paper, etc.
Bedford	\$ 312.57	Capital Improvements	We put these funds towards our geo-thermal furnace and air project. Since the old furnace sounded like it was going to take off every time it kicked on, this project made for a very comfortable environment for all our patrons.
Belle Plaine	\$ 1,038.92	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We purchased new books, renewed our NEIBORS e-books contract, and purchased a new people counter with Direct State Aid.
Bellevue	\$ 1,055.93	Technology and Equipment	We used these funds for a new computer. The Direct State Aid money is vitally important to our lives as it enables us to purchase computers or library materials that we would not ordinarily be able to afford. It has a direct and positive impact on our patrons.
Belmond	\$ 1,122.30	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	With this funding we were able to continue our subscriptions to NEIBORS and our language learning software. Without this funding we may have had to drop one or both subscriptions. Many of our patrons have come to rely on these services for audio books, e-books and education. It would have definitely been hard to have to choose between these subscriptions or library materials. I am very thankful that we are able to offer traditional library materials and also services like downloadable audio and e-books for our patrons.
Bennett	\$ 276.90	Library Materials	These funds were used for books and videos. Being able

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		and Supplies	to provide more to our collection is very helpful as we are getting busier each year.
Bettendorf	\$ 4,851.19	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid has allowed us to continue to upgrade our collection, especially in the area of downloadable books as patrons are looking for reading materials that are available for their Kindles and notebooks. We continue to purchase large print books as the demand is increasing. We are responsive to our community and the surrounding community as our library is a hub of activity. By receiving these additional funds we are able to keep our collection current and growing. Through our new RiverShare consortium we are able to share our resources with others in a reciprocal borrowing arrangement.
Birmingham	NE		
Blairstown	\$ 771.95	Library Materials and Supplies	\$500.00 of Direct State Aid was spent on e-books through Overdrive's Advantage program. After Christmas, the requests for e-books sky-rocketed. The library board decided that we needed to meet that need and enrolled in the Advantage program. We have to keep evolving to meet our customers' needs. Our patrons' lives are ultra-busy. They keep up with their children's activities in a school district that covers many square miles. Many commute to Cedar Rapids, 30 miles away, for their jobs. Our senior patrons need large print materials. So we have seen both of these groups gravitating to the e-readers. We want to help them stretch their hard-earned money a little further and provide e-books for them. They appreciate the convenience of checking out e-books on their schedule and not having to worry about returning items before the due date.
Blakesburg	\$ 473.93	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We bought ink for the printers for the patrons to use. We spent part of this money on craft supplies for our Summer Reading Program. The kids had a blast with our programs. Looking forward to next year's Summer Reading Program. We also paid for my expenses to become a certified librarian.
Bloomfield	\$ 737.45	Library Materials and Supplies	This money helps supplement my line items for books and movies. This goes a long way towards improving my library's collection.
Bode	\$ 298.19	Technology and Equipment	We bought a new laserjet printer with these funds.
Bonaparte	\$ 472.10	Library Materials and Supplies	This money was used to purchase book pockets, tape, book cards, and spine labels. We continue to see an upswing in circulation of all materials and in the usage of

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			our computers, printer, and fax machine. Our printer has been much busier than usual this year. We've had three people who have completed their online Odyssey classes so they were able to obtain their high school diplomas. We've had several more who have been taking online college classes or just using our computers to file FAFSA forms and to apply for college.
Bondurant	\$ 1,308.63	Library Materials and Supplies	72 adult and juvenile non-fiction books were purchased with Direct State Aid. We were able to supplement our print collection with extra materials in time for the Summer Reading Program. Examples of books we added were: hobbies, self-help, wellness, zombie books, animal books, biographies, gardening, how-to for Kindle fire and ipad2, cookbooks and job searching through social media.
Boone	\$ 2,541.69	Library Materials and Supplies	With Direct State Aid, we spent \$1077.91 on large print books and \$1463.78 on Children's books.
Boyden	\$ 625.16	Library Materials and Supplies	We were able to increase our large print books collection with our Direct State Aid funds. We really appreciate the funding that we receive!
Britt	\$ 1,015.98	Personnel; Technology and Equipment; Furniture	Using Direct State Aid, we purchased a Kindle for staff and classes, a new rug and bench for the entry way. The extra help we hired with these funds for our Summer Reading program was needed because of an increase in attendance. All of this money was well spent with maximum community impact!
Brooklyn	NE		
Buffalo Center	\$ 345.06	Furniture	After some remodeling in the library, we hired a local carpenter using these funds to build a book shelf in the shape of a train engine. It is a great addition to our children's area.
Burlington	\$ 4,745.36	Technology and Equipment	This year we improved our public catalog by using Direct State Aid toward the purchase of new software. Enterprise, a software tool that works with our current ILS system, modernizes our customer search experience. A single search will include our database tools as well as our collections. It also allows more intuitive narrowing of searches and a more customizable interface.
Burt	\$ 790.89	Other	With this money, we replaced the painted plywood shelving in our children's area with locally made oak shelving. This was in our five-year plan, but funds have always been too tight to replace the shelving until we used this year's Direct State Aid check.
Bussey	NE		
Calamus	NE		



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Callender	\$ 763.17	Library Materials and Supplies	The funds were used to purchase new books and enables us to provide a broader range of materials to patrons.
Calmar	\$ 854.65	Library Materials and Supplies	Adult and young adult audio books on CDs and some young adult books to add to the popular, expanding YA section of the library were paid for with Direct State Aid. As a result of Direct State Aid, the library is able to continue to purchase audio books on CDs for patrons who prefer that format for recreational reading. Even though Calmar Public Library can offer the NEIBORS program to its patrons for downloadable e-books and audio books, there are many patrons who utilize the collection within the library for travel purposes and multiple listeners who use audiobooks. We have also used funding to continue purchasing fiction books for our young adult section, as that is one of the fastest growing and most popular collections in the library. We have a standing order program where we receive one "Current Trends" YA book each month, in addition to the ones the library director selects, and as a result of the state funding, we are able to continue this trend.
Camanche	\$ 1,235.08	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	With Direct State Aid, we purchased books. We spent \$350.17 for supplies and prizes for the children's Summer Reading Program. We also spent some of the funds for two gift certificates we used as prizes for the adult winter reading program.
Cambridge	\$ 515.55	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We spent Direct State Aid money on books for our Summer Reading Program. I wanted some new ones for the kids. They have read them and some of the ones I bought were for a man who reads to the kids twice in the summer (his employer wants his staff to volunteer). We also spent money on our Summer Library Program. We had three presenters that we paid and we had two that did not charge so I felt we were very lucky. This year we had Iowa State Wildlife come with two owls and two hawks. We had kids I did not know and had quite a few adults. I would say that was a good program. We have had more kids this year, and that is because we have been able to get more programs because of Direct State Aid.
Cantril	NE		
Carlisle	\$ 1,245.19	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and	We used these funds to update new bulletin board decorations for the children's room; something that had not been done for over 20 years. The positive difference

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		Equipment	in the atmosphere of the room with the new decorations is noticeable. We had budgeted for a new circulation computer this fiscal year but had not realized that the new computer would not be compatible with our old receipt printer. So it was nice to be able to use these funds for that. Because of the purchases made possible with this funding, we have increased community awareness of library programs and improved the quality of materials we are able to provide for the community.
Carroll	\$ 2,142.86	Library Materials and Supplies	This money was used to purchase new large print books.
Carter Lake	\$ 1,127.30	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid was used to renew our Follett contract, maintenance and support for the automation system, books for the Books for Babies Program and prizes for the Summer Reading Program.
Cascade	\$ 968.19	Technology and Equipment	We were able to purchase a new computer for public access with Direct State Aid. At least one computer a year needs to be replaced as the demand from our patrons stays the same or increases.
Casey	\$ 301.23	Personnel	My Assistant Director and I really appreciate getting this financial assistance so we can continue to employ a custodian. As you can imagine, our duties as librarians in a small, rural area are extensive enough without having to clean.
Cedar Falls	\$ 6,010.54	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Other	This money was used to purchase Bifolkal kits for discussion at outreach sites. It also paid mileage reimbursement for our 3rd Age Coordinator's vehicle expenses. Residents who are no longer capable of traveling to the library have collections brought to them. Whether or not they still have ties to friends or family in the community, they are given an opportunity to get together and talk about books, helping stimulate intellect, memories, and socialization. Our library provides funding for most of the materials used in the program. We purchase multiple copies of large print books for the book discussion groups, and these sets are also listed on the state's multiple copies list and made available to other libraries.
Cedar Rapids	\$17,296.27	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for e-books, books, DVDs, and CDs. With the demand for e-books increasing at a fantastic rate, directing much of the this money toward this format worked well for us. Our budget cannot stretch to cover all the formats that customers desire. Thank you!
Center Point	\$ 897.58	Personnel	Each year our Summer Library Program participation

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			increases. This year we had over 600 participants and previously 499 in 2011 and 439 in 2010. Without this money to add additional staff we would not be able to support these numbers.
Centerville	\$ 949.71	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased new adult and children's books.
Central City	NE		
Chariton	\$ 1,284.10	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	In past years the library's budget for collection items came, in part, from the interest generated by invested bequest funds. Those funds have diminished to virtually nothing. We were facing a desperate situation. We secured grant funds of \$7,250. Each year we struggle to meet our annual automation fee. This year's fee was less, since we switched to Destiny. Direct State Aid dollars allow us to keep our automation system updated. We used DSA dollars this year to pay our \$302.05 movie licensing fees. With a projector mounted in our meeting room we are showing more and more children's films during our regular programming and at special events. The ability to do this really saved us. As our budget fluctuates and our interest payments bottom-out, we've faced some tough choices, but the Direct State Aid funds have plugged several budget holes for us this year. Our city and county funding only covers salaries, building and grounds maintenance, utilities & custodial fees. Everything else comes from other income sources. We feel very lucky this year that we made it through without cutting back on services or collections.
Charles City	\$ 1,789.30	Library Materials and Supplies	The amount of money provided by Direct State Aid is a small amount of our overall budget (about 1/2 of a percent) however this enabled us to buy an additional 70 large print books.
Charter Oak	\$ 251.56	Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for our Summer Reading Program, National Library Week, and an open house which we'd never had before.
Chelsea	\$ 249.64	Library Programs	With these funds, we started an after school program for the school-aged children in town. We had an early out program once a month. We would do an activity like play a game or do an art project. Then we would have story-time, and have a snack. We also ordered prizes. It had a great impact on the city of Chelsea. The children had programs to go to when school got out early. The money also enabled the library to purchase Summer Reading Program prizes.

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Cherokee	\$ 1,385.91	Library Materials and Supplies	Large print books, books, audio CDs, DVDs, and cases for audiovisual materials were purchased with Direct State Aid. We are able to offer our patrons a larger selection of materials by using this funding. Our older citizens especially appreciate the large print and audios.
Churdan	\$ 808.09	Personnel; Capital Improvements	With Direct State Aid, we replaced the ballasts in our library. The money was used as a match for part of the in-kind money for a county grant we received. For many years the library has talked about replacing/improving the lighting in the library. This year we applied for and received a county grant to replace the ballasts, as well as replace the ceiling tiles in the library. The new lighting is nice. It does make it seem brighter, but the main reason for upgrading the lighting is it is more efficient. We expect to see savings this winter! We also used this money to pay for additional staff hours.
Clare	NE		
Clarence	\$ 796.47	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We purchased Destiny Renewal and sky lanterns for the Summer Reading Program. Our renewal for our Destiny helped with our automation with checking books, etc., in and out. The sky lanterns we purchased for our Summer Reading Program were suppose to be a big hit. The kids and adults were excited about letting them go for a finale at the end of our program. But with the way our weather was with the extreme heat and dryness we decided not to do this until fall when it was cooler. But it was a great idea and the kids were pretty bummed but it will be good when we can do something more at the park for the fall. We were glad we had this extra money to purchase these for our program. It is fun to add something new and different for the kids and adults. I had a hard time focusing on our program this year. I had a lot on my plate, but when someone mentioned these sky lanterns, then I felt this was going to be the "Grand Finale. We did have 60 attend our last night for our program so that was a good thing.
Clarinda	\$ 1,401.64	Library Materials and Supplies	State aid was used to increase the number of materials in the children's and youth department. Without Direct State Aid the library would have had to reduce the number of new books for children and youth. This money allows the library to expand and meet the ever changing needs of our community with new up-to-date resources.
Clarion	\$ 1,168.90	Capital	Near the entrance of the library, an outdoor patio with

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		Improvements	built-in, wall-style seating was installed using these funds.
Clarksville	\$ 865.47	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for books (new and replacements) and e-books/audiobooks through NEIBORS (FY2013 subscription to Overdrive). The money also helped pay for the Summer Library Program and the Grout Museum's Star Lab program. This funding always brings improvements to our community--we were able to replace many used books and new large print books for our patrons, and also continue subscribing to the NEIBORS program. (This program has really taken off in our community this last year--patrons appreciate being able to access titles from home or when the library is closed.)
Clear Lake	\$ 1,883.05	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds were spent on audio books which are very popular with people who have a daily commute to work. Vacationers also come in to stock up for their trips. Many "snow birds" borrow audio books for their sojourns south or west and then mail them back to the library when they reach their destination. We are able to have a greater variety of audio books due to Direct State Aid.
Clearfield	NE		
Cleghorn	\$ 711.49	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We purchased new books and DVDs. The Summer Library Program party, summer reading craft materials, and summer story time craft materials and snacks were also purchased with Direct State Aid. Your funding is very important to our library because we are limited on the number of businesses in our little town. So asking for donations from businesses for special things like Summer Reading Programs is difficult. We expanded our summer story time programs this year and it was a great success! Also, because of this extra funding we were able to offer wireless Internet to our patrons.
Clermont	\$ 509.37	Technology and Equipment; Other	The new projector cart we purchased with Direct State Aid will come in handy for showing movies at the Library and also for storing the equipment. The clipart subscription will be used for the library website and when making brochures for the library.
Clinton	\$ 4,123.61	Technology and Equipment	With these funds we purchased new computers and monitors to replace older public access computers. We also purchased PC Reservation for the computers.
Clive	\$ 2,645.36	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid was used for e-books and downloadable audio books. We are grateful for Direct State Aid, which helps defray the cost of serving non-residents and meeting the standards for library accreditation.

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Clutier	NE		
Coggon	\$ 553.81	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid was spent on new books.
Coin	NE		
Colesburg	\$ 727.01	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Used part of Direct State Aid to help fund the cost of subscribing to NEIBORS, a downloadable e-reader program. We have had a lot of requests for this service. We also wrote a grant to help fund this program. We bought supplies for our story hour programs and incentive prizes for our Summer Reading Program. We have a younger person we hired with new ideas working with the children and our numbers have increased in our attendance at these programs.
Colfax	\$ 600.25	Technology and Equipment	This money helped us purchase a new computer. We have three public access computers. One of the computers was outdated so we replaced it with a Lenova computer, which is more efficient.
Collins	\$ 769.43	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We bought new books and movies, and a new computer monitor and headphones. The money also helped pay for the Summer Reading Program. The funding through Direct State Aid has enriched our library with the resources necessary to provide useful and beneficial materials and information to the library patrons of our community and surrounding community members. We have provided updated materials for circulation, are about to complete our automation system and have enriched or children's programing. We paid extra hours for the director as she completes the automation project.
Colo	\$ 870.19	Technology and Equipment	The library purchased a projector, television and stand with this money. This is the first year the library has invested in a movie license and with the license and new equipment the library shows at least one movie a month.
Columbus Junction	\$ 949.14	Personnel	We specifically budgeted for a part time job for a high school student.
Conrad	\$ 903.89	Personnel	The library actually spent \$1914.34 more on salaries than budgeted. This was because of staff turnover. The children's librarian went back to school. This caused the existing staff to work additional hours. The children's librarian position could not be filled so the director also became the children's librarian but worked less hours behind the circulation desk. A new staffer was hired to work these hours. The director is salaried so the budget did not adequately cover these hours.

