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Enrich
Iowa:

State Funding for
Iowa Libraries

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Enrich Iowa: Overview

In accordance with 2003 IOWA ACTS Chapter 182 (5)(5)(b), the State Library of Iowa submits this status report on the uses and impact of state funding provided to Iowa libraries through the Enrich Iowa Program.

Enrich Iowa includes Open Access, Access Plus and Direct State Aid.

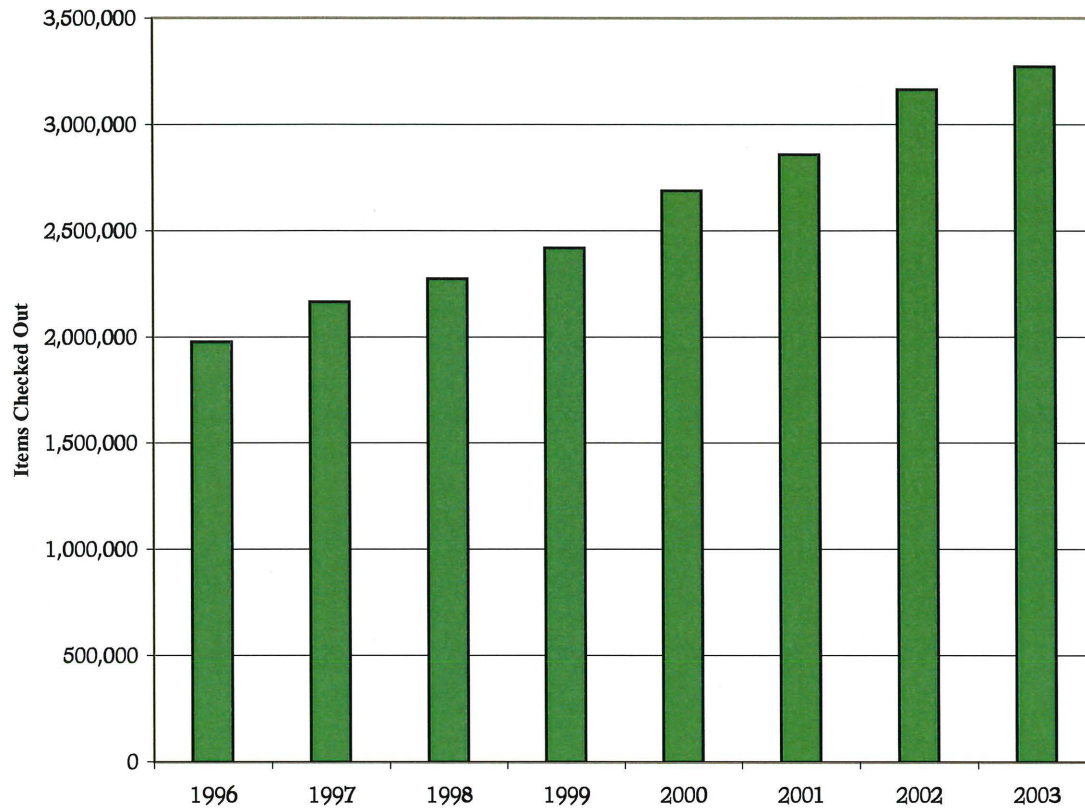
Open Access allows Iowans to walk into any participating library in the state and borrow books and other materials, with libraries being reimbursed a small portion of the expense involved. Iowans checked out 3,271,803 items from 591 libraries in FY2003.

Libraries are reimbursed a part of the cost of mailing materials to other libraries through **Access Plus**, which provides Iowans with equal access to library resources no matter where they live. The 606 participating libraries loaned 189,322 items in FY2003.

Direct State Aid helped 477 Iowa public libraries purchase needed books, supplies, computers and other necessities they could not otherwise provide their customers. The following report reflects the importance of these funds in promoting lifelong learning; providing safe, accessible buildings; improving Internet connections; and increasing library hours.

The Enrich Iowa program improves library services in Iowa. It gives Iowans access to all of our state's library resources and continues a longstanding tradition of public/private partnerships among all types of libraries in Iowa.

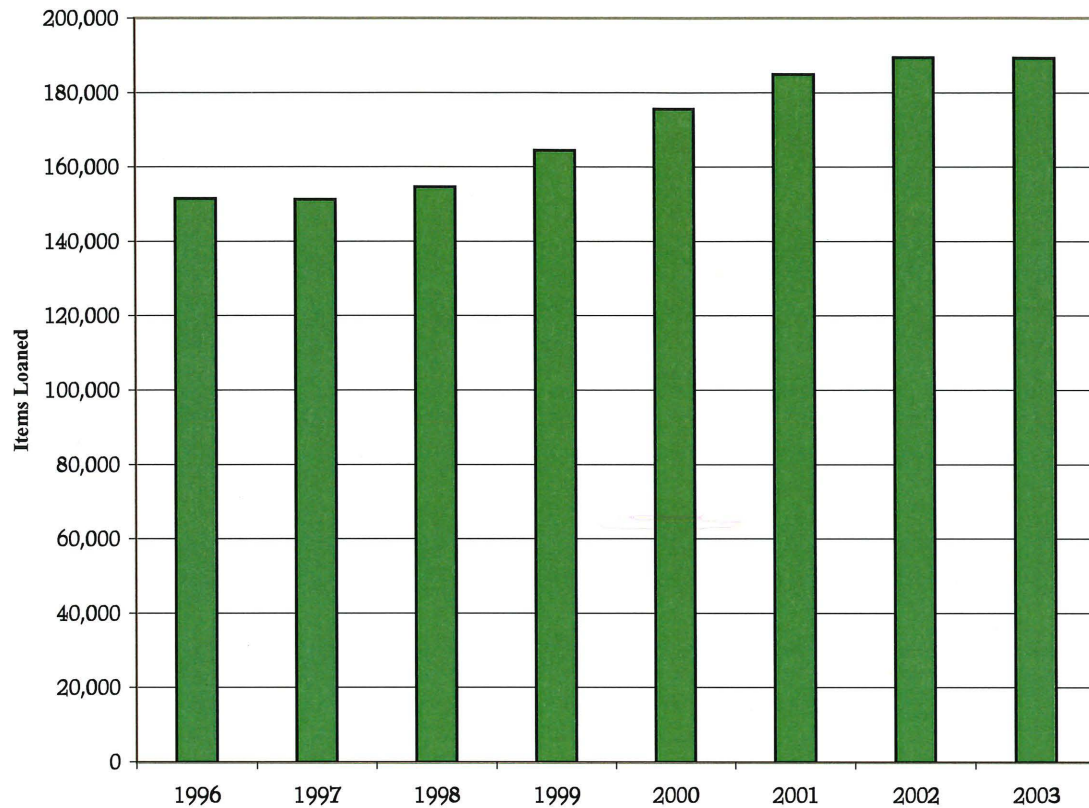
Open Access



Established in 1989, Open Access is the statewide library card program which permits library customers from one participating library to check out materials at other participating libraries.

Over the last eight years, the number of items checked out has increased 65.5% from 1,976,860 to 3,271,803.

Access Plus



Established in 1989, Access Plus provides Iowa citizens with equal access to library materials through resource sharing among libraries. Libraries borrow materials from other participating libraries to fill the requests of their customers.