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Coon Rapids	\$ 863.81	Furniture; Library Programs	With this money, the library purchased carpet protector mats to put under the computer chairs. The library also purchased materials for the Summer Reading Program. We purchased incentives for the participants.
Coralville	\$ 3,518.76	Personnel	Had we not had the additional Direct State Aid dollars outside of our budgeted library resources, there would have been an extremely negative impact on our patrons. We had the need to bring in additional technology personnel to get us through some issues, and we were able to maintain access for our patrons to critical electronic resources as well as easy access to the Internet while resolving our technology issues.
Corning	\$ 956.48	Library Materials and Supplies	The city council will not give us an increase for our library materials budget. We always use the money we get from the state to help us buy library materials that are not donated as memorials.
Correctionville	\$ 246.30	Technology and Equipment	We purchased new lighting for the library and we put the Direct State Aid dollars towards the payment. We have a brighter book area for our patrons to browse our shelves.
Corwith	\$ 756.19	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid helped us pay for new books=\$406.05 and DVDs=\$218.63. It also helped fund our Summer Reading Program. Being in a small community with a limited budget the additional funding allows us to better serve our patrons. We strive to provide our patrons with current books, news and magazines, along with various programs throughout the year. This money also paid for librarian training/workshop expenses.
Corydon	\$ 871.10	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	This money was spent on new adult fiction books as well as a few new CD audio books and large print books for the library's collection. This money was spent on fixing the main computer we do check-outs on. This money went toward helping pay for painting the front of the library and repairing the front and back doors of the library. This money went toward buying the supplies and things needed for the Summer Reading Program. This funding really helps our library to continue to operate well and provide a good Summer Reading Program for our young readers. This money also went toward salaries and for the director to be paid for classes and mileage for any classes that weren't offered online.
Coulter	\$ 802.67	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent this money in the children and teen section to give them a larger choice of material to read.

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			Without this funding, we would not be able to give them new books. This keeps them wanting to come back for more.
Council Bluffs	\$ 9,819.07	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs; Other	The library was able to improve the library experience for our community by using the majority of our funds for carpet cleaning. The purchase of new library cards, book trucks, and DVD cases favorably impacts our community by having new supplies to use for direct library service. With the money for programming we were able to offer a music program on songs of the Civil War, a program well-received by our patrons to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.
Cresco	\$ 1,267.79	Library Materials and Supplies	The funding was used for books, audio books, and CDs. There are many senior citizens in our area who love to read Westerns. We have been able to add more titles of both large print and regular print Westerns for their reading pleasure.
Creston	\$ 1,756.06	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This money was used for new books, library supplies, our WILBOR contract and computer repairs. It also helps pay salaries.
Crystal Lake	NE		
Cumberland	\$ 723.17	Library Materials and Supplies	We were able to purchase new books.
Cushing	\$ 220.87	Library Materials and Supplies	WILBOR – Direct State Aid offset the first-time participant fee of the WILBOR Consortium. This funding helped make the decision to participate in WILBOR. Since joining we have had many non-library users come in and ask how they can download e-books to their devices. We feel that we are reaching more of our residents that did not come into the library before this innovative added service.
Dallas Center	\$ 950.63	Library Materials and Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	We purchased a new shelving unit for book displays, and Summer Library Program prizes and supplies. We were able to enhance our children's non-fiction and add to our audio selections, which have been in great demand. Our Summer Reading Program was the most successful so far thanks to better prizes and supplies.
Davenport	\$13,288.50	Personnel	Direct State Aid funds enhance the library's ability to be open on Sundays during the school year.
Dayton	\$ 827.08	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment;	Direct State Aid helped pay for juvenile and young adult fiction, and non-fiction books were updated and expanded. Combined with USDA RD funds (\$650), Direct State Aid helped us purchase a new PC including



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		Library Programs	installation and programming set up, and refurbishment of an old PC. The money also helped provide entertainment at the Summer Reading Program finale/celebration. Our library has improved its presence and appeal to the juvenile sector of our town through books, programming, and activities using Direct State Aid.
De Soto	\$ 816.81	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We used the Direct State Aid funding to buy the Iowa Children's Choice Award books. The books are always in hot demand, and I'm so thankful that we're able to provide them to the kids in our community, thanks to Direct State Aid funding! We used most of our Direct State Aid funding to help with the Summer Reading Program. It is always our biggest program of the year, and attracts a huge number of young patrons to the library. With the Direct State Aid funding, we are able to provide fun programs. The size of our town means the only thing we are really able to offer the kids is the park and library. In the summer, the library is crowded with kids that come to the story times to hear books read, make crafts and have a snack in a safe, community environment. Without the Direct State Aid funding, the program we could offer would be significantly reduced.
De Witt	\$ 1,710.91	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This money was spent on DVDs and much needed updated computer hardware.
Decorah	\$ 1,999.43	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	Interlibrary loan is a valued service for our patrons and the citizens of other libraries. The postal costs have risen astronomically. We have also purchased additional books on CD for the collection. The interest in these items continues to grow. The need for increasing the bandwidth of the wireless connection for the library has skyrocketed in the last six months. More and more people are coming in with handheld devices and laptops. The technology administrator and I have reviewed our technology program. The use of Direct State Aid helps to support not only the ongoing needs, but also new projects. The need for increased bandwidth was not an urgent need last year at this time and one we could not have planned. To be able to meet this need because of this funding is huge. Information services is the mission of the library, balancing the printed and the technological needs is crucial. We also do outreach to three area nursing homes, care facilities, preschools and daycare

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			centers. The funding assisted with mileage for staff to travel to the locations. Outreach beyond the walls of the library is valuable for citizens of our area who cannot make it to the library either by limited transportation, housing limitations and for children in area day care centers and preschools who have limited exposure to the library programs and materials. It meets the mission for the library to be an all-encompassing resource center providing materials and programs for the leisure, entertainment and the life-long learning of the citizens of our area. Thanks for the opportunity and support.
Delhi	\$ 743.58	Personnel	The money was spent for part time help and for staff to work with the children's programing.
Denison	\$ 1,870.62	Technology and Equipment	With Direct State Aid we replaced four computers and replaced four obsolete computers to improve patron experience and staff efficiency.
Denver	\$ 1,024.73	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We used Direct State Aid to purchase children's books and board books for our children's collection. We also purchased several DVDs to add to our collection. The money was also used to pay for an EBSCOhost database subscription fee. The funds also paid for a puppeteer to present a show for our Summer Reading Program. Having Direct State Aid monies stretches our book and material budget allowing us to purchase these types of books and book sets that we probably would not be able to take advantage of with our regular budget. We also are able to offer more high quality programs for children. This year we used most of our funds to enhance our services to children. Since we are a small community, it is important that we make our library relevant to young people and keep them coming to our library.
Des Moines	\$27,172.07	Library Materials and Supplies	Periodical subscriptions for branch libraries and the Central Library were purchased with these funds. If we did not have this funding from the State of Iowa, our periodical collection would collapse down to 30% of the number of titles that we presently offer throughout the entire library system. Periodicals (magazines and newspapers) are one of the top three vehicles for dissemination of information to the citizens of Des Moines, through the library system. Periodical literature allows for the dissemination of timely, daily informational and recreational information to the public that cannot be

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			duplicated in books. Periodical literature also provides timely information through trusted, reliable, easily accessible sources that cannot always be found on the web.
Dexter	\$ 509.41	Furniture; Library Programs	We purchased used book bins from the Slater Public Library using this money. The kids love having their books more accessible and we were running out of space for our children's collection. We have expanded our Summer Reading Program so we used this money to pay for additional programming and prizes. We have a large number of children coming into the library during the summer so we have tried to keep them busy and provide hands-on activities. This summer has been especially hot so we have seen more need for indoor activities. I have seen a lot of new faces and have had an increase in card holders this past year. The number of books and movies checked out is higher than in past years.
Dickens	\$ 467.41	Library Materials and Supplies	Books for ladies group, and new books for the adults and children who use our Library were purchased with Direct State Aid.
Dike	\$ 910.36	Library Materials and Supplies	Books, DVD's, puzzles, large print, picture books, books on CD, junior easy reader series, adult fiction, Christian fiction and graphic novels are some of the ways we used Direct State Aid. The funding helped our library meet the needs of our patrons by allowing us to purchase materials they desired for recreational and education needs.
Donnellson	\$ 799.54	Personnel	We are open for 45.5 hours per week, in a small town of 950 people. However, we serve a broad rural area. Our computers are usually full by 11:45 a.m. so being open early is a boon to those who need computers. The money pays for staff hours to be open an additional 1.5 hours per week, based on an average wage per hour of \$10.25.
Doon	NE		
Dow City	NE		
Dows	\$ 854.42	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid went towards junior fiction books and the Summer Reading Program. The children read through the summer, helping them retain some of what they had learned the previous year. It also gave them things to do through the summer months and gave them a safe and educational environment in which to do so.
Dubuque	\$ 8,127.14	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent \$5,627.14 on e-books. \$2,500.00 on leasing popular books that are put in the library's vending machine for check out located on the other side of town. The number of formats available for just one title is mind-

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			boggling! Often new formats are available in addition to and not replacing a traditional format. The newest format -- e-books -- has grown exponentially, but the materials budget has not grown to meet the demand. We have reallocated funding from our book budget to support other non-print formats as far as we can go at this time, yet we are unable to meet demand. Direct State Aid funding allowed the library to invest in the purchase of e-books. Patrons love them! The city of Dubuque also continues to grow and the western part of the city (and eastern part of the county) have experienced major growth. The library does not have a presence on the west side of town. We were successful in obtaining a grant to install a vending-machine style "library" which, with a library card, will dispense books for adults, children, and teens, as well as DVDs. We wanted to fill the machine with popular material that often sees a waiting list at the downtown library, and wanted to lease this popular material on a continuous basis. Again, Direct State Aid funding made this possible. With popular titles the machine has gone from checking out 25 items a month, to 400 a month! Thank you!
Dumont	\$ 765.89	Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements	Direct State Aid was used to pay Overdrive for NEIBORS. We also used these funds to clean the carpet and paint the bathrooms. This funding allows us to offer services such as NEIBORS that we would not be able to afford on our own.
Duncombe	\$ 766.08	Technology and Equipment	The funding we received from Direct State Aid will greatly improve our library services. Due to the numerous requests for E-books, the decision was made to join Iowa Library Services - NE District NEIBORS consortium to provide e-books to our borrowers. Direct State Aid funds were used for the subscription set-up fees, and first year subscription. We will be going live on May 31, 2012.
Dunkerton	\$ 778.24	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased audio books, books for the Summer Reading Program, and books for the general public. This funding helps us add to our collection and meet the needs of our patrons.
Dunlap	\$ 547.51	Personnel	This money is spent on my replacement for vacation and sick days.
Dyersville	\$ 1,220.26	Library Materials and Supplies	We dedicate our Direct State Aid to supplement our media collection. We use it to purchase DVDs, CDs, games, etc.
Dysart	\$ 851.82	Personnel;	Award books, books on CD and supplies were paid for

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		Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	with Direct State Aid, as well as a laser printer for the circulation desk. This funding, though less than previous years, enables us to purchase things that we would not normally purchase and have staff work some extra hours for programming that was not figured into the normal worked hours.
Eagle Grove	\$ 1,340.58	Technology and Equipment	We used the funding to replace staff computers.
Earlham	\$ 919.26	Personnel; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid was used to repair a computer that had crashed. Our Summer Reading Program is huge at our library so we are always pulling money in to use for it! Including pay for two on staff during programs.
Earlville	\$ 544.52	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the money to purchase DVDs and books for our patrons. We get people in the library every week who peruse our selection of DVDs and check them out. I especially like to purchase movies based on books we have in the library. I like to direct people to the books after they have watched the movie, so they can compare (the book is ALWAYS better!!!). But in times and towns where money is tight, free video rental is an important draw to patrons, and a wonderful service to our community.
Early	NE		
Eddyville	\$ 810.16	Personnel	There are many people who are not able to get to the library during the weekday hours. We need to have the library open on Saturday mornings to accommodate their schedules so we use Direct State Aid to pay for extra help. We also have a local knitters group who uses the meeting room for their weekly gatherings.
Edgewood	\$ 806.04	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds were used to purchase two newspaper subscriptions, large print books, books on CD and children's books. Because of our aging demographic we are able to supplement the Decorah large print books that we get on rotation with some of our own. Many people are giving up newspaper subscriptions, so they are coming here to read the papers. Those who haven't advanced to e-books still want audio books on CDs. These include factory workers and commuters to other cities. We were also able to purchase some new children's and youth books for the Summer Reading Program. Kids are always excited to be the first to check out new books.
Elberon	\$ 475.66	Furniture	With these funds, I ordered three bean bags for the kids to use during movie time. I also ordered two saucer chairs

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			for the children. I enjoy seeing the kids share the chairs while watching movies or reading! It was well worth the money spent. This library never had movie time until I attended the Public Library Management classes last fall. I have put my full effort into getting the children into the library. I see more children reading along when using the computers.
Eldon	\$ 547.21	Library Materials and Supplies	\$383.43 was spent on the subscription to WILBOR downloadable books consortium and the rest was spent on DVDs. Many people already had Kindles and Nooks and other devices they were using to read books and now they are able to use our library to check those books out. We do not have any other e-books available, so being able to join WILBOR helps get back some of the patrons we lost to e-readers.
Eldora	\$ 1,091.02	Technology and Equipment	\$425.00 was spent towards the purchase of six Kindle Touch e-readers. \$292.99 was spent on Microsoft Office software for one staff computer and three public access computers. \$373.03 was spent towards the purchase of a new computer for the front desk. Thank you. This year's funding was directed towards updating our technology. The purchase of the e-book readers in particular was useful as we now have the capability to check out e-books to people that don't own their own e-book reading devices.
Eldridge	\$ 7,662.16	Technology and Equipment	We purchased a new OPAC, Polaris. Our portion of the total expense was \$16,835. The new OPAC provides our patrons with many services not available previously. Holds are easier to place. The funding enabled us to spend the additional monies without negatively impacting our purchase of materials to any great extent. The new system will be much cheaper than our previous one and will allow more money in the future for the purchase of materials. The new system also provides some staff services, such as calling patrons when materials are do. It also has cut down on the number of overdue charges to patrons because of the reminder e-mails.
Elgin	\$ 753.52	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	Books, audio books and computers were purchased with Direct State Aid. As a small, rural library, we often struggle to have enough books and technology to fill patrons needs, and this funding helps immensely in providing both books and computer access that we would otherwise not be able to afford.
Elk Horn	\$ 761.88	Library Programs	We do an after school program each Tuesday during the

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			school year only because we have this funding.
Elkader	\$ 897.59	Personnel	Having enough staff to fulfill all of our patrons needs has become a prime concern over the last two years. All of this funding has been devoted to this purpose. So Direct State Aid funding has gone from providing extras to our community to providing the necessities. And the need is ever increasing.
Elliott	\$ 486.67	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid was used to purchase children's and large print books. We also bought craft supplies, prizes and treats for the Summer Reading Program. We have a lot of senior patrons who can only read large print books. We are very pleased to be able to meet their needs. The children and teens get excited when they come in and see all the new books we have to offer. Our patrons come into the library to read and socialize. Without this funding, we would not be able to have new books to offer them.
Ellsworth	\$ 767.59	Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements	With these funds we added more juvenile and adult non-fiction to our collection, and a Koala Baby Changing Station for the community restroom. The addition of current non-fiction books has increased the number of books being checked out by both adults and juniors.
Elma	\$ 797.26	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the money to purchase items for our collection such as books, audio books, and movies. The extra money helps the library keep up to date.
Ely	\$ 1,030.37	Library Materials and Supplies	The money was spent on purchasing children's books for our collection, as well as audio books for our children, young adults and adults.
Emerson	NE		
Emmetsburg	\$ 1,327.63	Other	With Direct State Aid, the library set up an Advantage account with Overdrive, Inc. that allows us to offer downloadable e-books and downloadable audiobooks to our patrons without the expense of setting up a full account with Overdrive. Before, our patrons would have to go on long waiting lists for popular titles. Now, with our Advantage collection, our patrons only have to wait on other local users for the popular titles. The statistics truly bear out the strategy of purchasing popular titles, for each month all the Advantage titles check out at least once.
Essex	\$ 757.04	Library Materials and Supplies	Because of budget cuts, our book budget is severely limited. The money from Direct State Aid has allowed us to continue purchasing large print books for our patrons.

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Estherville	\$ 1,509.82	Technology and Equipment	This amount was expended towards the library's annual circulation system fee. State funding aids in our ability to afford a high-quality circulation system which is the basis of good service.
Evansdale	\$ 962.96	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This year we updated some things and purchased things we have gone without for awhile. We got signage for our bathroom and supply closet doors, a handtruck, a typewriter for patron use, a new paper trimmer and ink. We purchased a wireless printer, portable hard drive and flash drives for library use. We get asked regularly if we have a typewriter that patrons can use rather than computers, especially our older patrons. I think this will improve the relations between that demographic. We are also excited to offer a wireless printer since the wireless usage is increasing in our library. These are things that always seemed like "someday" purchases and this year, that day came.
Everly	\$ 511.37	Furniture; Library Programs	With Direct State Aid, we purchased a large sidewalk sign and letters. We purchased supplies, snacks and prizes for the Summer Reading Program. We took the children to the production of Little Mermaid at Treasure Village Summer Theatre. Our new sidewalk sign is visible to patrons walking or driving by the library. It announces what programs are being held at the library.
Exira	\$ 817.48	Other	We used our funding to pay for our WILBOR subscription annual fee which was \$375.60 and the remainder (\$560.22) to help pay for the annual fee from Follett software for our library catalog. It is a struggle to purchase everything it takes to keep a library going for a year. Both WILBOR and our online catalog are important services we need to keep our patrons satisfied and coming back to us. Without this funding we would either not have these services to offer the community or we would have to make additional cuts to other important areas of the library. We really appreciate this money.
Fairbank	\$ 830.69	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	With Direct State Aid, we purchased books on CD, large print books, a Science Center of Iowa demonstration, and prizes for summer reading. The children of the community really enjoyed the science demonstrations that were led by the Science Center of Iowa. They checked out books that dealt with this topic when they went home. The kids read a lot to try to win the library prizes for the Summer Reading Program.
Fairfax	NE		



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Fairfield	\$ 2,327.44	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid helps our library to maintain a vital adult non-fiction collection.
Farmersburg	\$ 706.29	Personnel	This money was used to help pay salaries.
Farmington	NE		
Farnhamville	NE		
Fayette	\$ 846.71	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid helped us purchase the 2012-13 Iowa Choice, Teen, High School and Goldfinch award winners for children's books, and our EBSCOhost database subscription for the adults and children of our community. We were also able to have the Blank Park Zoo visit for our Summer Reading Program. The Direct State Aid funds all went toward improving our children's collection and programming for children.
Fenton	\$ 754.23	Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	This money was used for some special book purchases, building improvement of a new drain and a library program with a visiting author.
Fertile	\$ 771.38	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for our NEIBORS audio book and e-book download subscription. The demand for this service keeps growing. We also purchased books, audio books and DVDs to keep our collection current.
Fonda	\$ 526.03	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We purchased a new laser printer as our old one had not been working well for quite some time. We purchased snacks and materials to make crafts for our Summer Library Program. It is a big improvement to be able to print pages that do not have blotches, especially when it is an important paper
Fontanelle	\$ 754.08	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	These funds were used to buy new spine labels, label protectors, book covers, books, a computer hookup, a new router and repairs, and a visit from the Blank Park Zoo for our Summer Library Program.
Forest City	\$ 1,256.81	Technology and Equipment	These funds paid for the majority of our BEACON subscription so we can continue our membership in the consortium.
Fort Atkinson	\$ 745.34	Library Materials and Supplies	This amount helped with purchases of requested books in audio and book form, plus allows for purchasing plenty of book protection jackets and labels. We are also able to keep new releases of DVDs current with this money. By keeping a supply of the best sellers and the newer DVDs in our small town library we are constantly improving.
Fort Dodge	\$ 4,340.78	Personnel;	Direct State Aid helped us buy DVDs, audio books, a

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		Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	camera, clock, Nook and adapter, and a Kindle & adapter. Also with this funding we were able to bring in custodial help during our custodian's vacation and military training, which we would not have been able to do otherwise.
Fort Madison	\$ 727.98	Library Programs; Other	Bill Jamerson, a historian, gave a program at the library on the Civilian Conservation Corps. Several members of the community who attended had stories to share, either of their experience in the CCC or relatives' experiences with this depression-era work. Our library's anime club collected some of their art and published it in a spiral bound book. These funds subsidized the printing costs. The funding this year helped supplement library programs for both teens and adults.
Fredericksburg	\$ 843.61	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid helped pay for an elementary, middle school, and high school Battle of the Books. We also purchased new books, including large print, and a touch screen all-in-one computer. We had always done Battle of the Books for high school and middle school, but this year we also made battle books available for the elementary kids too. We have never had quite enough funding to purchase all of the battle books, but this year we purchased more and had almost all of them. We had many new kids come in and check them out and one parent came in and said she really appreciated us having the battle books as some of them were always checked out at the school library.
Galva	\$ 477.06	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent the entire amount on books and DVDs. It is what we needed the most. We could offer more reading and watching material to our community. Adult fiction books and all ages love the DVD section. We try to buy all new releases and we have a very nice selection. We do not have a DVD rental place in our town so the movie section is a big hit at our library.
Garden Grove	NE		
Garnavillo	\$ 825.04	Technology and Equipment	The entire amount was used to purchase a new copy machine. Due to the age of our old machine we could no longer get parts for repair. Without the funding from Direct State Aid, the library would find it very difficult to replace outdated equipment. The copy machine is used extensively to make copies for patrons. Other than the bank, we are the only place in town where copies can be made. The library is open during hours that the bank is not and the cost of making a copy is less than what the bank charges.

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Garner	\$ 1,199.04	Personnel	With this funding we have been able to send my children's librarian to 6-8 daycares, Headstart, a private preschool, and three classes (preschool and pre-k) at the public school for monthly storytimes. Due to the many cuts to this funding, we have been forced to cut other programs and limit buying materials so that we can maintain her part-time position within our budget.
Garrison	NE		
Garwin	\$ 501.71	Personnel	This money helped pay salaries.
George	\$ 598.95	Technology and Equipment	We used our Direct State Aid money to purchase a new check-out computer and receipt printer.
Gilman	NE		
Gilmore City	\$ 758.30	Personnel	We have been able to organize extra programs for events in town - Christmas, Easter and during the annual Fun Days event, by hiring extra help.
Gladbrook	\$ 543.34	Technology and Equipment	We used these funds to purchase a new circulation system. We went with Apollo because Spectrum no longer gave updates and wanted to phase it. It was giving us a lot of problems. We will have a better circulation system and should have no problems with items not getting scanned. We would think the return item was back in the system only to find out that was incorrect. We were having lots of problems. Thank you for Direct State Aid.
Glenwood	\$ 1,454.71	Technology and Equipment; Other	Antivirus software, a firewall subscription, and Microsoft Office 2010 licenses were all purchased with these funds. We also spent the funds for our Overdrive subscription. The computer upgrades we did last fall made a huge difference at our library. All of our computers are safe from viruses, and run the same Microsoft Office suite. Before it was a hodgepodge of software, now it is consistent. We were also able to sign up for Overdrive, which has been a huge success! We have many people who live in the county who cannot make it to the library. This allows them access even when we're closed. It has been wonderful!
Glidden	\$ 328.35	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	The Advantage Company - microfilming the local paper- "The Glidden Graphic," and the Summer Reading Program's Blank Park Zoo visit were all paid for with this money #1 Without Direct State Aid, I cannot afford to present shows/programs for the Summer Reading Program. #2 Since the Heritage Company has gone out of business, the Advantage Company is doing our microfilming -- a cost that I did not budget for, so Direct

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			State Aid helped in paying for partial cost of the service.
Gowrie	\$ 850.21	Library Materials and Supplies	Audio books, DVDs, supplies for story hour, books, office supplies, a computer chair, and a Blank Park Zoo program were all paid for with Direct State Aid. I was able to split the kids up by age for the Summer Reading Program this year, and in doing so, the older kids had cool crafts that I feel kept them coming back week after week. I purchased the materials for those crafts with these funds. I had a total of 94 kids in that older group over the 5-week period. I also ended the Summer Reading Program with Blank Park Zoo coming to our library. The kids loved it!
Graettinger	\$ 578.37	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We purchased books for story time to go along with the Summer Reading Program "Dream Big." Guest speakers were brought in for these programs. We have had more children participate in the Summer Reading Program, and a lot of these children come on a weekly basis to check out books now.
Grafton	\$ 54.06	Library Materials and Supplies	We bought materials for the Summer Reading Program this year, so the kids had more activities to enjoy.
Grand Junction	\$ 804.04	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	This amount was used to purchase children's books and supplies to process books. This was used to purchase a TV to show movies to adults and children. Our library has a movie license and with the new TV it's working great. I used this amount to purchase prizes for the Summer Library Program, for both children and adults. Both programs have been well attended. I was able to have an adult program and use the TV. I have had 30 children for the Summer Library Program. Books are always a valuable item to use with children for the programs. And I have two librarians who are now certified thanks to this funding.
Granger	\$ 553.56	Furniture	The money was used to buy much needed additional shelving. This new shelving has allowed us to create a young adult section. This has allowed us to separate our young adult books from our juvenile books. As a result the teens are able to pick age appropriate books.
Greene	\$ 826.25	Personnel	Library service has improved in our community as a result of Direct State Aid because it assists the board in maintaining the library's schedule of fifty hours per week. This schedule provides many opportunities for our patrons to use our services.
Greenfield	\$ 933.82	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid paid for a Konica Minolta micro-film reader-printer. The Greenfield library houses all of the

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			written history and genealogical records for the county of Adair. Consequentially, large numbers of people in search of their family's history or someone searching for history of the town of Greenfield pass through our doors. In almost every case the micro-film reader is used. In fact, this is the second machine that we have purchased.
Grimes	\$ 1,783.49	Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	With Direct State Aid, we purchased Tumbleweed Press online database for children and a new panic bar for our door. We spent the balance of Direct State Aid to supplement the purchase of "Indiana Bones, Storyteller," a program for our Summer Reading Program. By using Direct State Aid Funds for the Door Latch, we did not have to take the money out of our acquisition file which would have meant less materials for the Library. We were able to purchase the "Tumbleweed Press" online database for children, which would simply not have happened. We were able to bring in a higher quality and different program than usual for one of our Summer Reading Programs. He was great. Thank you for helping us acquire a great and different storyteller!
Grinnell	\$ 1,881.95	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds supplemented collection development in our fiction and non-fiction large print collection.
Griswold	\$ 832.21	Technology and Equipment	We have expanded our technology area to include more computers, printers, a scanner, and copy machine. Updating technology is an ever-increasing need as we try to respond to our patrons requests for service.
Grundy Center	\$ 1,160.14	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We purchased Proquest, and Ancestry Program for our genealogy room. The Summer Reading Program is the largest program in our library and this money helps with the prizes, programs and refreshments.
Guthrie Center	\$ 993.89	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid was spent on 42 children's books and adult inspirational books. It also went toward hiring an independent contractor to assess some problems with our roof.
Guttenberg	\$ 980.37	Capital Improvements	With these funds, the library was able to improve the handicapped accessibility to the library building. New sidewalks and handicapped ramps were installed to meet ADA requirements. All library patrons, including anyone who is handicapped, may access the library better and more safely because of the sidewalk and ramp improvements.
Hamburg	\$ 566.25	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for WILBOR downloadable subscription fees. With downloadable e-books and audiobooks, our small library can offer more materials to

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			our patrons. E-books take up less space; library shelves are not needed to store them. Patrons can download e-books 24 hours a day, every day of the year, from the comfort of their own home.
Hampton	\$ 1,617.21	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements	Part of this funding was used to buy children's books and women's bathroom improvements. It also helped pay for training to help our librarians deliver effective customer service in their programs with children and their parents. The program also taught the librarians how to relate books and activities in their storytimes and toddlertime to early literacy skills.
Hanlontown	\$ 753.09	Library Materials and Supplies	Rental books and rental audio books were purchased with these funds. The funding we receive through this program helps us to keep current and purchase new and popular books, audio and DVDs for our Library.
Harcourt	\$ 745.70	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This money helped to purchase books, audio books, and DVDs, in addition to computers and Internet access.
Harlan	\$ 1,474.51	Library Materials and Supplies	We allocated the Direct State Aid to young adult materials to support the creation and retention of literacy skills. The books purchased increased the number of patrons served in this category, and helped draw in additional young men, our most underserved. Because of the Direct State Aid, we were able to provide additional non-fiction and fiction books. These books will remain in circulation for long after the funding year has passed. Among the subjects were job-seeking advice, financial prudence, and household repair.
Harpers Ferry	NE		
Hartley	\$ 884.06	Other	Digitalizing our newspapers and putting them on-line through our website was accomplished with this money. Patrons now have access to all the newspapers in our collection by going to our website to do research, look up genealogy or just browse the papers. They can do this in the comfort of their homes or wherever they may be.
Havelock	NE		
Hawarden	\$ 1,120.22	Library Materials and Supplies	Our dollars were used toward a leased compact disk book program. Because of the decrease in funding, we were unable to fund the entire program from Enrich Iowa/Direct State Aid as in previous years. Our leased CD program continues to be a very popular program in our library. People who travel love them. We are able to turn around our collection through leasing also.

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Hawkeye	\$ 720.89	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Without this funding, we wouldn't be able to keep up our computer support or our on-line card catalog. We have many families who don't have their own computers and rely heavily on ours. Also, we put some of the funding toward our Summer Reading Program. It helped to purchase books and reading incentives.
Hedrick	\$ 757.03	Library Programs; Other	Direct State Aid helped pay for many things: Supplies for the Summer Reading Program and a storage box to hold them, new books for the Summer Reading Program, as well as prize drawings and a clown entertainer. We also purchased Halloween books, chili, hot dogs, and drinks for trick or treaters. We were also able to purchase gifts for the volunteer teachers who help so much during the year. We have a program during National Library Week to honor our volunteers, along with a program of interest to the community. The money we receive from Direct State Aid helps this small library tremendously with our Summer Reading Program activities. We also buy new release books for our winter reading drawings to encourage leisure reading during the school year.
Hiawatha	\$ 1,939.08	Personnel	We use our Direct State Aid toward paying for library hours on Sundays during the school year.
Hillsboro	NE		
Holstein	\$ 842.61	Library Materials and Supplies	Using Direct State Aid money we purchased new books and DVDs.
Hopkinton	NE		
Hospers	\$ 605.67	Technology and Equipment	We purchased a new computer for the public to use.
Hubbard	NE		
Hudson	\$ 1,026.92	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs; Other	These funds helped us purchase electronic games, DVDs, a Nook e-book reader, a movie license, and a new coffee maker. The money used to purchase DVDs was to start a circulating collection of TV series, something our patrons have been requesting. The coffee maker and supplies have allowed us to provide "coffee on demand" for our patrons. The Nook e-reader was purchased mainly for staff training, but also so our patrons can try out an e-reader.
Hull	\$ 770.91	Library Programs	Direct State Aid helped purchase adult Summer Reading Program prizes: Each year our adult Summer Reading Program grows in the number of people participating. Giving prizes just for signing up has been a positive part of the program and one that our library users/program participants enjoy. This year, State funding impacts our