Over the last eight years, the number of items loaned has increased 25% from 151,444 to 189,322.

Direct State Aid

Direct State Aid moves library services in Iowa closer to the statewide vision for library service:

"Each Iowan will have equal access to information and ideas in order to participate knowledgeably and productively in a democratic society and to lead an enriched life through lifelong learning."

Direct State Aid for public libraries was recommended by the Governor of Iowa and passed by the Iowa General Assembly in 1999. The program is designed to improve library service and reduce inequities in library services among communities; to enhance, not replace, local funding; and to encourage achievement of recognized and adopted public library standards (*In Service to Iowa: Public Library Measures of Quality*).

This money greatly helped our book budget. I purchased several new Iowa books and many other needed books. We are using part of the money for our Internet provider. Direct state aid has been an incredible boon to the Bode Public Library. How nice to be able to purchase extra books and have help paying for our Internet bills. Thanks!

The funding formula is composed of three tiers which include selected public library standards. Since the funding level increases with greater compliance with standards, the tiers provide incentives for improvements in library services. The State Library and Iowa Library Service Areas have worked tirelessly to help all public libraries meet minimum standards of quality.

Monroe Public Library: Because of Direct State Aid, we will have magazines available to people who cannot afford to buy them. This is very helpful in tough economic times.

Of Iowa's 543 public libraries in FY03, 266 received Tier 3 funding, 117 received Tier 2 funding, 94 received Tier 1 funding, and 66 were not eligible this year.

Libraries are a critical part of Iowa's rich educational tradition. Libraries provide preschoolers with early exposure to the written word, support students, and offer lifelong learning opportunities for adults. The local library is often the only place in town to use a computer, access the Internet, make photocopies, or send faxes. For many Iowans, Direct State Aid means the difference between living in isolation and having the world at their fingertips.

A Glimpse at uses of Direct State Aid in FY03

The Bagley Public Library used Direct State Aid to purchase computers. "We have a special needs girl who loves to come to the library and use the computer to check her e-mail and send cards to her friends. This is her only contact with the outside world. She is here every day we are open."

From the Knoxville Public Library: "In the past, direct state aid has enabled our library to offer more computers for Internet access, to help purchase a building for possible future expansion, and now we will be able to replace older, worn out computers. Several people who cannot afford home computers use the library's computers to communicate via e-mail with loved ones in the military who are stationed in the Mid East."

From the Red Oak Public Library: "With direct state aid, we have been able to provide improvements over the years that we would not have been able to do otherwise. As the funding has helped our Internet service grow, we have been able to offer continuing education and job searches for people who would not have received them. We have been able to observe people obtaining new jobs and degrees through these added services."

From the Ossian Public Library: "Without these state programs, we would have to cut spending in several areas. One mother whose son participated in the summer reading program told me her son's reading had improved over the summer. He had been struggling prior to that. He came to almost all of the programs and brought others with him."

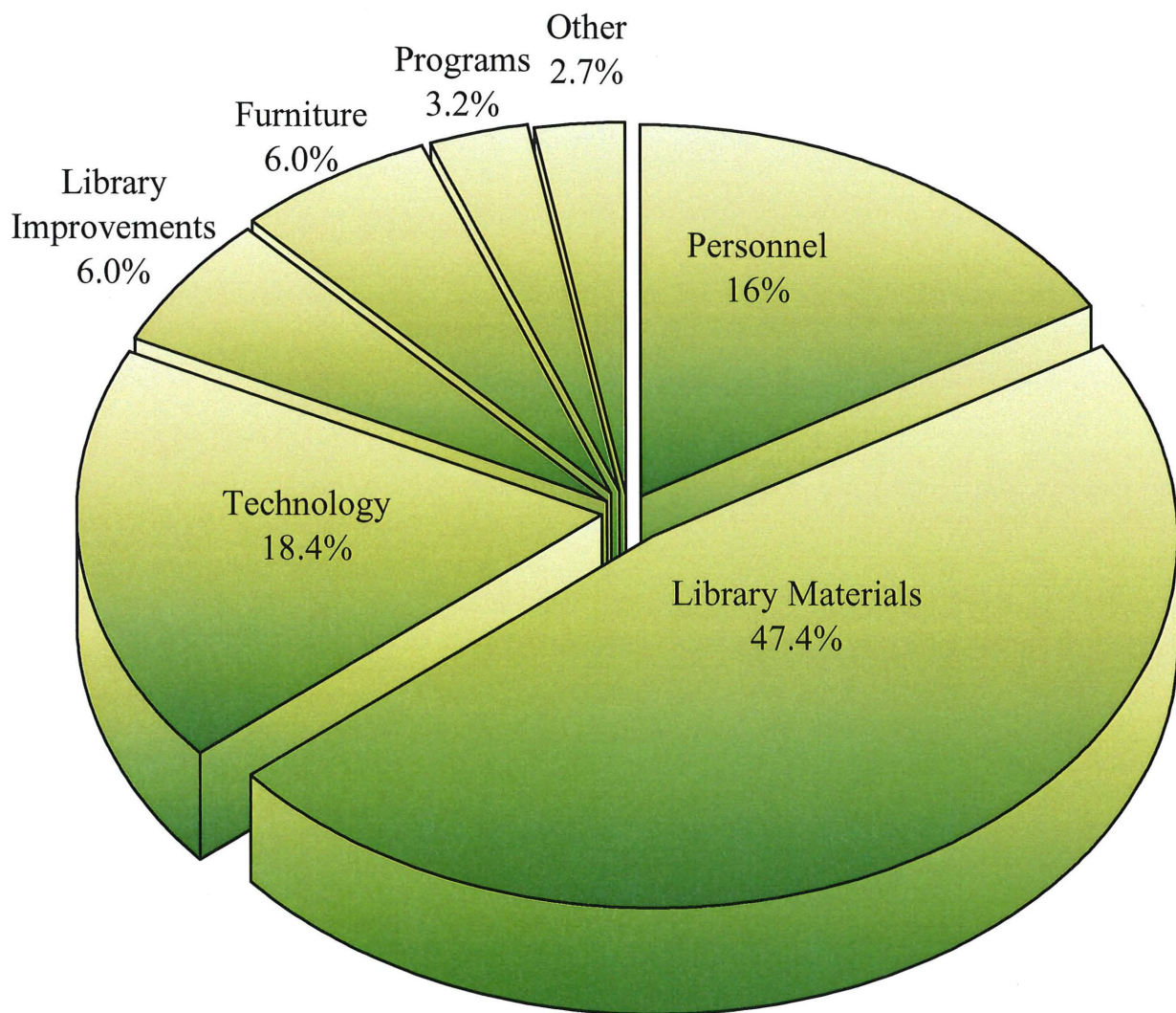
From the Iowa Falls Public Library: "Because of direct state aid, we have been able to increase spending for certain parts of our collection, especially books on CD. The demand for these keeps increasing and it is difficult for us to keep up."

From the Algona Public Library: "It is important that libraries provide material for their patrons, especially in the wake of the Reinvention Bill. This funding helps us maintain the type of collection that our library patrons expect."

From the Tama Public Library, which used part of its funding for a new computer: "We had so many unemployed people in our town because of the casino closing. Many of our patrons used the public access computers for job searches and to write resumes. Some used them to just help pass the time. Many people cannot afford computers or the Internet so this is a great service for our community."

From the Villisca Public Library: "Direct state aid will help us purchase more books and videos. We have a lot of elderly patrons who are unable to do any physical work, so they read a lot. They really appreciate all the books they can get here at the library. It is really hard to keep up with some of them."

Use of Direct State Aid (\$1 million) by Categories



Based on reports from 477 Iowa public libraries
January 2004

City	Direct State Aid Amount	Categories for Use of Direct State Aid	Use of Direct State Aid Funding by 477 Public Libraries
Ackley	\$1,785	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Extended hours; books and children's programs. Patrons are much happier with the extended hours and the children's programs encourage reading and love of the library. The new day care center is next door and there is a lot of feedback on how the library is affecting positive language and reading skills.
Adair	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Adel	\$1,580	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books on CD, two new public access computers. Our patrons will be happy to have a better selection of CDs. Our patrons will love the faster, new computers.
Agency	\$1,350	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs;	Technology consultant; children's books; rolling chair; implement a summer reading program. A young man who is a library patron was home schooled throughout his high school years. He received no diploma. Through library usage and encouragement by library staff, he was able to receive his GED.
Akron	\$1,141	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Computer classes for senior citizens; books on CD; digital camera to assist with story time pictures and newspaper articles; flannel board and maracas for story times.
Albert City	\$1,418	Materials & Supplies; Programs	These funds make it possible for the library to fulfill requests for best sellers and reference materials that the library is unable to purchase with our regular materials budget. State aid funds make a big difference and make fulfilling requests more timely. The funds also make a big difference in the quality of children's programs. We have increased reading incentive programs to include all ages.
Albia	\$1,672	Materials & Supplies	Videocassettes, DVDs, books on tape and CD. Because there is no money allotted in our budget for these materials, direct state aid allows us to provide the newest in entertainment for our patrons. We have a patron who recently lost her husband. She began coming into the library to borrow books and videocassettes. When she found that we also had books on CD and DVDs, she bought a player. She said it was the first time she'd ever had to read instructions and program an electronic device. She also said that she never would have tried if she was not able to get the materials at the library for free.
Albion	\$502	Materials & Supplies	Books. We are able to purchase more current materials with this funding
Alden	\$1,084	Materials & Supplies	Books, magazines, books on tape, videos. Direct State Aid will help as our materials budget was cut this funding year.
Alexander	\$1,415	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Books, videos; story hour incentives, crafts and snacks.

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Algona	\$2,830	Materials & Supplies	Adult, young adult and children's books. It is important that libraries provide material for their patrons, especially in the wake of the Reinvention Bill. This funding helps us maintain the type of collection that our library patrons expect.
Allerton	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Allison	\$1,017	Personnel	Extended hours. Will be open six days a week in our new library. Because of extended hours, people who work out of town have time to get to the library and they are really pleased when we are open. The story time mothers are pleased that we are offering a morning time for the younger children so that it does not interfere with nap time.
Alta	\$619	Personnel; Furniture	Salary for three library clerks; computer stand
Alta Vista	\$1,364	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Children and adult books; printer cartridges and copy machine; computer table. This funding has helped provide services to our patrons and made it possible to buy needed items so they library and patrons can all be successful. Thank you!
Alton	\$689	Technology & Equipment	Computers for patron use. These serve people who do not have computers at home.
Altoona	\$4,704	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Computer sign-up/scheduling software program will allow us to use office application software and provide Internet access on all computers. The library has been open since September 1998. We are now beginning to repaint the walls. The total cost is \$13,800. The balance of the direct state aid after purchasing the scheduling program will be used for painting interior walls.
Ames	\$14,871	Materials & Supplies	BabyTALK – Books for Babies program, materials for packets given to new parents at Mary Greeley Medical Center as part of our county-wide, pre-literacy program. This pre-literacy program is making a difference in the lives of parents and babies, focusing on the importance of reading to children from birth. Studies show this has an impact on speech development, reading readiness and success in school.
Anamosa	\$2,617	Materials & Supplies	Direct state aid will supplement our materials budget which was cut drastically by the Reinvention bill. Service is being maintained at a lower standard. Because of the budget cuts, our materials line item was reduced by half.
Anita	\$1,495	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Additional staff hours; automation, Internet access; adult and children's programming.
Ankeny	\$9,493	Technology & Equipment	Computers were purchased for study rooms, IPACs and additional Internet stations. The number of patrons using PCs increased from 27,108 to 29,040 from FY02 to FY03. We now can offer "groups" PCs to use for projects. Very often patrons need to use PCs together, which they can now do in the study rooms.

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Anthon	\$880	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Salary for additional staff; Children's fiction and adult large print books; adult audio books and self-help books; audio-cassette jackets; encyclopedia software, computer maintenance; book discussion group. Circulation has increased due to the purchase of current materials and up-to-date computer software. There is an elderly gentleman who looks forward to the large print fiction books that are now available. He enjoys reading several a week.
Aplington	\$1,508	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Additional staff hours; DSL line. The DSL connection for the Internet has been very much appreciated by the public. The speed it allows on a networked system is almost a necessity.
Archer	\$464	Capital Improvements; Furniture	New door, outdoor security lighting; two computer desks. The new computer desks enhance the appearance of the library and provide patrons with more comfort when using the computers. The new door and outside lighting provide a safer environment for everyone. A patron commented how the improved outdoor lighting aided her in seeing the sidewalk and possible icy spots.
Arlington	\$1,327	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Additional DVDs and CDs; high speed Internet access for public access computers. Internet usage has increased with high speed Internet access. Students especially enjoy this service. Without direct state aid, we would not be able to have this service at this time.
Armstrong	\$1,450	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Non-fiction books for children's section; server computer; storm windows for library. With the high cost of fuel, we felt storm windows would conserve costs. Our server had very little space left and we were having trouble with it. Since we replaced it, we have no trouble checking out books.
Arnolds Park	\$1,584	Materials & Supplies	Books on CD and audio tapes. We have a big demand for books on tape and CD. We would not be able to offer these titles if not for this extra funding. One man had to lay still for a long time after extensive eye surgery. He said the audio tapes saved his sanity.
Arthur	\$853	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Staff salaries; books and other materials; computer supplies.
Ashton	\$952	Personnel	Wages for workers to enable us to be open 20+ hours a week. Wages are by far the biggest expenditure in our budget.
Atkins	\$524	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Audio books and leap pad cartridges and books; summer library program for children ages 4 to 10.
Atlantic	\$2,970	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Videos and DVDs; Internet access. We will be able to start a new DVD collection for our library patrons with this funding.
Auburn	\$532	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Purchased large print books; software for sharing on content server; computer technicians to help get our network going and to enable our Gates server to share content.