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			community because it allows us to do more for our library users than we could without it. Without this funding we would not be able to offer a prize to any adult that signs up for adult summer reading. This funding allows us to make our Summer Library Program better for everyone and helps generate interest in it now and when it occurs again in the future.
Humboldt	\$ 1,420.25	Library Materials and Supplies;	We used this funding to purchase adult audio-visual materials..
Humeston	\$ 480.19	Technology and Equipment	The library's server that runs our catalog and circulation software died during the year. The bill for parts and labor to get the server running again was just over \$500 so the entire amount of the Direct State Aid was used towards this unexpected expense.
Huxley	\$ 1,132.57	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased new books with these funds.
Ida Grove	\$ 948.10	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid allowed us to buy new books and DVDs.
Independence	\$ 1,647.93	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid funding helped us increase our collection of e-books through Overdrive and the NEIBORS consortia. E-books that were on our patrons' waiting lists were primarily purchased to shorten the waiting time for our patrons to receive their books.
Indianola	\$ 2,897.82	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Furniture	After our old paperback book rack literally fell apart, we ordered a nice, sturdy one which we now use to display our teen paperbacks. Much nicer! We purchased an iPad, Nook, and Kindle to use in training staff on new technology and for use in programs with the public. This has been so successful. Now anyone on our staff can help people when they come in with questions. We purchased a table and high office-style chair. This table now gives staff a place to work at our front desk which creates a more welcoming atmosphere. With the purchase of e-readers, we were able to help a variety of people as they worked their way through the e-reader process. Rather than dreading those questions and immediately looking for someone else to help them, all of the staff is able to react with confidence and provide much better customer service.
Inwood	\$ 839.35	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We used Direct State Aid for children's DVDs and were able to provide wireless service for our library.
Ionia	\$ 756.66	Personnel	A year ago we were able to add a "back-up" person and



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			the Direct State Aid goes to her salary.
Iowa City	\$11,900.26	Other	These funds paid for architectural services fees. Following up on the recommendations of the facilities study plan, an architect was hired to design some changes to the library layout and functionality.
Iowa Falls	\$ 1,438.75	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Direct State Aid paid for supplies for the seed library. We paid a stipend to someone for their collection of seeds to get our "seed library" started. We needed extra funding for processing materials and displaying the collection. And we added significantly to our general garden. Money was also used for a teen program. We purchased supplies, incentives, t-shirts and got age appropriate programming. We got new lighting for the display cases in the library. We have nice display cases but the lighting has been problematic in the past. So the funding of new lights and installation helped us draw more attention to the various display cases and the collections inside. The Seed Library, as one unique project, was another way to get non-traditional users to consider the local library. The idea of the library circulating "seeds" was novel and brought many people to the library to find out more. We issued new cards as a result. We also worked with a local food group in the area and thus supported each other in our efforts. We felt this was truly a "green" project in every sense of the word. One of our staff was also interviewed on Iowa Public Radio on a program about some unique library collections.
Irwin	NE		
Jamaica	NE		
Janesville	\$ 923.10	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for the purchase of new books.
Jefferson	\$ 1,310.63	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We used this money to buy a series of educational DVDs, e-reader (Kindle Fire), Wii games, WILBOR subscription, instructor's fee for eight computer classes. Some people have taken our computer classes to improve or learn new skills for their jobs. Use of WILBOR e-books and audiobooks has increased over the past two years at our library. The library now has its own e-reader device so the staff can learn how to use this new technology and then be able to demonstrate its use to the public. The children continue to enjoy having the Wii, so it's great to be able to add new games for them. The children tend to use the Wii after school and in the summer, when they need a little "down time" in a safe, cool (or warm) place. The

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			educational DVD series are about new travel, reminiscence, and history. They are for everyone's use, but will be promoted especially to our assisted living, retirement, and long-term care facilities for use in their activities with their residents.
Jesup	\$ 1,068.58	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We bought a variety of both fiction and non-fiction elementary and middle school books for \$1002.00 to help our collection. We purchased our yearly contract with Overdrive for e-books and audio downloads with the Direct State Aid money this year because my budget has been cut so severely. We purchased a movie license with the help of these funds. We show movies on early-out days from school. We have "Monday Movies for the Mature" one Monday a month. We always have good crowds and with our own popcorn popper we make popcorn.
Jewell	\$ 882.37	Furniture	These funds added additional shelving in our children's department. The shelf space in our children's department was very tight; there was limited space for adding to this part of our collection. After the additional shelving was installed, the community enjoyed the visual display of books, without having the books packed in so tightly in the shelves. We have received positive feedback from our community from the added shelves in this department.
Johnston	\$ 3,227.25	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid enabled us to initiate an OverDrive Advantage account for additional e-books for our residents. In addition, it allowed us to initiate a Freegal account for downloadable music. As part of the addition of Freegal, we were required to invest in a SIP2 license to authenticate our downloadable music users against our integrated library system. Direct State Aid funds were used to supplement the cost of this purchase. The use of downloadable e-books by our library users has increased sharply this past fiscal year. Offering titles specifically for our users through OverDrive Advantage should make certain popular titles more available to them. We have been interested in downloadable music for the past few years and felt that FY12 was a good time to invest in this service for Johnston cardholders.
Joice	\$ 752.60	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased the NEIBORS/Overdrive Program for our library and spent the remaining money on new children's books. Without this money we would not have been able to purchase the Neibors/Overdrive program.
Kalona	\$ 1,238.07	Technology and	Direct State Aid helped us to upgrade and maintain the

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		Equipment	technology in the library. Unexpected upgrades needed to be done on some of the equipment and systems in the library, in addition to the regular maintenance. Direct State Aid helped us pay for this. Keeping up with technology gets more expensive every year, and the community expects us to keep up. This money helps us with our funding for technology, and the community has shown support for this by their increased usage of the library computers, Wi-Fi, digital materials and everything else that goes into running a library today.
Kanawha	\$ 799.73	Library Materials and Supplies	The Kanawha Library purchased junior non-fiction titles with this money. Our long range goals include increasing the children's collection, and we moved toward accomplishing this goal with this major purchase. Children are now able to have current non-fiction titles that appeal to topics of the present. We have seen increased usage of the library by children.
Kensett	\$ 535.36	Library Materials and Supplies	We used these funds to update the easy and Juvenile fiction sections with new books.
Keokuk	\$ 2,077.85	Technology and Equipment	We used Direct State Aid to buy three wireless people counters, with one data controller, and server software to keep statistics of patron visits and trends. With wireless people counters the library will be able to get a complete picture of how many people use the library for our statistics. With wireless counters on the front and back entryway doors, we will finally know how many people attend meetings and programs in two of our meeting rooms when those patrons enter and exit without entering the main library. Statistics will be more accurate, even down to the half hour, which could help our case for funding, and help the library board make decisions about library hours. It will also shorten closing procedures, because information will be sent to a computer and staff will no longer have to write down numbers from the counters at the end of the day.
Keosauqua	\$ 531.06	Capital Improvements	We used Direct State Aid to remodel our outside landscaping; i.e. plants, bushes, mulch, fertilizer, weed killer, etc. The landscaping makes the library as attractive on the outside as it is on the inside. People see what you've done on the outside and come in to compliment you on it, and then when they walk in you hear how beautiful it is on the inside as well and how much different it is than when they were younger and came to the library....then they pick up a book, maybe get a new

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			library card and check the book out (when they haven't been in the library for over 10 years!!) I say that's an accomplishment!
Keota	\$ 778.32	Library Programs	We use the funding from Direct State Aid toward our Summer Reading Program every year. We are a very small community and it is sometimes hard to stretch a dollar. The money we receive from the state helps to purchase books, craft supplies, prizes and incentives. Without the help from the state we would have a very difficult time providing the crafts, snacks, rewards, etc. for our summer programming. We appreciate it so much. Thank you.
Keystone	\$ 750.74	Library Materials and Supplies	We started an Advantage Collection through Overdrive using these funds. This will let us start our own small e-book collection of direct interest to our patrons available through the NEIBORS program. This will help us better serve the people using e-readers and make more titles available to them.
Kimballton	NE		
Kingsley	\$ 630.46	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid went toward supplies for crafts and an entertainer for the Summer Library Program. If we didn't get this money we wouldn't be able to hire someone extra for entertainment and hire someone to help with the Summer Reading Program.
Klemme	\$ 787.39	Technology and Equipment	We purchased three new computers for the public to use with these funds. Thank you!
Knoxville	\$ 1,719.83	Technology and Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	We had to replace some of the equipment for technology such as the power strip on the children's OPAC, and several of the modems and routers for faster Internet accessibility using these funds. We have a little money in the budget for technology and unexpected breakdowns. We replaced eight of the computer chairs for public use. The old chairs dated back to 1967. This year marked the 100th anniversary of the library, so we wanted to offer more programs for adults, as well as children and teens. We used the funds to have authors and presenters at the library. We spent money on advertising, printing and publishing for our big celebration of the library's 100th anniversary. The half-page advertisement reached several thousands of households in Marion County. We also printed booklets to promote our expansion project. We feel that our 100th year anniversary was successful. It also launched a capital campaign for an expansion project, so we felt that promotion of library services and programs was appropriate.

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La Porte City	\$ 994.86	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	<p>This money was used to buy new books for children and youth. The NEIBORS (North Eastern Iowa Bridge to Online Resource Sharing) program was installed and implemented on our library website. Bookmarks, posters, and craft supplies for reading programs and special activity days for children were produced. Because of the new NEIBORS program availability on our website, our patrons can check out e-books, audiobooks, download software, and load music on to iPods and MP3 devices without having to come into the library. These loadable selections mean patrons are able to checkout an even wider selection of books, at no cost, than our small library can offer, and do it from other locations at any time of the day or night. This makes using the library more convenient for individuals who may not be able to get into the library during regular hours, or come to the library because of a handicap or illness. And because of the increasing popularity and use of electronics the library is keeping up with current technology and the requirements of patrons in our community. One goal of the library is to encourage children at an early age to participate in and enjoy reading. Having a wide variety of new books for children and youth on hand keeps them interested and engaged in the activity of reading. Whether they read for learning or pleasure their levels of comprehension and understanding are developed. Enjoyment of reading at a young age also promotes family time, since young children need an older individual to read to them. Later, children become more independent as they learn to read on their own. These new books available at the library, along with the promotion of reading, will help children develop in many important ways.</p>
Lacona	\$ 496.05	Personnel	<p>We used Direct State Aid to pay my salary during the transition from previous director to me, which went as smoothly as possible when she was able to train me on the job in the basics. The PLM1 class (transportation, etc. also paid for with these funds) taught me a lot more and is the first half of the training I need to be certified (a job requirement) as a public library director.</p>
Lake City	\$ 1,022.71	Library Materials and Supplies	<p>We used this money to buy large print books. With an aging population, Lake City has a real need for special collections and services that meet this demographic. More and more people are requesting large print books, making it the most used segment of our collection. We</p>

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			also deliver books to the local care center twice each month.
Lake Mills	\$ 996.84	Capital Improvements	We used this money as our 25% of the cost of remodeling our restrooms. The rest of the money came from grants.
Lake Park	\$ 830.14	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent the money on books to support the Summer Reading Program. Also some of the older people have wanted more audio books, so we purchased about 45 of those from another library.
Lake View	\$ 864.11	Personnel; Technology and Equipment	The entire amount received was again used to help pay our technology lady who keeps our computers virus free and is available whenever we have a computer issue. Her yearly pay is higher than the amount received from Direct State Aid.
Lakota	\$ 746.04	Personnel; Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid was used for a copy machine lease. It was a tremendous help. People really depend on this service. I was also able to attend some valuable training.
Lamoni	\$ 939.96	Technology and Equipment	Annual hosting fee for Follett Destiny library management system was paid for with Direct State Aid. The very old server that self-hosted our very old library management system software crashed in the spring of 2011, after our budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year had been set. With the new, hosted system, library staff spend less time maintaining the server and software and running backups, and thus have more time available to help patrons. Our new system allowed us to put the library catalog on our website, making library materials more accessible to the community.
Lamont	NE		
Lansing	\$ 834.39	Library Materials and Supplies	\$389.91 was spent on our subscription to the NEIBORS program so our patrons can download audio books \$449.48 was spent on magazine subscriptions. Because of this state aid we were able to continue with the NEIBORS program and order a good selection of magazines for our library.
Larchwood	\$ 591.63	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent this money on audio and paperback books. There has been more interest from men and young men coming to the library in reading Westerns or listening to Western audiobooks. Many men check out audiobooks to listen to in their trucks, tractors, and combines. They really appreciate it whenever we have new books for them to listen to.
Laurel	NE		
Laurens	\$ 856.26	Capital Improvements	This money paid for the new cement pad on which our new bike rack (which was purchased as a project by our

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			Library Foundation) was placed. This has greatly improved building accessibility during our busy summer months - especially during the Summer Reading Program!
Lawler	\$ 765.35	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for books for all ages. An indirect result of purchasing more children's books is that they have brought more kids into my library. Thus, when I recently applied for a Libri Foundation Grant, I was able to use those increased numbers of children in my application. They want to see that you have an active youth department, and you can't have that without good reading material. Yes, we did receive the grant.
Le Claire	\$ 1,112.61	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	FY12 Direct State Aid funding was instrumental in supporting library services at LeClaire Community Library in the areas of public access services, acquisition of library materials, children's programming and technology. Direct State Aid funds provided financial assistance in 1) the replacement of a 10-year-old copier which provides local public access to residents who do not own personal computers or have access to business machines to copy/scan personal business documents; 2) the acquisition of thematic library materials for year-round children's story time programs, which support the library's efforts in encouraging library use and a love of reading in our youngest patrons; 3) obtaining necessary program supplies to support year-round children's story time activities, which encourages creativity & supports the library's early childhood reading program objectives (reading, socialization, joy & fun!!); 4) the renewal of virus protection software licenses for the library's public access computers, which are largely inoperable without up-to-date protection software.
Le Grand	\$ 806.05	Capital Improvements	We used Direct State Aid money to pay for one-fifth the cost of replacing our 32-year-old furnace and air conditioner. This will save the library a considerable amount of money in energy efficiency.
Le Mars	\$ 1,999.94	Technology and Equipment	We purchased two new patron computers with Direct State Aid.
Ledyard	\$ 292.62	Library Materials and Supplies; Furniture	We purchased 4 audio books for \$75.91 with this money. The library also purchased four guest chairs.
Lehigh	\$ 772.51	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We used this money to buy extra children's books and to purchase Summer Reading Program craft and activity supplies. It also went to pay staff for extra hours during fundraisers and Summer Reading Program.

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Lenox	\$ 837.40	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State aid was spent on new books.
Leon	\$ 614.49	Personnel; Library Programs	Direct State Aid went towards personnel and our Summer Library Program. Having the funding to continue the employment of a high school youth who was originally hired with local funding was a big help to us. His speed and technological expertise were assets in plugging him into areas where we needed extra help. He was fundamental to helping us move the work of the library forward. I would definitely be interested in employing a youth again. The funds also support our Summer Reading Program expenses which was extremely helpful in freeing up other funds to put towards a new sidewalk for the building. The sidewalk is a great addition to the facility and aids in the general appearance and functionality of our building.
Letts	\$ 744.36	Personnel	This amount was spent on salaries for our extend hours.
Lewis	\$ 514.99	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	This money went towards purchasing Children Choice Award books and was applied toward a new computer. The funds also helped pay for our Summer Library Program. Our computers receive a lot of use and we were very glad to be able to have the funding to apply toward a new one.
Lime Springs	\$ 781.19	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	These funds were used to purchase toner for the HP Color Laserjet printer. The funds were also used to purchase a maintenance agreement for the copy machine. The toner is very expensive and the maintenance agreement needed to be renewed. Our copy machine and colored printer is used daily. Our library appreciates the money we receive from Direct State Aid.
Linden	\$ 462.92	Library Materials and Supplies	This money was spent for new children's and adult books.
Linn Grove	\$ 267.59	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid went towards Christian fiction, mystery, and children's books. Patrons have been visiting more often since there is now a lot of new reading material.
Lisbon	\$ 1,044.13	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	NEIBORS online audio and e-book subscription via Iowa Library Services was paid for with Direct State Aid. We also bought Tumble-books' online children's stories and games and a computer network rebuild to replace Wi-Fi.
Little Rock	\$ 515.65	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We bought books and book covers, and prizes and crafts with this money. Without this funding our Summer Reading Program would really go downhill. I believe the better the prize, the more the child strives for it by