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Audubon	\$1,431	Materials & Supplies	Juvenile books for the beginning-to-read children. The books were selected to supplement the county-wide Character Counts program. Several children have been very excited to see the new children's books and were eager to check them out and take them home. One child's mother had to sneak a book back to the library since it had quickly become a favorite.
Aurelia	\$1,494	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Training for new library director; new books and audio cassettes; Internet access. Much of the Enrich Iowa funding spent this year has gone toward Internet access. Giving the community the ability to "log online" at the library has increased the number of patrons using the library on a daily basis. Recently, an elderly woman came into the library wondering if it was possible to locate people overseas. She was planning a vacation to Europe and was trying to see if any of her ancestors still lived in the cities they originally came from. Through searching on the Internet, our library was able to locate a website that worked much like a phone directory on an international level and she began her search. The Internet is an amazing resource for our library and has a significant impact on our community.
Aurora	\$440	Materials & Supplies	Update reference material and add audio books. A patron was taking a long driving vacation and checked out several of our audio books. She was delighted to have this option as an alternative to the radio.
Avoca	\$1,656	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	New books, CDs; colored laser printer; display table; summer library program materials and presenters.
Badger	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Bagley	\$935	Technology & Equipment	Patron and work station computers. We have a special needs girl who loves to come to the library and use the computer to check her e-mail and send cards to her friends. This is her only contact with the outside world. She is here every day we are open.
Bancroft	\$1,475	Materials & Supplies	Books, audio books, children's books-with-cassettes. With direct state aid funding we are able to purchase additional books for our library that we probably would not have been able to purchase otherwise.
Batavia	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Battle Creek	\$1,390	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Salaries for additional staff; periodicals; Pioneer Internet (after e-rate discounts), Frontier Communications telephone. Library service is improving because we can offer patrons Internet services free of charge. We're also offering more periodicals than ever before.

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Baxter	\$1,512	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Training for new employee; audio tapes, adult books, teen books; printer and copier supplies; shelving
Bayard	\$1,410	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Staff hours to work on the development of a web page and PR materials; DVDs, large print materials and library brochures; development of a web page. We have an ever increasing demand for large print materials and direct state aid has certainly made it possible for us to provide adequately for those users. Once a web page is up, we expect to get our "story" out there with increased exposure and usage.
Beaman	\$1,395	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	"Deep Freeze" on one computer with two more coming after December. Because of virus, had to reconfigure the computer. We will be getting Net Nanny after the first of the year. New door and inside book drop. The new door will be much easier for the handicapped people in our community.
Bedford	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Belle Plaine	\$1,966	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Books, audio tapes and possibly DVDs. We do not have a regular budget for programming, so these funds really help. We are able to have more programs, as well as more materials for our patrons. We had many budget cuts so this is a great help. We are getting many new people to the library for special programs.
Bellevue	\$2,157	Materials & Supplies	Books and audio books. Direct state aid has enabled the library to buy more materials than we otherwise would be able to purchase.
Belmond	\$2,099	Materials & Supplies	Books, audio books and CDs. These funds help us keep up with the constant demand for NEW library materials.
Bennett	\$468	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Children's audio tapes and CDs, videos; summer library program and story hour supplies and incentives.
Bettendorf	\$8,479	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Picture books and Netlibrary electronic books; young adult web site indexing; shelving, PC transporters; young adult author visit; Emily Dickinson Lives program.
Birmingham	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Blairstown	\$945	Capital Improvements; Furniture	Signage for our new library; comfortable chair(s) for the teen area. The library as a gathering place is an important function. It helps keep community members feeling connected to each other. In a small town, these gathering places are few. I have several older patrons who spend a great portion of their library visit chatting with me. I feel it's important to spend that time with them because much of their day is isolated from other people. This library visit is an escape from loneliness.

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Blakesburg	\$455	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Part-time staff person; large print books; printer and copier supplies. We have a patron who is 97 years old. She loves to read the large print books.
Bloomfield	\$1,188	Technology & Equipment	Hand-held scanner for our Athena system for inventory.
Bode	\$955	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	This money greatly helped our book budget. I purchased several new Iowa books and many other needed books. We are using part of the money for our Internet provider. Direct state aid has been an incredible boon to the Bode Library. How nice to be able to purchase extra books and have help paying for our Internet bills. Thanks!
Bonaparte	\$448	Materials & Supplies	Audio books, classical music CDs, computer games on CD for children's area. We have been able to add educational CDs for pre-school and beginning readers. The educational computer games have been a great challenge for a mentally handicapped young girl. She loves to come in and play on the computer. The look on her face and the excitement of what she can do is wonderful to see.
Bondurant	\$1,720	Technology & Equipment	WebCollection Plus upgrade and support for one year; additional hardware upgrades. Patrons will be able to access our catalog from their homes via the web.
Boone	\$4,561	Materials & Supplies;	Books, audio books, videos. We are able to meet the needs of our elderly and commuting patrons.
Boyden	\$656	Materials & Supplies	New Christian fiction books and audio books. Recently one of our church libraries closed. After this happened, a member of that church started coming to the Boyden Public Library and really enjoys our new selection of Christian fiction books.
Breda	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Britt	\$1,288	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Additional hours (staff); large print books; computer technical support, anti-virus software
Brooklyn	\$626	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Videos, audio tapes, books for an adult program; DVD player and TV
Buffalo Center	\$593	Capital Improvements	Carpet for front entrance makes it safer and more inviting.
Burlington	\$5,911	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	DVD collection development; laptop computer for taking the library story to the community through public presentations. Even though our DVD collection is considerably smaller than the VHS collection, the use is very large and in the month of November the circulation of DVDs was greater than that of the VHS format. People are especially pleased with the titles that are not always available at local rental outlets. We are aware of an older person who received a DVD player as a gift so that she could use the resources from the library.
Burt	\$1,405	Furniture	The funding will be used to purchase furniture for a remodeled and expanded room in the library

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Bussey	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Calamus	\$424	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Director's salary increase; book covers, spine labels, signage for shelves, DVDs; craft materials and supplies for children's programs. This money enables us to meet the needs of our patrons. It is important for this library to stay open and the funding helps us do that. Just recently I had a young mother come in wanting information on learning disabilities. As she described her daughter's problems in school, I asked if she would want to check out a book on ADHD and see if it could be helpful. She did and came back later and said she thought she'd identified the problem.
Callender	\$1,416	Materials & Supplies	Non-fiction and biography books. This funding improves our ability to provide for patrons' needs. Every bit helps.
Calmar	\$1,546	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Adult and junior audio books, junior fiction books; Centurion Guardian for three computers plus labor costs. Last year we ordered junior audio books. One young man, a freshman, cannot read. He used the audio tapes to keep up with his classmates.
Camanche	\$2,183	Materials & Supplies	Large print books and supplies for pre-school story time and other programs.
Cambridge	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Cantril	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Carlisle	\$1,501	Technology & Equipment	Replace staff computer and monitor.
Carroll	\$3,910	Furniture	Plan to purchase 24, three-position Sauder chairs for seating at library tables; computers. The comfort and attractiveness of the library has improved greatly. Many more patrons come to the library and actually spend time instead of dashing in and out. This social contact is important to folks who live alone.
Carter Lake	\$1,945	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Staff training; audio books, DVDs, program supplies
Cascade	\$1,626	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	EBSCOhost and <i>Des Moines Register</i> subscriptions; automation support; set up fee for server; additional shelving. We would not be able to afford EBSCOhost or the newspaper with direct state aid. With shelves (in every possible area), we can now provide our patrons with lots of new materials.
Casey	\$536	Personnel; Materials and Supplies	Trained a new person for part-time employment; new large print books. The funding has enabled our library to provide better service to our community. We have patrons with vision problems who are beginning to use large print and reading more. Although we are on a large print rotation with other libraries in the region, we are trying to update with more recent editions.
Cedar Falls	\$10,780	Personnel	Cedar Falls and Waterloo public libraries combined direct state aid monies to fund the Gray Matters Coordinator's salary. (See Waterloo.)