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			reading more. The money also paid for transportation to take Public Library Management classes.
Livermore	\$ 757.31	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for work supplies, bulletin board supplies, a maintenance agreement on the copier, anti-virus programs for computers, books and crafts for the Summer Reading Program and postage to return books borrowed for our book club.
Logan	\$ 866.40	Library Materials and Supplies	Half of these funds were spent on large print books and half on audio books. Once again we are able to provide more for our ever increasing population of patrons who need large print or audio books to listen to.
Lohrville	\$ 789.90	Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	This money went towards large print books, a new EXIT sign, an electrician to update the outdoor lighting, a new banner displaying the library's name on the side of the building, and 10 copies of "Language of Flowers" for our bookclub. We have loaned them to five libraries after purchasing them. Lohrville is a small community so the library plays an important role. Our elementary school closed in May. The library needs to fill some of the loss, so we have expanded our book collection in the children's and young adult sections. We also host a coffee club for retirees. The funding from the state helps us pay for additional needs.
Lost Nation	\$ 478.15	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased children's and young adult books for our Summer Reading Program. Program numbers increased and more young patrons finished the program which I believe is due to new reading material. The library is easier to manage after my Public Library Management class training. Funds were used for transportation.
Lowden	\$ 791.39	Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	We bought Transaction Tracker for our automation system. We also upgraded our content server and paid for the EBSCOhost database for patron use. We were able to get the carpet cleaned and pay for Summer Reading Program supplies for crafts.
Lu Verne	\$ 783.70	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for new children's books and reading program supplies and the Summer Library Program. Because of this funding, we can run a better program which keeps kids interested in reading.
Lynnville	\$ 422.13	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for new books, magazines, DVDs, audio books, office supplies, and cleaning supplies. As we all know, every little bit helps in the library world. The state funding paid expenses for all of our outreach programs except the puppets. The kids really enjoyed our snacks, activities, crafts, and books that were purchased

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			for these activities. It is appreciated so much.
Lytton	\$ 533.96	Library Materials and Supplies	With this money we were able to buy new books and CDs. We are a very small library with limited income. The Direct State Aid means we can buy more books and CDs for our Patrons.
Madrid	\$ 1,047.84	Technology and Equipment	We were able to upgrade two computers with these funds.
Mallard	NE		
Malvern	\$ 811.39	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We used this money to fund our movie night twice a month for six months, mostly during fall and spring and a few during the summer. We purchased five new movies for these events. We purchased popcorn and punch and invited the entire city. The worst night we had 60 people come to our movie. On the best night we had 145 people come and some had to stand due to the lack of chairs.
Manchester	\$ 1,460.45	Technology and Equipment	This money purchased one patron catalog computer and the partial cost of a second. We converted to a new automation system this year and we purchased the patron catalog computers at the time of the conversion. When we re-opened with the new system, we were able to have these catalog computers ready for the public to use. Our automation system has great patron features and the patrons love using the new catalog computers to access them.
Manilla	NE		
Manly	\$ 913.30	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent the entire amount of Direct State Aid on books. Our book budget has decreased over the last few years because we have had to spend on other necessary areas such as increases in utilities, dues, training, and salaries. Our patrons are thrilled as we add more books to our collection. Our patrons are always interested in the latest books, so we have been able to satisfy most of their needs and wants by putting this money towards books. The library is a valuable service and information center in our community.
Manning	\$ 613.53	Library Materials and Supplies	The money we received went directly towards the purchase of new books.
Manson	\$ 1,018.20	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We used Direct State Aid for our WILBOR subscription, subscription services for firewall protection and MARC Wizard access. We use the Direct State Aid funds to subscribe to services that make our library a better place. WILBOR is seeing an increased use at our library and provides another format for users to get e-books. We joined the consortium when e-books became available

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			since that is what our patrons were requesting. We continue to promote this service and see an increased number of users. We feel we are doing the very best we can to offer a safe and secure computer and Internet environment for our users with the additional firewall protection we subscribe to. We subscribe to a MARC record service that is one of the acceptable ones for submitting records to SILO as well as providing us with easy access to records for additions to our collection.
Mapleton	\$ 825.33	Library Materials and Supplies	The money was spent on DVDs and audio books. DVDs and audio books are among the most popular circulating items in our library. We have not been able to keep up with the demand, especially DVDs. As a result, we've been able to offer our patrons a larger selection of items.
Maquoketa	\$ 1,563.37	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	With these funds we increased the collection of audiobooks, large print books and DVDs. We also purchased a cart and large screen monitor. We have increased our audio-visual services by about 44% with 900 more visits this month than last month. We get so many compliments on the quality of offerings!
Marathon	\$ 714.28	Library Materials and Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for new computer chairs and a program with the Blank Park Zoo from Des Moines.
Marble Rock	\$ 747.89	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	This money helped us buy new books, a printer, a copier, a fax scanner and supplies, and items for the Summer Library Program.
Marcus	\$ 825.35	Library Materials and Supplies; Furniture; Other	This amount went toward the book budget. It helped purchase hard copies of regular and large print books. We also used these funds toward built-in drawers for storage of DVD discs. We joined the WILBOR consortium this spring to get e-books and spent \$500 to cover our set-up fee.
Marengo	\$ 759.82	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	we were able to buy more audio books and books for young adults with these funds. We were able to offer more quality programs for adults and our Summer Reading Program.
Marion	\$ 5,784.70	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	The partial cost of Learning Express database was paid for with this money, as well as the EnvisionWare print management suite. The acquisition of the print management suite allowed us to provide much more

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			convenient self-service driven printing from our public Internet access computers. Patrons appreciated the efficiency of the system and it freed information services staff to provide service to other patrons. The remaining funds allowed us to cover a budget gap in our database line and provide Learning Express, a service whose need is clear given current economic conditions.
Marshalltown	\$ 4,362.40	Personnel	All Direct State Aid money continues to be spent on part-time staff, allowing us to maintain the number of hours the library is open for accreditation. This money greatly helps to staff our library.
Martelle	\$ 497.10	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid allowed us to purchase new books.
Mason City	\$ 4,660.78	Personnel	We need this funding because it allows us to safely and adequately staff the children's department. We are able to staff the circulation desk at all times, while offering programs and patron assistance. Our children's department is large and it requires many hours of shelving, collection development, program planning, decorating, program implementation and public relations work.
Massena	\$ 509.66	Personnel	It is certainly nice after over nine years for the library director to receive a little funding to help with the over-priced health insurance that is necessary.
Maxwell	NE		
Maynard	\$ 729.82	Technology and Equipment	We used our Direct State Aid towards our new automation software. With the funding and new automation software, we are able to have our card catalog online. Our patrons are able to reserve material and search our catalog from any Internet location.
McGregor	\$ 968.68	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased books for children, both fiction and non-fiction, with Direct State Aid funds. We are a small library and every amount makes a difference in what we can provide. New children's books is the area where we can make the most impact in our community.
Mechanicsville	\$ 857.98	Library Materials and Supplies	Books were purchased with these funds.
Mediapolis	\$ 1,025.04	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent this money on additional DVDs. We started a Blu-ray collection.
Melbourne	\$ 776.40	Technology and Equipment	We were able to use this money to help us renew and partially pay for our subscriptions with Follett Software and Marc on Demand. Due to our continued budget cuts, this funding helps us pay for the software that is needed to run our library effectively and efficiently.

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Melcher-Dallas	\$ 291.70	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies	We hadn't purchased videos for quite awhile. It was very nice to get some new ones thanks to these funds. The funds were also used to allow the director to attend Public Library Management classes.
Melvin	NE		
Menlo	\$ 747.58	Personnel	The Direct State Aid we received was used to supplement the budget so that we can have an assistant eight hours a week.
Merrill	NE		
Meservey	\$ 503.00	Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	With Direct State Aid we purchased a new wireless printer so all of the computers in the library can print from it. Before, the old printer was hooked up to one printer and when patrons wanted to print a document, they had to switch to the computer that was hooked up to the printer. We also rented a carpet cleaner and purchased shampoo to clean our carpet before a town celebration and an open house. We also had to purchase a new dehumidifier. We hired a balloon artist and a caricature artist for one of our library programs. We are a very small Library and every bit of funding we get helps us pay our bills or offer new programs. When unexpected things come up or when we try to do something extra for the community, we have to look for outside help. Thank you for any previous funding and the funding we may receive in the future. We are striving to keep our little "gem" of a library open in Meservey.
Milford	\$ 1,098.34	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	These funds paid for six Samsung 21.5 LED monitors and a variety of prizes for the Summer Reading Program. The state funding allowed us to improve some of our technology that was in great need of upgrading.
Millersburg	NE		
Milo	\$ 771.31	Technology and Equipment	All Direct State Aid money was used for a new laptop computer. We use this computer for automation update and for public access. Having this computer so that two people can work at once on automation is making the process much faster.
Milton	NE		
Minburn	\$ 484.61	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the Direct State Aid money for our subscription to Junior Library Guild and WILBOR downloadable audio and e-books. We would not be able to offer as many children's books without the help of state aid. Our subscription to Junior Library Guild is our main source of materials for our children ages 3-18. We have quite a number of children in our community and circulation for

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			this age range has been growing steadily, so being able to offer them new books each month is a huge asset. With these funds we are also able to offer our small community the newest in reader technology with our subscription to WILBOR. Our library would not have been able to afford this type of service otherwise. With the help of Direct State Aid we are able to keep our library relevant in today's ever growing technology world.
Mingo	NE		
Missouri Valley	NE		
Mitchellville	\$ 971.79	Library Materials and Supplies	Books, book jackets, barcodes, labels, DVD movies, and audio books were all paid for with this money. We have been able to provide new released movies, audio books for sight-impaired patrons and continue to provide "Annie's Attic" books to a very dedicated group of patrons.
Modale	NE		
Mondamin	\$ 485.48	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid was used to purchase books.
Monona	\$ 934.92	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for popular magazine subscriptions: NEIBORS and EBSCOhost. NEIBORS has provided the library another opportunity to serve the public, and possibly a different set of people than was being served before. Many have shared with me how grateful they are for this service. Magazines are very popular as an in-library circulation and out-of-library circulation. With reduced funding, using Direct State Aid to fund this helps the large number that read magazines.
Monroe	\$ 890.42	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for children's and young adult books, and magazine subscriptions.
Montezuma	\$ 623.33	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	These funds helped us purchase new books and Deep freeze software for public access computers. We were also able to afford a visit from the Blank Park Zoo and to purchase incentives for our Summer Reading Program.
Monticello	\$ 1,216.14	Technology and Equipment	This money helped us buy a new lap top, Tech Soup subscription, Content Cafe, and a bar code scanner. We were able to use this funding to help with our new automation system. Patrons are now able to renew their own books and also reserve a book. They are notified three days prior to books being due. These are small things but it saves the patrons' time.
Montrose	\$ 283.97	Technology and Equipment	The money went towards a new fax machine and supplies for computers.

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Moorhead	NE		
Moravia	\$ 742.27	Technology and Equipment	The library updated their cataloging system from Athena to Destiny with this money. We also purchased two new scanners. With Destiny on our web site, it makes it possible for in-state and out-of-state people to view our holdings. This also lets us advertise our programs and services.
Morley	\$ 268.82	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased more DVDs for our collection. That seems to be what circulates the best in our Library so we try to keep up on the new ones that come out. That is what our patrons are requesting the most.
Morning Sun	\$ 812.85	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We purchased Faronics software, paid for the increase of our printer maintenance contract, and also paid for our first year of joining the WILBOR consortium. Money was also spent on additional craft supplies and snacks for our after school program. Joining WILBOR adds to the service we can offer our community by enabling our patrons to download e-books at their convenience. Our after school program gives the children in our community a fun and a safe place to come.
Moulton	\$ 748.17	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This money was spent on new books and Marc Wizard.
Mount Ayr	NE		
Mount Pleasant	\$ 1,908.84	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid was used to buy new adult books, a microfilm reader/printer/scanner, and movie licensing to improve programs for teens and children. We have been able to hold family movie days for all ages and are able to provide up-to-date microfilm needs for our genealogy/local history patrons.
Mount Vernon	\$ 1,332.02	Library Materials and Supplies	We bought new DVD cases for our entire collection. Many years ago we had a rash of DVD thefts. To curb this, we changed the way that we shelved our DVD collection putting the empty cases on the shelves and storing the actual DVDs behind the desk. Fast forward to current times. We were out of room and the system we had in place was actually damaging the DVDs over time due to excessive handling. We had to make a change. To undertake such an extensive project is costly and one can not be done in fits and starts. Direct State Aid enabled us to take this project on, change our system and provide a better and more efficient way to package and present our collection to the public.

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Moville	NE		
Murray	NE		
Muscatine	\$ 3,122.59	Technology and Equipment	We put all our Direct State Aid towards the \$16,975 cost of our new website ( <a href="http://www.musserpubliclibrary.org">www.musserpubliclibrary.org</a> ). Our old website was difficult to use and few people bothered. The new site is much more user friendly and our statistics are increasing every month. For example, in May of 2011 we had 3,400 visits to our website while in May of 2012 we had 8,640 visitors to the new site. We now have a mobile site that is fully integrated with our catalog. Our site is more media rich and contains much more information than the old one. We have even posted some of our local history indices and made them searchable online. We are trying to provide more services remotely and the community seems appreciative of this. We had trouble scraping together the money for the website and without this funding it would not have been nearly as nice or as interactive.
Nashua	\$ 941.17	Library Materials and Supplies	This money went towards purchasing the 2012-13 Iowa Children's Choice Award books and the 2012-13 Iowa Goldfinch Award books. This money allows our library to continue purchasing these award-winning books for the library's young readers!
Nevada	\$ 1,780.22	Technology and Equipment	We purchased an AWE computer station called Afterschool Edge. It is for children 8 and up. We have many children using it, especially since school is out for the summer. The software is interactive and educational. We had an Early Learning Station from the same company that was for children 3-10 which was used all of the time, even by children too old for the games. We used our Direct State Aid to get a station for the older kids.
New Albin	NE		
New Hampton	\$ 1,216.38	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We purchased large print books for general public and book discussions, a barcode scanner, a disk cleaner, and a wireless device for Iowa Workforce's computer. We try to always purchase large print materials for our book discussions. This allows everyone to participate.
New Hartford	\$ 511.22	Library Materials and Supplies	We were able to buy new books.
New London	\$ 675.28	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid paid for Drobo FS 2 - TB hard drive back-ups for our server and network. This is behind the scenes improvement for library services with an efficient back up system for the server and network.
New Market	NE		



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New Sharon	NE		
New Virginia	\$ 743.89	Other	Our Direct State Aid funds were spent to defray the cost of joining WILBOR. The Library is able to provide e-book and audiobook downloads because the state provided this money. This is a service that our budget would not support without help. WILBOR service will keep us current in the technology field.
Newell	\$ 795.39	Technology and Equipment	All of the local newspaper archives were transferred to digital access from old microfilm using these funds. Our patrons are now able to access old copies from the late 1800's-on via the computer. Previously, because our film viewer was not repairable, our patrons had to take the film (at the risk of loss) and travel to a neighboring library to scan the old films. It was an expense and risk the library and patrons did not find convenient at all. The Direct State Aid funding allowed us to pursue the digitization project by cutting the cost by about 1/5. Now we have seen an increase in genealogy requests and interest in the newspapers for personal research by at least 10 fold over the microfilm.
Newhall	\$ 783.37	Personnel	We continue to use this money to help maintain our extended hours.
Newton	\$ 3,025.78	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We are in the process of replacing our more popular videos with DVDs, and Direct State Aid money is helping us accomplish that goal. We used the bulk of our Direct State Aid for the base subscription to the EBSCOhost database and to add the AutoRepair Reference Center and Novelist databases for our readers.
Nora Springs	\$ 905.56	Personnel	Direct State Aid pays for a custodian.
North English	\$ 861.35	Library Materials and Supplies	Children's books, CDs, current titles and best sellers for the adult collection were all purchased with Direct State Aid. Again we spent some of the money for our children's program and also some of the money went to purchase new children's books as well as adult titles on CDs that we would have had a hard time providing our patrons.
North Liberty	\$ 2,545.79	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the funds to help purchase a database from Recorded Books called One Click Digital. This is a database of downloadable audios. We purchased the databases for adults, teens and children.
Northwood	\$ 681.17	Library Materials and Supplies	Audio books and large print books were purchased with this money. We are able to meet the ever increasing demand of our patrons who can no longer read regular print or just prefer the large print or the ability to listen to books on CD. Thank you so much.

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Norwalk	\$ 1,904.99	Library Materials and Supplies	We increased our adult programming over the last year and therefore used the Direct State Aid to purchase the materials and supplies needed for these programs, including growing our Novel Year Book Club. We are able to purchase all of the books. The extra funding allows us to provide more programs and events for our library users, helping us to become more of a community center.
Norway	NE		
Oakland	\$ 988.48	Library Programs	With this money we purchased prizes to be given to our Summer Reading Program participants. It continues to bring new families into the library.
Ocheyedan	\$ 528.06	Library Materials and Supplies	Additions to the adult fiction, easy reader collection and DVDs were bought with these funds, which we could not otherwise afford on our limited budget.
Odebolt	\$ 847.73	Personnel	The director is paid \$12.24 per hour and thus it paid for 69 1/4 hours of work. Our doors are open on Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. Prior to receiving this money there was no morning hours. This has worked out well because the morning preschool comes each week and our local physician's assistant is only at the doctor's office on Wednesdays, so the elderly patrons stop at the library after getting blood drawn at the office.
Oelwein	\$ 609.60	Technology and Equipment	Our Direct State Aid money went towards purchasing a replacement server. Without our server, our patron computers would not run efficiently.
Ogden	NE		
Olin	\$ 796.64	Technology and Equipment	Our computers were in bad need of replacement, so these funds went towards purchasing two "all in one" computers.
Onawa	\$ 1,085.79	Technology and Equipment	We purchased a new barcode scanner from Book Systems using Direct State Aid. Our other one didn't want to work any more when we upgraded the computer. We purchased a refurbished typewriter from Office Systems because ours was completely unrepairable. I hate to sound cliché, but we really have come to rely on some kind of funding that we can use at our discretion. We truly hope to make an impact on how essential our library is to our community and continue to provide quality service to our patrons.
Orange City	\$ 1,588.24	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid went towards new computers to enhance the early learning center in the children's room.
Orient	\$ 254.36	Library Materials and Supplies	We used this money for a subscription to large print books. I select the desired books and they are shipped to

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			us at a discounted price. Large print books are in great demand at our library.
Osage	\$ 1,321.11	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	The money went towards buying 20,000 14-digit barcodes, one receipt printer and one barcode scanner.
Osceola	\$ 1,302.89	Technology and Equipment	The money was used to help with a new server, computer and computer consultant.
Oskaloosa	\$ 2,461.41	Library Materials and Supplies	We expanded the large print collection with this money.
Ossian	\$ 833.74	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	Direct State Aid went towards increasing the number of large print books in the Library. The money also was used to help maintain an audio book lease plan and for crafts for the Summer Reading Program. We pay staff to run five weeks of the Teen Summer Reading Program.
Ottumwa	\$ 2,677.05	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the Direct State Aid money on WILBOR this past year. We joined at the beginning of the fiscal year 2011-2012 and therefore had our renewal due in June, 2012 at the end of the fiscal year. We paid \$1,417 to join and \$2,552 to remain. By providing a WILBOR subscription to our community we are able to open up a new world of downloadable e-books and audio books to our patrons. We are so pleased that people are using this service and are happy with the small amount, in the grand scheme of things, that this program costs us. Without Direct State Aid we likely would not have risked joining.
Oxford	\$ 290.14	Library Materials and Supplies	We spent this money on the children's collection, adding new titles before the Summer Reading Program started. This year we focused on easy beginning chapter books with some picture books. Next year I hope to use it to add additional titles to our non-fiction collection. The children's collection has been undergoing a reorganization and we really noticed a lot of the easy beginning chapter books were worn and dated. This has really spruced up the area and allowed us to replace some that were really past the point of needing to go.
Oxford Junction	\$ 771.00	Capital Improvements	Direct State Aid went towards updating the lighting in the back room and caulking some of the major cracks in the outer bricks. The lighting was considered "antique" by our electrician. With the new lights you can see so much better. When the rain came in from the north it would leak through the brick and trickle down through our windows.

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Palmer	\$ 261.86	Technology and Equipment	This year we used our funds to help purchase a much needed new computer for our patrons to use. Our other computers are very out dated and freeze up all the time. We are still in need of several more computers but this one is getting used every day. This funding goes along way to helping our library provide books, Internet, and other various programs to our community. The amount of money we received is not nearly enough to cover the increasing cost. All amounts are greatly appreciated and used towards all aspects of running and funding the library.
Panora	\$ 888.04	Technology and Equipment	This money was used for a new computer at one of our work stations.
Parkersburg	\$ 920.18	Capital Improvements	We have completed our library renovation/expansion project as of April 2012. We used the money we received to help pay for changes and additions that were made to the construction project. Because of the increase in construction costs we had to exclude the loft from the project, which was one of our focal points. Direct State Aid helped make the difference in moving forward with putting the loft back into our plans.
Paton	\$ 715.78	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies	We spent this money on new books and DVDs. Direct State Aid is the only budget we have for adult books and DVDs. Without the money, we wouldn't have either. I was paid for some of my mileage and fees for Public Library Management classes and PLOW classes using Direct State Aid.
Paullina	\$ 805.87	Library Materials and Supplies	Many of our patrons have e-readers and are very happy to have access to e-books through our subscription to WILBOR, which was paid for with this money. Patrons are also enjoying the access to audio books to download to MP3 players.
Pella	\$ 2,165.91	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid paid for e-books and downloadable audio books. It also helped pay part of an installment payment on the server we share with the Central College library. We have seen huge increases in the use of downloadable audio books and e-books. We would not have the funding for this service without Direct State Aid.
Perry	\$ 1,728.83	Technology and Equipment	We were able to buy two computers and two monitors. Our library has 31 computers. We have a five-year retirement system in place for these computers. Just in the last year, more and more patrons are coming into the library for our public access computers and Wi-Fi. In order to maintain quality computer services to our patrons, we

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			must have machines that are reliable and in peak condition because of the use they receive. We are also experimenting in lending out laptops for patron use in the library. One of the 22" monitors that was purchased with the Direct State Aid is used as an electronic bulletin board which announces programs, city news, other city department news, and general library information (hours). This is an effort to cut down on flyers on the front desk and be more helpful on a city-wide, inter-department basis.
Peterson	\$ 491.47	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We bought new books, and also used the money for Summer Reading Program promotion, supplies and snacks. With this funding we are able to have a Summer Reading Program and to pay staff to assist with it.
Plainfield	\$ 783.02	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid helped us buy new books and videos.
Pleasant Hill	\$ 1,973.43	Technology and Equipment	The money we receive is important in providing better computer access for our patrons. Internet access is improved by having more up-to date-computers which provide a faster connection. Updated software including Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint also provide better service to our library patrons.
Pleasantville	NE		
Plover	\$ 253.56	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	This money was used for children's books, to help purchase a new computer and a set of speakers for the public to use, and for the Summer Reading Program, adult programs, and monthly kids programs. The money helped in many ways to set up programs than we have never tried before. We also paid for extra staff for the Summer Library Program.
Pocahontas	\$ 926.76	Library Programs	The funding has been spent on adult and children's programs. It is used to bring in speakers, purchase crafts and supplies, and to help defray the cost of the Summer Reading Program for both adults and children. This quality programming to our community would not have been possible without Direct State Aid.
Polk City	\$ 1,160.70	Technology and Equipment	We spent Direct State Aid for web hosting.
Pomeroy	\$ 574.35	Library Materials and Supplies	Pomeroy has an aging population and more and more of our readers require large print reading materials. We also have a growing number of patrons who like to read Christian material (inspired fiction). We were able to purchase 23 hard cover, large print books and over \$200.00 worth of inspired reading - both fiction and non-

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			fiction titles. It is so nice to get these materials in the hands of our patrons and we have several patrons that now visit our library from out-of-town to use our library because they appreciate our selection.
Postville	\$ 1,041.14	Library Materials and Supplies	This money was spent on audio books. We have many people who drive out/into Postville for work. They stop at the library for audio books. We try to get the best sellers and keep them up-to-date.
Prairie City	\$ 305.90	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	This money was used to help offset the cost of our participation in the WILBOR program. Our patrons love it. The funds were used to supplement the Summer Reading Program and was used to help pay the fees for our programs. This year we had the Blank Park Zoo, Rick Eugene the Magician, Sparkle HoopDance and the Des Moines Astronomical Society. The kids in the community really look forward to our Summer Reading Programs. Being a small town, the city offers some recreational programs during the summer, but the library programs are well attended and enjoyed, as well.
Prescott	NE		
Preston	\$ 848.17	Library Materials and Supplies	With Direct State Aid, we added materials like audio, DVDs, and books to the collection. The city is currently looking at money saving measures and the library has been its primary source to cut. It has been viewed as a luxury and not a necessity. Having the extra funds has helped to supplement in this area of loss.
Primghar	\$ 787.21	Library Materials and Supplies	We used our funds to purchase new books and DVDs for our children, young adults and adults. This money allows us to purchase more quality materials for our collection.
Quimby	\$ 493.28	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements	Direct State Aid paid for new books, magazine subscriptions, audio books, computers and a new library sign.
Radcliffe	\$ 791.37	Furniture	This year the amount received was used to purchase four saucer chairs for the video viewing/reading area. The size is suitable for our preschool story group; and fitting also for our young adults. The library has been used to offer movies and treats on Friday afternoons during the summer, and with the addition of the new chairs, new interest in the program has taken place. With the high temperatures, the air conditioning and pleasant surroundings, the library is a popular place to visit each

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			afternoon.
Rake	NE		
Randolph	NE		
Readlyn	\$ 851.50	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Other	We were able to purchase Deep Freeze X 5, Microsoft Office 2010 X , a paper shredder, a discounted LG 42" TV, and expenditures for the parade float. These "extras" would not have been possible without the help of the Direct State Aid program. Thank you for all you do!
Red Oak	\$ 1,466.99	Other	With Direct State Aid, we hired a consultant to set up and produce an electronic survey, a hard copy survey, a paper survey, tallies of the survey after it was completed and several computer changes to our website, including links to the surveys. We have been wanting the community's opinions and suggestions, especially since our construction project. We value what the public thinks and use their suggestions to provide them with the services they want. We wanted a survey we could use and update over the years to help with our accreditation process.
Redfield	\$ 547.01	Furniture	We used this money for new shelving to replace some that is falling apart.
Reinbeck	\$ 988.98	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid went towards a wireless computer and the Summer Library Program. We had Mike Anderson, the Dulcimer Guy – a new experience for our kids, who learned a lot about musical instruments. The program was very well received by the reading program participants. I have had requests to have him back. The wireless computer for staff is faster than the previous one, and does not take up as much room, freeing up much needed counter space.
Rembrandt	\$ 489.81	Personnel	Because of this money, we are open Saturday which is helpful to our patrons who cannot get to the library during the week. A lot of our Saturday visitors need the computers and also check out materials.
Remsen	\$ 633.67	Library Materials	This funding allows us to purchase large print books.
Renwick	\$ 740.12	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We bought a lap top for the library with Direct State Aid. We have six story time programs through out the year and we use the money for projects. We also had a special Summer Reading Program and bought supplies for that also. We are able to do more fun things for the kids around the holidays and can do more for the Summer Reading Program because of these funds.
Riceville	\$ 860.33	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	A majority of this money was spent to build our junior fiction collection. We are constantly trying to increase the circulation and popularity of those books. Money was

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			also spent to increase our adult fiction collection as well. In an effort to give the youth of our community a place to go on early-out school days, we have started a movie once a month. The money has been put towards those, too. The money given to the library through Direct State Aid helps with our collection development as well as creating programs for our youth and adults. By providing these funds we are able to reach out to our community.
Richland	\$ 740.58	Library Materials and Supplies	New books for our adult, teen and juvenile collections and movies were bought with this money. We were better able to meet the reading and viewing demands of our patrons. With tight budgets, we aren't always able to fulfill the patron's requests for library books and movies. This helped us purchase more requested items.
Ringsted	\$ 481.37	Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	These funds were put towards a new water heater, new computer chair mats, and the Summer Library Program. We were also able to buy a new vacuum, hold a Christmas Open House, and advertise our "Lights of Love" Memorial Tree which served as a fund raiser for the library.
Rippey	NE		
Rock Rapids	\$ 745.22	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	With these funds we purchased new audio books and pay for computer service.
Rock Valley	\$ 1,223.93	Furniture	We purchased a table and eight chairs.
Rockford	\$ 825.15	Technology and Equipment	This money helped to purchase three new computers for public use. Without this money, we would have still been trying to figure out how to replace our old public computers. We had sought a private grant but were only partially funded. Direct State Aid allowed us to provide the public with newer and faster computers.
Rockwell	\$ 928.12	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid helped us buy a new computer to replace one that was 8 years old and quit working. We have many children that use our computers, especially after school.
Rockwell City	\$ 1,020.28	Library Materials and Supplies	This year the Rockwell City Public Library decided to use our Direct State Aid money to purchase children's books. We wanted to update our children's non-fiction section -- especially our state and science books. The children's non-fiction section is very popular with our patrons and is used often, but many of our books are old and some are outdated. The combination of our new purchases along with some gentle weeding, improved the look and use of this section immediately. We are very happy with the increase in our circulation of these materials.



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Roland	\$ 915.76	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid paid for our subscription to WILBOR and the purchase of new DVDs.
Rolfe	\$ 758.33	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Other	These funds were used for a variety of things, including a library address stamp, mailing tape, an "Iowa History" magazine subscription, two copies of Microsoft Office, two copies of antivirus for two months for two new computers, two surge protectors and 10 pair of computer headphones. Our facility is used by all manner of groups. But in the nine years in this location, the carpet had never been cleaned. We negotiated with a local contractor who not only made us look respectable again, but donated Scotch guarding. The funds were also put toward staff time for an unexpected meeting requiring our attendance for a planned grant application which ultimately resulted in receiving the grant to purchase a new staff computer and a new laptop. Although we budgeted the promised 25% matching funds for this grant, we did not have money for the software and surge protectors. In addition, our original computer headphones were no longer repairable, so we invested in extras of a less expensive model.
Rowan	\$ 776.57	Library Materials and Supplies	With this money we were able to buy new books, audio books, DVDs and processing supplies.
Royal	NE		
Rudd	\$ 529.08	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid was put towards books and magazines. This extra funding allows us to offer a larger variety of books, movies, and magazines for the community, which is important since there is no other place in our town to get them.
Runnells	\$ 211.56	Library Programs	We would not be able to have a Summer Library Program without this money. The program introduces young children to reading by using incentives (prizes) for how much they read. They also get to do book-related crafts.
Ruthven	\$ 790.50	Technology and Equipment	This money was used to buy one uninterruptible power supply and six public access computer management software licenses. The library was able to purchase a UPS (back-up power supply) for our server after the old machine's battery quit. We were also able to purchase management software for our new public access computers that enable remote administration and allow automatic updating. We are a very small library and do not employ an IT professional, so this software is very essential to the administration of the library's computers and part of our preventative maintenance program to

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			avoid having to pay for the expense of a visit from an IT professional.
Sabula	\$ 765.72	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds were used to buy new books and DVDs.
Sac City	\$ 1,000.94	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	The balance of our Direct State Aid was spent with our book wholesaler, Baker & Taylor for books in the amount of \$35.64. The majority of our Direct State Aid funds were earmarked for technology and equipment including subscription fees for our electronic databases and a new wireless router and antivirus protection license fees for staff computers. The money also went towards FY2012 WILBOR Consortium fees. With the Direct State Aid that was received this year by the Sac City Library, we were able to continue participating in the WILBOR Consortium and offer our patrons access to EBSCOhost. This year we were also able to protect library equipment by replacing a bad Internet router and upgrade the anti-virus protection on staff computers to ensure the continued safe operation of our library catalog that patrons can access both inside and outside the library. The impact these purchases had on our library this year was critical. Without support from the State, small libraries like Sac City have to rely on a budget that is increasingly spread too thin and programs and services have to be cut if we can't find outside sources for support. Thank you for continuing to see the value that libraries provide to communities in Iowa.
Salem	\$ 737.38	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds were used to purchase Hooked on Phonics so we can offer help with reading. We also purchased more early reader books.
Sanborn	\$ 850.04	Technology and Equipment	With this money we bought a Nook, a Kindle and the rest we applied towards a new check-out computer. We are working towards getting e-books for the library so we felt it would be great to have a Nook & Kindle so that we can help people use them. It will also help as we begin the process of getting e-books in the library. We also had to purchase a new computer for checking out books.
Schaller	\$ 572.91	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Furniture	This money goes to our "Books for Babies" program where we welcome newborns to the town and library. We also used the money for one new computer and monitor and the Deep Freeze system to guard public computers. We needed a new, big table for meetings, homework, etc. Someone donated a big kitchen table but no chairs, so we ordered six (and got a great deal) from