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Cedar Rapids	\$31,229	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's books.
Center Point	\$762	Personnel	Direct state aid allows us to provide 108.8 additional open hours a year. We have just completed our bar code conversion and these hours will be needed to fix the glitches.
Centerville	\$2,654	Personnel	Training and pay new staff for additional hours.
Central City	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Chariton	\$2,413	Technology & Equipment	Automation software, new computer bar codes, scanner
Charles City	\$3,328	Materials & Supplies	Additional books on CD. So many of our audio book customers now have CD players in their vehicles rather than cassette players. They are requesting a wider selection of books on CD.
Charter Oak	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Chelsea	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Cherokee	\$2,544	Materials & Supplies	Adult fiction, children's and large print books. Our book budget has not been cut, but it remained stagnant for almost 10 years. This funding allows us to purchase additional books, primarily current fiction and large print. This year we plan to work on our science fiction/fantasy collection as it needs some expansion.
Churdan	\$1,541	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Audio books and DVDs; summer reading program.
Clare	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Clarence	\$510	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children's books; new fax machine, cordless telephone, ram chip for computer. Because of direct state aid, the library will prove. We will be able to offer our patrons a fax machine and improve our children's section with new books.
Clarinda	\$1,831	Materials & Supplies	Non-fiction and reference books. Our current collection has become dated due to lack of funding. The direct state aid funds will allow the library to create a more current collection. The community will benefit from these new materials.
Clarion	\$2,170	Capital Improvements	Commercial door, frame and installation
Clarksville	\$1,592	Personnel	Assistant librarian salary. We will now be open six days a week. This is what the public has requested. We are able to provide the same kind of service that a larger community library offers.
Clear Lake	\$3,392	Personnel	Expanded children's librarian position to full-time and changed job title to youth services and expanded position to include young adult service. This is vital to keep middle and high school students involved with the library as they go through their teen years.
Clearfield	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Cleghorn	\$1,295	Technology & Equipment	i-mac computer. With the upgraded computer, we will offer our patrons faster check out at the circulation desk, especially when we have an average of 45 students checking out several items during hourly story times.

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Clermont	\$940	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's books. Direct state aid helps us purchase the expensive books we need.
Clinton	\$7,797	Other	Building program consultant. Consultant and architect studies are need to move the new building project forward. Future funding may be used for an AV projector and a laptop computer to give public presentations; the remainder would go for AV media to circulate.
Clive	\$4,175	Materials & Supplies	Non-print collection
Clutier	\$437	Materials & Supplies	Accelerated Reader books for elementary age students
Coggon	\$521	Materials & Supplies	Funds will be used for books, supplies and library materials. Up-to-date books and materials improve our ability to offer the best service available for a library our size.
Coin	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Colesburg	\$1,313	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Salary and mileage for Gates computer training, Library 101 and Public Library Management 2 classes; children, youth and adult books. Without this funding we would not be able to buy as many books since our budget has been cut. We would not be accredited with training for the librarian. The training has made the librarian more knowledgeable about the job.
Colfax	\$563	Technology & Equipment	A new computer
Collins	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Colo	\$1,693	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Story hour cabinet; audio shelving, circulation desk
Columbus Junction	\$1,724	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Additional hours for special programs; audio books, video tapes or CDs.
Conrad	\$1,617	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Salaries; all types of materials, especially audio books and DVDs. Our patrons have been demanding more of these. Computer to replace card catalog computer.
Coon Rapids	\$1,567	Technology & Equipment	To help purchase Concourse software (much more user friendly).
Coralville	\$5,287	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Computer equipment upgrades; shelving for video collection.
Corning	\$1,800	Materials & Supplies	New books. We will be able to buy a few more books after the state made the city cut our budget this year.
Correctionville	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Corwith	\$525	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Workshop for personnel; books and videotapes; children's reading program.
Corydon	\$1,568	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Extended hours; books and audio books; new computer chair. Evening hours means working patrons are better able to use the library.
Coulter	\$1,422	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Update the non-fiction section, audio books; new office chairs.

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Council Bluffs	\$15,458	Materials & Supplies; Other	Books, audio tapes, CDs, recorded books, DVDs, miscellaneous supplies, Gale Group books; Baker & Taylor Content Café, EBSCO Novelist, Newsbank newspaper subscriptions, World Book Encyclopedia online.
Cresco	\$2,327	Materials & Supplies	Books, videotapes, periodicals. Due to a lowered economy, many patrons can't afford to have their own magazine subscriptions. They can either read their favorite periodicals and newspapers here at the library, or they can check them out for three weeks. A patron with children in college decided not to spend the money on her favorite magazine. She is still able to read it at home, though, when she checks out the library's copy.
Creston	\$3,168	Materials & Supplies	Children's and adult books; children's and adult videotapes and CDs. This funding has allowed us to purchase materials we would not have been able to because of budget cuts.
Crystal Lake	\$1,260	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Personnel training; new books and DVD programs; new print cartridges and computer equipment; additional summer reading program supplies and new programs in and outside the library. This funding helps us to continue programs here in the library and in the community, and allows for extra benefits for the patrons that otherwise would not be available.
Cumberland	\$878	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Wages; educational software for the computer.
Cushing	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Dallas Center	\$1,686	Capital Improvements	Replace windows in original library structure. With new windows and better insulation, heating and cooling costs should be reduced, allowing more budget funds to be used towards the library's collection.
Davenport	\$24,160	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Staff development, training, workshops; collection materials including audio-visual and related processing supplies. Direct state aid assisted us in re-structuring the first floor public area of our library so that the public now has a large browsing area with new fiction, non-fiction and genre publications in various formats as soon as they come through the entrance. Comfortable seating is available also. No one, but a number of patrons have commented on how much more welcoming the public service areas are and how appreciative they are that our staff is so well trained and knowledgeable in assisting them find the information they need.
Dayton	\$1,534	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Salary for assistant; large print books. We have a large number of older patrons who can only read large print books. They are so tickled – they can now start to read again! We also have a couple of younger patrons who use large print books because of eye strain, etc.