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			Staples. The table and chairs are so nice and we're not having to glue the chairs back together every month!
Schleswig	NE		
Scranton	\$ 754.56	Personnel; Technology and Equipment; Furniture	We used this money to pay fees for the WILBOR consortium and purchased two rotor stands for children's DVDs. This funding also allowed us to train our new employee. She has improved the programs for the children and youth of the community.
Sergeant Bluff	NE		
Seymour	NE		
Sheffield	\$ 960.79	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We purchased audio books---we had really let this collection slip, so were able to beef it up a little with the extra money given through Direct State Aid. Money also went towards a barcode scanner and the Summer Reading Program. It is easy for me to see the impact this funding has in improving our community. We always host the Summer Reading Program, so the funds we receive truly help us reach out to kids during the summer months. We are able to provide crafts, special programs, and books that can be used to help us with the theme. The other area is in our audio book selection. We were able to purchase audio books for a lagging collection. Since our elderly population is a growing demographic, large print and audio books are in high demand here. Direct State Aid helps fill in the gaps in these areas. We were also in need of another barcode scanner since we went to the new TLC software in the Beacon Project.
Sheldon	\$ 1,330.37	Furniture	We bought two book kiosks for the children's section of the library. That was made possible by a combination of Direct State Aid funds and memorial money from two families. We have had a similar kiosk in the adult section of the library for several years and our patrons really appreciate it. We have also had positive comments on the new displays for children.
Shell Rock	\$ 847.32	Capital Improvements	We had a magazine rack built with the money. It actually cost over \$1000, which is more than we received, but were able to get another donation for the rest of the cost. Without this funding, we wouldn't be able to make improvements as we just did. There is no money in the budget for any thing like shelving, so this money helped tremendously.
Shellsburg	\$ 808.89	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased new books, movies, audio books, and office and children's supplies. With this money we were able to increase our book and movie collection, keeping it

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			current. With budget cuts becoming a regular thing, any assistance is greatly appreciated. We have begun phasing out our VCR collection and trying to replace them with DVDs.
Shenandoah	\$ 1,348.07	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Other	From Tumbleweed Press, we purchased TumbleReadables. We replaced dusty, construction-weary CPUs. We had monthly ads in the local paper and on local cable with pictures of the construction progress.
Sibley	\$ 723.38	Library Materials and Supplies	We feel very fortunate to have the Direct State Aid money to help fund our leasing agreement for audio books. Landmark Audio Books was recently purchased by TEI and our pricing may increase so it is even more important to have this funding to be able to continue providing our current level of service to our patrons.
Sidney	\$ 821.82	Furniture; Library Programs	This money was used for a young adult bookcase to complete shelving of those books, and for Summer Reading Program supplies.
Sigourney	\$ 899.23	Technology and Equipment	The Direct State Aid money was spent on a new and up-to-date automation system. With many of our current patrons using online services or their mobile devices for just about everything, we felt that by upgrading our automation system, this would better serve our patrons and possibly encourage new ones.
Silver City	\$ 262.33	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds went toward work supplies (printer drum, etc.), and junior and adult fiction books and DVDs. Our library is very small, serving a community of about 100 homes. Some of our young readers have read all of our junior fiction books, and expanding that section is a top priority. We also added classic titles to both adult and youth sections, since we had almost none in the collection by authors such as Hawthorne, Wells, Bronte, Dickens, Melville, Wilde, Stoker, and Dostoyevsky.
Sioux Center	\$ 1,720.76	Technology and Equipment	We purchased a laptop for library use with additional monitor and Office Pro and two additional wireless access points. We were thrilled to have our access points in place when RAGBRAI came through this past weekend. We heard over and over how we accommodated all of the riders' needs. We have seen less Internet problems here as well - computers dropping, people not being able to connect. When people can come in and find what they need easily, that is key to keeping them coming back. Technology is at the forefront right now and we want to make sure we are too! Thank you for helping us

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			accomplish this.
Sioux City	\$11,130.43	Technology and Equipment	Direct State Aid went towards a Dell power edge R610 server with tape backup, installation of network components on the Library's recently enhanced network, and VMware integration within the storage attached network. Sioux City Public Library often uses the Direct State Aid funding for technology enhancements to serve Sioux Cityans. With an extensive renovation to our Aalfs Main Library building during the year, including upgrades to the network systems, we were able to leverage the state aid this fiscal year to complete network upgrades and be able to efficiently maintain the enhanced virtual network.
Sioux Rapids	\$ 534.26	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	This money was spent for books and DVDs for adults and children. We also bought two cases of copy paper with this money. It was a great help to us. In addition, this money was spent on our Summer Reading Program for books, incentives and craft supplies. This is such a great help to us with all the funding cuts going on now. It enables us to do a little more for the children and get them excited about the library, reading and all the things we have to offer. As we are getting busier and busier, this money helps so much. Our programs are getting larger every year.
Slater	\$ 846.75	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We were able to purchase books for all ages, as well as add to our children's audio collection. We purchased a receipt printer for our work-room computer. We were able to get a large parachute and music CD to use during our children's programming. The funding we received from the state has allowed us to improve the way we serve our community and especially those patrons who attend our programming. Our programming has grown over the last year and one way we have been able to serve people better is to install a second receipt printer in our workroom, allowing us to check-out to patrons on two computers at a time. This helps speed along the process and shortens waiting time. We were also very excited to purchase a new parachute for our children's programming. This has been a big hit, and the kids look forward to it each time they come.
Sloan	\$ 546.27	Technology and Equipment	We purchased a new computer to replace our last Gates computer that was approximately 8-9 years old. The rest of the money was used to partially fund the upgrade to Microsoft 2010 Office Professional Suite purchased

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			through Tech Soup. Our patrons have really appreciated this new computer. They hesitated to even attempt to use the old one because it was so temperamental. Students did not like using it especially for their homework because it would shut down in the middle of an assignment. When our patrons come in to use the public computers, they no longer have to wait around for a "good" one. Each year we have replaced our computers with Direct State Aid money and appreciate how this has improved library service to our community.
Solon	\$ 1,610.67	Technology and Equipment	We have set aside this funding to use this coming year, in combination with possible state funds that will be received during the FY13 fiscal year. Our circulation software has to be updated and this will be large expense for us. We have 10 public computers and three work computers for the staff. The repair and upgrades needed for that equipment use the funds we have budgeted for equipment/technology each year in our annual budget. Our library has also grown so quickly over the last 10 years, that our city government has now set growth restrictions of 5-6% per year as we approach future budget cycles. These are just two reasons that make planning and setting aside funds for larger technology projects such a challenge. Thank you so much for the support that we receive through the state. You are helping us stay in step with the quality of service that larger communities can offer to their patrons.
Somers	NE		
South English	\$ 221.23	Library Materials and Supplies	This money was used for new books and DVDs. We have seen an increase in teen patronage since we made an effort to purchase young adult materials.
Spencer	\$ 2,175.08	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	These funds went for McNaughton (book rental contract), World Books Encyclopedias, children's and adult books, and DVDs. These funds allowed us to update our reference collection and increase our online web presence, making it easier to share our library's story with the community. It also permitted us to get get more bang for the buck in our book budget.
Spillville	\$ 747.62	Capital Improvements	In the last year we have needed to replace two toilets and a sink in the restrooms of the building. Since having working restrooms are vital areas, the money from the state was very helpful. The new toilets also allow for water savings since they use much less than the old ones did, helping to conserve a vital natural resource. With the

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			community center being a part of the library building, the restrooms tend to see heavy usage. A restroom is one of the most important things to have in a building besides the books in a library. There are several little children, as well as adults, that are very glad the restrooms are there.
Spirit Lake	\$ 1,467.26	Personnel	Our library has a huge, well-attended Summer Reading Program. In order to maintain it, we have to add extra staff to focus exclusively on the children's area during both the main Summer Reading Program and the extended Summer Reading Program. Local funding provides the building, books, and administration, our Friends group covers the materials used through donations and Direct State Aid helps with covering the staff needs. It's a great example of cooperative funding!
Springville	\$ 911.62	Library Materials and Supplies	The Springville Memorial Library chose to use the Direct State Aid money for books and library materials. Books on CD were purchased, as well as updating our classic collection and children's non-fiction. Receiving this funding is very important to our library. We are a small town library and struggle to make ends meet and still offer all we can to our patrons. This money goes to the good of the library and is appreciated by our patrons one and all.
St. Ansgar	\$ 949.41	Capital Improvements	Direct State Aid helped us replace windows in the library which cost \$2,906.71 in labor and miscellaneous supplies. Being able to reduce our utilities cost will be a big savings to the library that can be used to add to our collection.
St. Charles	\$ 562.07	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We acquired some young adult books to improve our collection with these funds. We used this amount to fix one of the computers and the printer. We use some of the money for our Summer Reading Program. This funding is really important and helpful to our library. It allows us to have better and more interesting programs and it also helps with resources to keep the staff and the computers updated.
Stacyville	\$ 838.84	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We were able to purchase books for the Battle of the Books program that our local school district participates in. Our school team did very well in the competition thanks to the availability of these books at our library. We replaced our patron bank of four computers (\$4,500 project) with grant funding, a bequest and \$496.00 from Direct State Aid. This enabled us to hire a high school employee to assist with the Summer Reading Program each week with prep work and the actual program time

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			during which we averaged 60+ attendees each week.
Stanhope	\$ 524.33	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for new DVDs, children's books, Internet security, a comfort bean bag chair for the teen area, and spring and summer programs. Not only did funding from the state help in implementing quality programs, but it was also instrumental in adding a few new items to our new library. The support and funding we receive from this great state of Iowa is necessary if we wish to continue to cultivate life-long learning and continue to enhance the quality of life for our entire community.
Stanton	\$ 752.45	Personnel; Library Programs; Other	The Summer Reading Program materials and items needed for our Apollo Automation System were paid for with this money. These funds also allow us to continue our extended library hours
Stanwood	\$ 755.34	Technology and Equipment	We used this money to update and purchase new computers for our library. We also worked on updating some of the software our library uses.
State Center	\$ 573.36	Library Materials and Supplies	Our library used the funds on new children's and young adult books.
Steamboat Rock	\$ 514.25	Furniture	We replaced chairs that had been in the library over 35 years. We appreciate the opportunity to use this money to purchase them.
Stockport	NE		
Storm Lake	\$ 2,128.75	Personnel; Technology and Equipment	We used this money to purchase a laptop to include in a laptop lab purchased in conjunction with a grant this year. With Direct State Aid, grant funds, and a little help from our Friends group, we were able to purchase a 12-laptop portable lab. We also use Direct State Aid to allow for a trustee to attend the Iowa Library Association Conference and we were also able to send a staff member to Public Library Management classes.
Story City	\$ 1,127.18	Capital Improvements;	Direct State Aid helped us upgrade the toilets in our building to commercial grade. The library is a second home to some families in our community, but we still maintain a relatively small staff, even though we are open seven days a week in the school year, and three evenings a week. One of the services we provide are our public restrooms, a necessity in every library. We don't think of this as a service connected to reading, but mothers and fathers alike bring very young children here when they might not stop in other public facilities, read to their



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			children, discover books, and have a comfortable, clean setting with adequate bathroom facilities.
Stratford	\$ 779.08	Capital Improvements	We replaced our 20-year-old carpet. Without this funding we wouldn't be able to make any improvements in our building. Every year we are able to replace or take on bigger projects that are beyond our budget to make sure we are able to serve the patrons.
Strawberry Point	\$ 896.84	Furniture; Other	We bought a Duplo Lego table for the children's area, a brightly colored rug, Duplo blocks, a large floor puzzle, two other block-type puzzles, and a puppet tree and puppets for the children's area. The children's corner is so much brighter and many children come in to play. There are more activities for them to do, and children that have never visited the library have now come in.
Stuart	\$ 947.97	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We used some of this money on computer maintenance to keep our public access computers up and running. We also spent funds for our Summer Library Programs for kids, a book discussion group, and adult programming. Having Direct State Aid funding guaranteed that we could hire a computer tech that would fix the more complex problems encountered by the public access computers. Because the computers are always in good working order, patrons are guaranteed access so they can apply for jobs, do research, read their e-mail, take proctored tests, and the various and sundry things patrons use computers and the Internet for.
Sully	\$ 915.48	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid went towards a new printer, mouse, sound bar and monitor. We also used it to pay our WILBOR e-book consortium fees. We also purchased a Kindle as a gift for our community Christmas open house. It was a huge success.
Sumner	\$ 1,041.13	Library Programs	The money was used to purchase a movie license to enable us to show movies at the library; flip cameras and battery packs to aid in programs; children's books to teach about the library and the proper care of books; and supplies for the Summer Reading Program. With the added funds from Direct State Aid we were able to provide more programming for our community. The Summer Reading Program was expanded to include lap readers/family reading as well as programs for adults. Without these added funds, we would not be able to provide all of the materials and services our community needs.
Sutherland	\$ 754.20	Library Materials	We purchased large print books, DVDs, books, and

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		and Supplies	periodicals that otherwise would have been impossible to buy.
Swaledale	\$ 704.73	Capital Improvements	We replaced two windows in the library with this money. Our large picture window had a crack in it that ran from top to bottom. The city council and the library board members and myself were concerned that the large pane of glass would fall out, possibly hurting someone. With the replacement of our two windows, our library is safer, more attractive and warmer place to visit. Without your funding we wouldn't be able to address the larger dollar issues that seem to hit us unannounced. When we have a year that doesn't involve unexpected expense, I'd love to use this funding for books and programs.
Swea City	\$ 794.00	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	This money was used to purchase DVDs for our collection and supplies for programming at the library. Our collection is now searchable online. The money was also used for mileage and staff time to visit libraries that are Dewey-less and to change our collection so it's easier to search.
Swisher	NE		
Tabor	\$ 563.61	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	We purchased Penworthy children's books. We are on an automatically yours list for adult books, but we don't get too many children's books because of budget restraints. We decided to put all this year's state funding toward children's books from the Penworthy company. We added some donated money plus Direct State Aid for the Summer Library Programs and bought some books for those programs. As our library is in the lowest percentile for the amount of funding we get from our city, this state aid funding is such a valuable asset to our community.
Tama	\$ 1,054.09	Technology and Equipment; Furniture	Direct State Aid went towards Tumble-books, our NEIBORS e-book consortium, a camera, software, and a No IP-Internet static address. We also got a multi-media cart, a projector and document camera (purchased with grant funds).
Terril	\$ 509.36	Furniture	The Direct State Aid money was used to buy replacement arms and reupholstering for four arm chairs. All the arm chairs in our meeting room needed to be reupholstered. The room is more pleasant to the eye now that the stained & broken chairs are repaired.
Thompson	\$ 560.81	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment;	Direct State Aid went towards new magazine subscriptions, seasonal crafting magazines, our NEIBORS e-book subscription, a digital camera, case and memory card, flash drives and a Kindle. We also bought new

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		Other	children's puzzles and toys for use in the library. Fiscal year 2012 was the first year that the library was eligible for Direct State Aid. The board of trustees felt one of the best ways to use the funding was joining NEIBORS. We have increased the patron count since doing so.
Thornton	\$ 541.35	Capitol Improvements	We purchased two oak bookcases from DEMCO for our library. Now we will be able to expand our collection of inspirational fiction.
Tiffin	\$ 599.44	Personnel	All this funding is spent to pay staff for extra hours.
Tipton	\$ 1,143.57	Capital Improvements	We installed two new windows and lowered the ceiling in the workroom to increase our energy efficiency using this money.
Titonka	\$ 784.54	Library Materials and Supplies; Furniture	Direct State Aid paid for new books on CD, books and children books. We also bought a new student computer desk, and a rug. Without this funding we would have not been able to serve some of the needs of our patrons. Thank you very much for the funding.
Toledo	\$ 976.25	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We purchased a Sentimental Productions DVD set, a county library association audio share annual payment, and a Baker and Taylor contract for audio books. It was also spent on Overdrive Renewal and EBSCOhost renewal. We are very fortunate at the Toledo Library to have a community that appreciates our library and its services. Everyone is grateful for the services and materials that we offer. The public knows that currently things are hard everywhere. We are, like many libraries and cities, facing some hard financial times. Materials budgets have been gradually cut, leaving us to be very careful and creative with our funding. When it comes to purchasing anything besides physical items, those tend to get put on the wish list. As a librarian, I realize that databases are a vital growing service to our community so our state funding is geared towards renewing our database subscriptions. It is nice for us as librarians to be able to say "yes" to a patron when they are requesting the use of a certain database. We want to provide the most current and helpful services to our community. When our Tama County Association purchases audio books as a group, they are rotated quarterly. Our patrons look forward to the audio exchange. Our library delivers outreach to local nursing homes and many of the items are the TCLA audio selections. Being able to purchase these extra audios helps greatly in getting new selections into the hands of

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			our outreach residents. Our Direct State Aid contributes greatly to the services and materials that the Toledo Library provides. Thank you!
Traer	\$ 909.73	Library Materials and Supplies	We used the money for children's books. We replaced some of the well worn children's books and we purchased books that will be used with the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program.
Tripoli	\$ 925.22	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements	With these funds we were able to add some additional books to our children's collection. We were able to use the remaining funds to help with the continuation of updating our aging lighting. I now have adults who enjoy staying longer at the library with the improved lighting. I also have the daycare children coming in and looking forward to checking out the new materials for them. With these funds we were able to pay staff who worked longer hours for National Library Week activities. We were also able to attend the E-Rate workshops and staff additional help for the Summer Reading Program.
Truro	\$ 781.07	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs; Other	We purchased new DVDs, toner for the copier, ink cartridges, typewriter ribbons, Summer Reading Program supplies, a movie license, a Wildlife Rehab Program, and a TV payment. We reached some children in the Summer Reading Program who do not come to the library on a regular basis.
Union	\$ 818.81	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	With Direct State Aid, we purchased large print books, updated computer programs for patron computers, a new adult wooden rocker and a lounge chair for the children's area. We also purchased craft items for the Summer Reading Program. Our library started an updating project in fall 2011. We never had an open space for the children's area, so it was created for parents to sit in the rocker and read to their little ones. The soft furniture piece is bright blue and welcomes preschoolers to relax while looking at their picture book! Large print books were purchased since this is a community of primarily retired folks. We also used this money for staff to take Public Library Management classes.
Urbandale	\$ 6,421.50	Technology and Equipment	We hired a firm to make additions and improvements to the library's website.
Ute	NE		
Van Horne	\$ 758.36	Library Materials and Supplies	DVDs, large print books, and children's books were purchased with Direct State Aid. We always have a shortfall in our budget for materials. More and more

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			patrons are requesting other formats than just books. As we try to keep up with the demand, it seems that prices for materials just keep increasing and more formats of materials are introduced. Being a small community, this funding is essential to us!!!
Van Meter	\$ 275.05	Other	The money we receive goes directly to our IPAIT account. Then it is used for either the budget balance or books. I always feel no matter the amount of the check, the impact is great. We have a small library at this time and this is a lot of money towards books if spent with the whole picture in mind. Thank You!
Varina	NE		
Ventura	\$ 825.16	Library Materials and Supplies	The money was used to increase our DVD collection. Being a very small town, a lot of patrons have commented on how they love the fact that we have movies to check out. Otherwise it's a commute to the bigger town. And of course the fact that they don't have to pay for them is a big plus.
Victor	\$ 842.88	Technology and Equipment	We purchased two new public computers. Our computers were extremely outdated and slow. We were able to replace two of them so that our patrons can now access sites that require more RAM and speed.
Villisca	\$ 836.25	Personnel; Capital Improvements	We received a grant to install replacement windows on the north side of the library. There were six windows replaced on the first floor of the library. The grant was for \$2,500.00 and it cost us \$2,840.00. This money helped pay the balance. The new windows have helped with our heating bill. Our air conditioner quit working for 4 days this summer, and it was nice to be able to open the windows. We couldn't get the old windows open. As far as the cleaning company we used this money for, it was impossible to clean the library with the amount of hours that our staff is paid. Just having the library get a good cleaning twice a month has made the library look more attractive.
Vinton	\$ 1,396.64	Library Materials	Using Direct State Aid money and a couple of donations, we were able to consider and implement a core collection of e-books for our patrons. While we belong to NEIBORS, an e-book consortium, so many of our patrons were having difficulty finding books to read it seemed good to purchase some. The money allowed us to provide a very necessary service to our patrons. Many people who received e-readers were not library patrons in the past. In order to better serve this group it was

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			decided that a collection of e-books exclusively for Vintonians, and rural patrons of Benton County would best serve this population. The Direct State Aid was a nice bit of seed money for the project.
Volga	\$ 473.99	Library Materials and Supplies; Library Programs	This amount was used for ink cartridges for printers and also for books on CD. We added quite a few of the Janet Evanovich books on CD this year because of this amount from Direct State Aid. I ordered items from Upstart for the "Dream Big READ" Summer Reading Program such as notepads, reading records, stickers, window clings, plastic drawstring bags, etc. The kids really enjoyed having these items and it would not have been possible to order without these funds. The last several years I have not been able to afford these extras for the Summer Reading Program. I decided this year I needed to use some of the Direct State Aid funds for this program. I am certainly glad that I did when I saw how excited the children were.
Wadena	\$ 247.99	Library Materials and Supplies	I spent my money buying new books for my children's and adult fiction sections. I was also able to build my audio and video library. Since we are always in need of supplies some money went for those. These new materials have really kept up the interest in the library, especially in the kids and young teens in town. They often come in and ask for certain authors and this money has helped me keep them coming through the doors. This has been a tough age group to get into the library and I feel that I am making progress.
Wall Lake	\$ 823.10	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We used Direct State Aid for the WILBOR e-books consortium and for audio books. We also purchased Deep Freeze Standard Edition for three computers and paid for the labor to clean up the computers and install it. We also purchased supplies for afterschool programs, and a movie License for one year. We were also able to purchase magnets to advertise the library hours and website.
Walnut	\$ 536.39	Library Materials and Supplies	We bought large print books. We serve a large number of elderly people who require large print books for ease of reading. This money enabled us to add large print books to our collection which our regular budget would not have covered. We are now able to offer a wider variety of large print materials.
Wapello	\$ 975.77	Capital Improvements	Direct State Aid funds were used toward remodeling of the library's front entrance. The project included replacing the sidewalk and adding a portico to the front entrance. The improvements to the front made the

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			library more accessible. The portico added an updated look to the library while offering patrons protection from the elements.
Washington	\$ 1,462.82	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We used this money toward our leased audio book collection. We also bought a new color HP printer for staff and public use. Our audio book users have been incredibly happy with our leased audio books program as they are able to read the newest bestsellers and we are not committed to storing them indefinitely.
Washta	\$ 709.33	Library Materials and Supplies; Other	Direct State Aid went towards new books, audio books, DVDs, office supplies, and a rug for the children's area. Without this funding, we would not have been able to make these purchase.
Waterloo	\$ 9,756.88	Personnel	Residents who are no longer capable of traveling to the library have collections brought to them. Whether or not they still have ties to friends or family in the community, they are given an opportunity to get together and talk about books, helping stimulate intellect, memories, and socialization. Our library provides funding for most of the materials used in the program. We purchase multiple copies of large-type books for the book discussion groups, and these sets are also listed on the state's multiple copies list and made available to other libraries. This money pays the for the staff to run the program.
Waterville	\$ 247.00	Library Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for book processing supplies, an outdoor banner listing library hours and our website address. It also paid for materials for a Christmas wreath workshop.
Waucoma	\$ 680.42	Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Direct State Aid paid for Internet access, a new color printer, and a good learning experience for our kids in the Summer Reading Program. The funding made a big difference for unemployed people this past year by enabling them to work on computers to look for another job.
Waukee	\$ 2,466.16	Library Materials and Supplies	We purchased new DVDs and CDs with this money.
Waukon	\$ 1,348.06	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	This money went towards new DVDs, one Simple Touch Nook, one Sony E-Reader, one Kindle, one power adapter, and an extended warranty. It also paid for two summer programs: Snakes Alive and Mad Science of Iowa which had positive educational value.
Waverly	\$ 2,197.32	Library Materials and Supplies;	Direct State Aid paid for books to go with Play-Away audio books for young people, replaced two old switches

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		Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	to improve reliability of our computer network, and a Halloween storytelling program for children. Over the years we have often spent Direct State Aid funds on computer equipment, and I believe having this stream of funding has helped us to stay on a steady replacement schedule and to begin to work these vital services (computers for the public) into a prominent place in our operating budget.
Webb	\$ 466.55	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	Books and supplies for children's programs and equipment were purchased with these funds. It enables us to do more for our patrons.
Webster City	\$ 1,786.11	Library Materials and Supplies	Kendall Young Library uses the Direct State Aid financial support to partially pay for the Baker & Taylor leasing service. The money makes it possible to order multiple copies of bestsellers through the lease program.
Wellman	\$ 944.89	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	We bought plastic tubs, heavy-duty DVD sleeves, labels and label protectors for a DVD reorganization project that includes History Channel, non-fiction DVD's for the collection. We also replaced the assistant director's computer.
Wellsburg	\$ 845.37	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	These funds helped us purchase meeting room supplies, a vacuum, children's furniture, a Summer Library Program reading speaker, and National Library Week activities.
Wesley	\$ 758.49	Library Materials and Supplies	With this money we bought junior fiction books, audio books, and large pring adult fiction books.
West Bend	\$ 837.47	Technology and Equipment	We used the money to help fund the purchase of new public use laptops. Were able to finish a technology upgrade which enables our patrons to use and become familiar with the latest computer operating system and software. This is an important skill to have in today's job market.
West Branch	\$ 1,011.61	Personnel	In 2008, the library elevated the youth librarian position to full time from a 25-hour per week position to account for increasing program attendance. Programming has become even more widely attended increasing approximately 300% over the past 4 years.
West Des Moines	\$ 7,911.62	Technology and Equipment	Due to the changeover in administration (Ray Vignovich retired as director, Darryl Eschete was hired to replace him), there appears to have been an oversight with Direct



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			State Aid not being spent by June 30th, 2012. However, the money will be used to pay a portion of the costs of a new integrated library system (purchased in fall, 2012), due to be installed and functional in early 2013.
West Liberty	\$ 1,194.61	Library Materials and Supplies	We use the money to supplement our Spanish collections. This allows use to purchase more materials than our budget would have allowed.
West Point	\$ 805.04	Technology and Equipment	We used these funds for a new Linksys Wireless N Router E1500, and AVG anti-virus for 10 computers for two years, plus labor.
West Union	\$ 1,011.80	Library Materials and Supplies	Direct State Aid money was spent on library materials for our patrons. They are enjoying new audio books and inspirational fiction books.
Westgate	\$ 466.18	Personnel; Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	This amount paid our expenses for the EBSCOHost database. This database allows us to extend our magazine and newspaper collection for a small amount and increase resources for our patrons. We also used \$299 to pay for our Mitinet subscription which allows us to get MARC records for our books that are uploaded into SILO to comply with interlibrary loan. And it also makes cards for books that do not come processed. Since we are not an automated library, this funding helps our library to maintain a clean MARC record for our books that are uploaded into SILO. Our funding also allows us to provide broader resources for the community and to keep the staff trained and current with what is needed to maintain a relevant and viable library for our patrons.
Westside	NE		
What Cheer	\$ 505.05	Library Materials and Supplies	Adult and children's non-fiction and fiction books, along with DVDs were purchased using this money.
Wheatland	\$ 748.95	Library Materials and Supplies	We are switching from VHS to DVD and this money was very important to help us do it. Every year we purchase the Children's Choice collection and recently we have added the Teen Choice collection. We inform the local school librarian when they are ready to be checked out. Our local school orders two sets of these, too. This is a huge help when the school children are reading for the Battle of the Books contest.
Whiting	\$ 755.15	Personnel	When Direct State Aid funds first became available, the Whiting Library used the money to increase library hours by four per week, making opening times consistent and responding to patron requests for additional hours. The budget was already stretched to the maximum, and Direct State Aid funds were the only means to

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			accommodate community needs. With drastic cuts in this funding, we have seen this amount shrink more each year. This year it covered less than half of the cost of those four extra hours per week. We are still committed to providing the best possible service to the community and maintaining those open hours, so it means we have to make major cuts in other areas of the budget. Patrons are so grateful for the additional hours open that we will do all that we can to keep them.
Whittemore	\$ 774.96	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment	Children's books were purchased that went along with the Summer Reading Program theme. This was used to purchase a much needed new office computer. Children always get excited when new books appear on the shelves
Williams	\$ 764.03	Library Materials and Supplies; Technology and Equipment; Library Programs	We focused on new bilingual board books and early readers. We also purchased large print books in adult fiction, and recommended young adult books. A portion of this amount was used for e-books for the library Kindle. This money helped provide Smart Shield security software for our network and helped fund the Summer Reading Program, providing craft materials, new books, and two programs. We had the Science Center of Iowa come, and a magician to entertain and amaze us at our finale, which was an overnight at the library. This money provided our library with things that otherwise would have had to wait for a grant or donation. Our network is secure, eliminating unwanted downloads by patrons and reducing the time our IT person spends on repairing the system, thus reducing the cost of maintaining the network.
Williamsburg	\$ 802.24	Library Materials and Supplies	We supplemented our materials budget with money from Direct State Aid. The materials budget is always the place where additional funds can be put to the best use in our library. Our patrons are always eager for new books - both print and audio. With the opening of our new building, the demand for materials has jumped. Our circulation has risen dramatically and we need to keep up with the demand.
Wilton	\$ 1,075.36	Technology and Equipment	Wilton has been upgrading our computer system. We used the money to purchase a new computer for the card catalog for patron use. Last year, we changed to a new circulation system - Apollo/Biblionix. Our patrons really like using the card catalog that goes with the program. The larger monitor with the computer also provides a

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			better quality list and pictures of the items in our catalog.
Winfield	\$ 586.89	Library Materials and Supplies	The money was spent on books, DVDs, and magazines.
Winterset	\$ 1,574.20	Technology and Equipment	We spent our Direct State Aid funds on two security cameras. We have struggled with behaviors in the library, and it is our mission to provide a safe and secure facility for the use of all residents of our community. The security cameras are one tool in our arsenal to keep the library as a serene atmosphere where everybody is welcome and safe. The cameras are helping us to monitor behavior in areas that are not visible from the librarian's desk, resulting in our ability to deal rapidly with problems. The Winterset Police Department has already resolved a couple of incidents using the cameras. Our well-behaved patrons have commented on the good job we have done in turning around the atmosphere in the library by coming down harder on the patrons who misbehave.
Winthrop	\$ 821.15	Library Materials and Supplies	We used this money to update some of our teen books.
Woden	\$ 733.91	Personnel; Library Programs; Other	Blank Park Zoo came to the library for a program for the children and games were bought for the teens for their Xbox Kinect and pizza party. Material for covering pipes in bathrooms was purchased. There was extra money and time to train a new assistant for the library.
Woodbine	\$ 580.37	Library Programs	Direct State Aid helped pay for our Summer Library Program. We were able to offer nicer prizes which appealed to the teens and older kids. We doubled the number who came to our program.
Woodward	\$ 820.62	Library Materials and Supplies	We chose to use the Direct State Aid on additional library books that we would otherwise not be able to offer the public.
Wyoming	\$ 542.76	Library Materials and Supplies	These funds were used to increase the library's large print collection.
Zearing	\$ 856.80	Personnel; Technology and Equipment; Capital Improvements; Other	Our Direct State Aid "Black Friday" purchases included a Kindle, Nook, and a Sony Reader. We use these as demonstration devices as we get further into our WILBOR e-book consortium. We also worked on the library's entrance. We paid for an internship for a Colo-NESCO senior. The intern worked as support staff creating Summer Reading Program activities.