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Decorah	\$3,588	Materials & Supplies	Books, books on CD, foreign language and large print materials for statewide distribution. As established, the Vera Harris large print collection continues to serve not only area citizens, but patrons throughout the state. This area has an increase in culturally diverse individuals. The foreign language materials assist these individuals in the transition. We have started assisting with the Free Medical Clinic. Latino families use this service. Due to a high demand for the service, children often have to wait extended periods of time in the waiting area. Spanish language materials from the library occupy the time as well as offer ESL experience.
Delhi	\$473	Materials & Supplies	Books and programs supplies to offset budget cuts. These funds help with improvements and supplies that don't fit into the tight budgets we all live with. It is a great help and has made our library a better place for our patrons.
Denison	\$3,200	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Sonic Wall firewall software, computer projector, two new computers for children's library; three computer desks for public Internet computers. Our library's Internet access is used an average of 40 times a daily and that number is growing. It is important to make sure this service remains viable. The firewall protects the Internet computers from hackers.
Denver	\$1,759	Materials & Supplies	Books, CDs, etc.
Des Moines	\$50,923	Materials & Supplies	Print and audio media. This continues to be an important supplement to our materials budget.
DeSoto	\$1,446	Technology & Equipment	New computer, yearly dues for database software support
DeWitt	\$2,793	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	DVDs, books on CD, graphic novels for young adults, Leapfrogs; web maintenance, scanner (barcode)
Dexter	\$941	Materials & Supplies	Books on tape; juvenile nonfiction books. Books on tape are in ever-increasing demand. Since most people only listen to a tape once, there is a high turnover rate. Increasing the number of tapes enhances our collection and increases circulation. Patrons who are visually impaired enjoy these too. We also have voracious readers of large print books in our community. The money provided through Direct State Aid will allow us to purchase many new ones and will improve their reading choices. We have a patron who is incapacitated by multiple sclerosis and listens to tapes as a way of passing the long days.
Dickens	\$448	Materials & Supplies	Books, software programs and children's craft supplies.
Dike	\$1,588	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Reference materials; summer library programs. Last summer was our biggest yet in attendance. At our "Laugh It Up at the Library" program we had a lot of new people. We have a pre-school summer program. This brought in a little girl and her father from Parkersburg because they don't offer a program. We could provide this program because of this funding.

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Donnellson	\$1,482	Personnel	Opened the library for an additional 4.5 hours a week. Additional funds allowed us to open the library at 11:30 a.m. instead of 1:30 p.m. We have more senior citizens and young parents with small children using the library now.
Doon	\$498	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Audio CDs, movie DVDs; prizes for summer reading program. As technology changes, we find that there is a need for more audio CDs instead of audio cassettes, and DVDs instead of videos. The problem is the CDs and DVDs are more expensive. This extra money will allow us to keep up with the changes.
Dow City	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Dows	\$1,587	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Adult and children's books; summer reading program supplies. We have been able to provide better programs for the children by being able to purchase supplies.
Dubuque	\$14,653	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Part-time library assistant during busiest hours of evenings and weekends to assist librarians, troubleshoot equipment problems and monitor the Internet room; purchase duplicate copies of popular materials and reduce holds on extended waiting lists. Because of direct state aid, patrons will feel less of a sting due to FY04 budget cuts. We are struggling to maintain service levels with less money. We plan to spend these funds where the citizens of Dubuque will see it first – more books and more help!
Dubuque County	\$9,376	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Other	CDs, DVDs; new computer; magazine racks, bulletin boards, book display rack for Holy Cross branch library, Brodart 9/03; program room supplies and furniture, ladder.
Dumont	\$521	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Salary for staff member to work more hours; computer program antivirus software
Duncombe	\$1,425	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Copy machine; new table and chairs
Dunkerton	\$1,391	Materials & Supplies	New books. We will be able to purchase bestsellers and other reading material through the fiscal year. People are always happy when they come in and ask for a book someone told them about and we have it.
Dunlap	\$1,020	Personnel	Part-time person. With the additional help we are moving right along with weeding our collections and getting books cataloged in preparation for our move next summer.
Dyersville	\$2,272	Materials & Supplies	Direct state aid has enabled us to start and maintain a books-on-CD collection. These funds will continue to be used for this collection and to purchase DVDs.
Dysart	\$1,038	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Used for implementation of year round story hour for preschoolers, training for automation, extra hours spent processing Carver grant materials, and automating our collection. Purchased learning games for computers in children's area.
Eagle Grove	\$2,469	Library Programs; Furniture	Supplies for summer library program or story hour; replace chairs in children's room, audio book shelving.

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Earlham	\$1,599	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Library management training; new bestsellers, videos; summery library program (a huge success). This funding makes it a lot easier for the library staff to accommodate what patrons want. A happy staff means a happy library atmosphere.
Earlville	\$978	Materials & Supplies	We are able to provide more books, magazines and other materials then we otherwise would be able to do.
Early	\$554	Technology & Equipment	Computer. The new computer works so much faster that the librarian can get a lot more accomplished in half the time. This allows more time to prepare new books for circulation, putting books back on shelves, and helping library patrons.
Eddyville	\$1,002	Personnel	Longer hours. Being able to stay open evening hours accommodates our patrons who go to school and work during the day. The library's circulation has improved and increased because of the later hours.
Edgewood	\$1,490	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	DVDs, cases for videos and DVDs; maintain summer reading program and begin new adult programs.
Elberon	\$444	Personnel	Salary for additional staff. An extra part-time staff member helps our library provide better service to our patrons.
Eldon	\$1,005	Materials & Supplies	New books, supplies for story time and summer reading program. We have new books for our patrons to read and enjoy. I also purchase new children's books to read during story time every other Monday. Fourteen four-year-olds attend. I purchase bookmarks and small prizes to give to them. The local church pre-school comes for story time. Their teacher tells me how much they enjoy coming to the library. I like to have new picture books to read to them. They are so appreciative of the story time.
Eldora	\$2,096	Technology & Equipment; Other	ZoomText software (large print for low vision patrons); new computer
Elgin	\$1,375	Materials & Supplies	Children's and adult books. I had to cut our book budget, so this helps us to keep a good collection. We take pride in our book collection and this is very beneficial to our patrons. This money helps us provide this important service to our community. We are often complimented on this, especially for our fine children's collection. Thank you!
Elk Horn	\$1,371	Materials & Supplies	Graphic novels, accelerated reading books, CDs, classics. Because of this funding we have been able to continue expanding our book selection.
Elkader	\$1,657	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio cassette and CD lease programs; scanner or digital camera. These are services we would never be able to afford with these funds. We have many homebound elderly who are not able to actually read, but can still enjoy books through our audio lease program.
Elliott	\$498	Materials & Supplies	New books. We have less than \$100 a month for new books. Without this funding, we would have less than \$50 a month! We are building our large print collection. We have a retired farmer in poor health whose wife gets in three or four books a week.

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Ellsworth	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Elma	\$1,382	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Non-fiction and reference books; computer; electric baseboard heaters for addition. Patrons will have a choice of three good Internet computers, rather than just two. A patron coming into the library won't have to wait for a decent computer to e-mail family and friends. We have a group that meets weekly in our meeting room and they have told us that this new addition is cold in the winter. Electric baseboard heaters will take care of the problem.
Ely	\$1,076	Materials & Supplies	New set of World Book Encyclopedias; book sets for young readers. The library moved to a new building and had put off purchasing a new set of encyclopedias. Now we are in a new setting, which adds a "new" look to our juvenile section. We have added many preschool/easy reader books because our town has young families with young children.
Emerson	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Emmetsburg	\$2,494	Technology & Equipment	Additional public access computers and software; peripherals to support computers.
Essex	\$978	Materials & Supplies	Large print books and audio books
Estherville	\$2,850	Technology & Equipment	Server, set up and labor costs. With the purchase of a server, the library will have the capability of designing our own web site and providing an online catalog for the public. This big step forward in technology will have a huge impact on the library community.
Evansdale	\$1,484	Materials & Supplies	Books; advertising. Because we had to knock our advertising line item down to nil due to the Reinvention Bill, it is nice to be able to have a little extra money to support the marketing of our library.
Everly	\$491	Library Programs	Summer library program and children's programs during the year. This money has made it possible to have a first class summer library program that runs for four weeks. Children who are not interested in softball or swimming have another option – the summer library program.
Exira	\$1,498	Personnel	Salaries
Fairbank	\$1,485	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	CDs for adults, large print books, fiction and non-fiction children's books; DVDs; TV/VCR/DVD player for use in children's activities; book discussion materials; We hope to add DVD to our library. This will bring in some new patrons. Our school has started a new reading program. I hope to add some more children's books from their reading lists. Our older patrons want to read large print or listen to audio books so we will be adding to our collection.
Fairfax	\$609	Materials & Supplies	New books.
Fairfield	\$3,037	Materials & Supplies	Periodicals and newspapers. Because of other, much larger state cuts, the net result has been negative.

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Farmersburg	\$874	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Librarian's wages and education fees; new books (reference and young adult); maintain computers and software. Additional funding helps the library provide needed materials and computer upkeep. We would not be able to afford these things without it.
Farmington	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Farnhamville	\$531	Materials & Supplies	Expand reference section, books on countries. We now have books that patrons might have had to find elsewhere. since we don't have a school in our town, school children find it handy to come and get what they need for papers.
Fayette	\$1,537	Technology & Equipment	Internet access, staff computer. Since getting high speed Internet access, usage has increased 10 percent. With budget cuts, we would not have been able to replace old staff computer and would not get materials out to patrons as fast.
Fenton	\$1,346	Personnel; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Public Library Management II course; fixed leaky roof; summer library program materials.
Fertile	\$1,373	Materials & Supplies	New books. We wouldn't be able to purchase these without direct state aid.
Fonda	\$943	Materials & Supplies	We plan to use this funding to purchase more new books, audio books and DVDs since these areas were cut back in the year's budget. These will improve library service because there will be a larger variety of new materials available which patrons are grateful to have right in their own community. We have many elderly patrons who do not get the chance to go out of town very often and this will make it possible for them to have easy access to more new materials.
Fontanelle	\$1,396	Personnel	We are using this money for salaries. Direct state aid makes it possible for our library to be open 20 hours a week and to employ three staff members part time. Thank you.
Forest City	\$2,317	Technology & Equipment	Nobilis N4004 notebook, Microsoft office 2003, computer upgrade. The director and the board are pleased that the state is able to help financially with larger purchases for the library.
Fort Atkinson	\$1,355	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Staff training; library material processing supplies, audio books, CDs; additional software upgrade; bench for patrons; additional material for summer reading program, story hour materials, music for story hour program. More people have become patrons. We have had excellent response to our summer reading program and weekly story hour. We used our new CD recording device to make a copy of all the story hour pictures and sent them to family members who are Iraq.

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Fort Dodge	\$7,976	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Salaries for substitute staff. This will allow the library to maintain its regular hours when staff is gone due to vacations, illness, emergencies, etc. Will purchase additional large print and audio books, books on CD. This will allow the library to continue to expand these collections and to help us keep ahead of patrons' demands for materials in these formats. Will purchase computer hardware (monitors and hard drives) and filtering software. This will allow us to replace equipment that is failing and for us to meet CIPA requirements so we can continue to receive e-rate discounts.
Fort Madison	\$1,346	Materials & Supplies	Books. Libraries have had very meager book budgets the past two years. This year's budget may be even worse due to the Reinvention Bill. Any extra money we get goes toward books.
Fredericksburg	\$1,543	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Salaries for extra staff during children's programs; added to our CD collection, books for children's programs and craft supplies; security light by back door for meeting room entrance. We were able to add programs for junior high age children and continue our once-a-month family fun night.
Galva	\$1,286	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Books, audio books, videos and computer games; video cabinet. With these funds, we can provide a better, updated collection of materials to our patrons.
Garden Grove	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Garnavillo	\$1,471	Technology & Equipment	New computer. Direct state aid helps the library replace obsolete computer hardware. By keeping the library computers up-to-date, patrons will continue to have the important information they need. This funding benefits all the library patrons because it makes computers available to all the community and surrounding rural areas, regardless of a person's economic status.
Garner	\$2,134	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Hire a story hour person; books, audio books on tape and CD; summer reading program supplies. We have been able to hire a story time person for night time events, plus crafts and snacks for the kids. We can also provide more formats (books on CD and DVDs) for our patrons.
Garrison	\$481	Materials & Supplies	Purchased 43 children's and adult non-fiction books.
Garwin	\$501	Materials & Supplies	Books and audio books for all ages. Our county funding is down this year. Direct state aid will help keep our supply of new adult-teenage-children's books almost up to par. We will use this money wisely.
George	\$1,047	Materials & Supplies	Large print books, adult fiction. These additional funds help us keep our collection current. We have been able to offer a wider variety of authors and it has helped our patrons become regular library users and supporters.
Gilman	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		

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Gilmore City	\$1,391	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Additional staff for expanded children's summer program; update and expand audio books section; materials for expanded children's summer program. We anticipate that we will be able to serve a greater number of children by enlarging our summer program.
Gladbrook	\$996	Furniture	Shelving for office, desk and chair
Glenwood	\$2,623	Technology & Equipment	Funding will either be used to update our copy machine or update some computers on our network. Updated computers will provide faster service at the circulation desks. A new computer would be faster and copy quality would be significantly better.
Glidden	\$581	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Children and teen books; two library programs a year.
Gowrie	\$1,566	Technology & Equipment	Two new public access computers were purchased. By upgrading and enhancing our technical equipment with direct state aid funds, usage has gone up dramatically. Korryn needed to find 23 chapter books for her children's literature course. When the card catalog computer crashed, we were able to replace that computer in a short amount of time so that she could finish her search.
Graettinger	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Grafton	\$1,357	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Extended hours; new award winning books; summer library program supplies; cataloging supplies.
Grand Junction	\$1,460	Materials & Supplies	Non-fiction materials for adults and children. Elementary non-fiction was purchased in cooperation with the East Greene Elementary School. The school received a grant for a new reading program. The teachers made a list of subjects. This has helped create a better relationship between the school and library. Many children are checking out the books on subjects the teachers have introduced them to. Now when they ask, we almost always have something to satisfy their interests.
Granger	\$467	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Combination fax/copier/scanner; adult programming. Currently we do not have a fax or copy machine. We have patrons who would like to have copies made and to send faxes, but there's no place in town to do it. This will be a good asset for our library.
Greene	\$1,521	Personnel	Will be open an additional nine hours a week. We are currently open 50 hours a week. In the future, the Reinvention Bill could cause us to cut some services, but Direct State Aid should allow us to keep our present level of open hours. Students who participate in school activities and adults who work out of town have more opportunities to use our services. We have several college students who prefer using our library because of our extended hours and personal service.

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Greenfield	\$1,761	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Additional staff salaries; audio books and CDs, children's shopping program supplies; board books for children; service agreement for copier. We have had a great increase in the use of audio books and this funding will really aid in having a better selection.
Grimes	\$2,559	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	New computer; additional summer reading programs and incentives; drive up book return. A book return would be very popular, especially for the elderly and moms with babies.
Grinnell	\$2,332	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio book leasing program; subscription to Title Source II. Audio books are one of the most heavily used parts of our collection. The leasing program allows us to offer more titles, especially those of ephemeral popularity, to our patrons. A CD leasing program has made it possible for us to begin offering this format for the first time. Title Source II is an efficient bibliographic tool and streamlines ordering and downloading MARC records. A patron with a new vehicle was dismayed to find that she could now use only CDs. The CD leasing program has given us a way to begin offering this format, to the delight of this patron and many others.
Griswold	\$1,016	Technology & Equipment	Complete automation project which will ultimately improve our efficiency and effectiveness.
Grundy Center	\$2,076	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Videotapes, DVDs, books, computer programs/updates; improve young people's programming. We are confident that this funding will improve our ability to provide materials and service for our young adults and children. Last summer we hired two performers for our summer library program. The children were thrilled and enjoyed every minute that they were here. You should have seen the smiles!
Guthrie Center	\$1,820	Materials & Supplies	Books, audio books and DVDs. With the deep, deep budget cuts from the city, we will, with this funding, be able to continue to provide audio books and more best sellers which we had been forced to limit due to lack of money.
Guttenberg	\$1,780	Materials & Supplies	New books, book repair supplies, newspaper on microfilm.
Hamburg	\$551	Materials & Supplies	New children's books. We had 83 children enrolled in the summer reading program. The new books help make reading pleasant and our library a fun place.
Hampton	\$2,781	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Reference and large print books, puppets, Discover Packs; computer station and installation for genealogy programs; Hampton Public Library Centennial Celebration; Bob Artley book signing. Discover Packs are great teaching tools for children in our Spanish speaking homes. Also, teachers often place these in the classroom, thus creating a nice partnership.
Hanlontown	\$935	Materials & Supplies	We use our Enrich Iowa funds to pay for our McNaughton book lease program. This allows us to receive new books, but because of limited space we find it important to be able to return them after everyone has read them.

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Harcourt	\$966	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio and reference books; Internet service. Direct state aid has helped us purchase additional books, audio books, etc., that we would not have been possible with budget cuts abounding! Our patrons love new books, especially bestsellers.
Harlan	\$3,010	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Large print books and audio books; computer server.
Harpers Ferry	\$483	Technology & Equipment	DSL Internet access for 11 months. With direct state aid, we were able to upgrade to DSL Internet services for our new Gates computers. This would have been hard to do without this money.
Hartley	\$1,638	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Accelerated reading books and possibly more CDs; filtering software. We hope for an increase in children's circulation by providing kids with a better selection.
Havelock	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Hawarden	\$2,006	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	CD audio book lease program, Encyclopedia Online; scanner. With direct state aid, we are able to serve more people satisfactorily.
Hawkeye	\$1,327	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Supplies for monthly children's programming; automation supplies (new cards); monitor for automated check out; blinds for windows, replace dead bushes; incentives to summer reading program. Our elementary age students get very excited about the different programs and activities that we provide for them each month.
Hedrick	\$494	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	EBSCOhost subscription, computer virus protection, technical training. This money allows us to continue having a summer library program. We had over 600 children's books read last summer, quite a feat for a small community of 810 people! This funding is life support to this library and we are happy to be able to continue our summer program.
Hiawatha	\$3,206	Personnel	Money will provide Sunday hours. Sundays are very busy with students doing homework and many patrons using the Internet.
Hillsboro	\$474	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Books; Minitet for Windows; Summer Reading Program
Holstein	\$1,574	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Books, videos, DVDs; exterior repairs and painting
Hopkinton	\$941	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Janitorial services; suitcase on wheels for trips to care facility; DVD collection; 2 video display spinners. People in town are beginning to ask for DVDs. I held off buying any, but this fall we have five donated to us, so we put them out and they are being used. This appears to be the entertainment of the future.
Hospers	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Hubbard	\$630	Furniture	Four computer chairs

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Hudson	\$1,803	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books; barcode reader for inventory.
Hull	\$1,299	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Leased audio books, DVDs; big books for toddler time and preschool story hour manuals. Patrons are more frequently using books on tape as they commute to work. Families also use them to listen to classics and other fun stories as they travel. DVDs are very popular and in demand. These funds will help our library stay current. Our toddler times program has brought new patrons into the library. Some of them have become very active users.
Humboldt	\$2,515	Materials & Supplies	Large print books, books on CD and audio tapes. We have a small but growing delivery service to shut-in patrons. Expanding our large print and audio selections allows us to better serve them. A middle-aged gentleman from out of state contacted us about providing books on CD for his mother, a nursing home patient. With these funds we are able to deliver four to six books on CD to her every month.
Humeston	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Huxley	\$1,222	Materials & Supplies	Enhance children's collection and expand audio book collection. The expansion of the audio book collection has been incredibly successful to commuters, fitness and recreation center users and older adults. There is a new excitement for this collection. More older adults are using the indoor walking track while listening to audio books. They love listening and not feeling "bored" while getting fit.
Ida Grove	\$1,799	Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Adult large print books, children's non-fiction books, adult and children's general fiction; two office chairs and folding tables; summer library program and preschoolers programs.
Independence	\$2,015	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children's books and adult audio books; help with purchase of a new server.
Indianola	\$4,603	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Children's easy reader books; Reference USA (online database); shelving; supplies for 120 th anniversary, children's programs. Without this funding we would not have been able to purchase the online database. Also, we have very few easy reader books, so this funding enables us to dramatically increase our collection and, consequently, better serve early readers.
Inwood	\$1,475	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Additional hours and training on computers; expand audio books, CDs and DVDs. We are trying an adult library program this winter and will use these funds for prizes and expenses. The remainder will go towards prizes and expenses of the summer reading program.
Ionia	\$1,346	Personnel; Library Programs	Librarian's salary; summer tutoring program with licensed teacher.

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Iowa City	\$18,878	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Technology training – three staff members will attend national Innovative User's Group Conference to learn how to best use our automated system; money will be used to help fund security and materials handling equipment for new building.
Iowa Falls	\$2,659	Materials & Supplies	Audio books on CD, books and book processing supplies. Because of direct state aid, we have been able to increase spending for certain parts of our collection, especially books on CD. The demand for these keeps increasing and it is difficult for us to keep up.
Jamaica	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Janesville	\$1,625	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Saturday staff; books
Jefferson	\$2,551	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Furniture	Start a graphic novel collection, new items for the Creative Learning Center; repair eave, lengthen sidewalk; start to redecorate library entryway (kiosk, signage)
Jesup	\$1,809	Materials & Supplies	World Book Encyclopedia, children's fiction and non-fiction, books on cassette or CD. Our current World Books are four years old. As is true with most libraries, we are seeing budget cuts at all levels; state, county and city. I could not justify spending \$800 out of my budget that has already been cut 10 percent. Our students are the ones suffering, so we now will have a newer set than the school library and we will try to buy some books to complement the school curriculum.
Jewell	\$1,634	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Additional materials for the collection; new barcode reader for circulation desk.
Johnston	\$3,702	Personnel	Additional staff and training
Joice	\$1,343	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Open three additional hours a week; electronic educational games for preschool to elementary-age children.
Kalona	\$1,306	Personnel	Children's librarian
Kanawha	\$1,503	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Training for staff; books and audio tapes; Internet line to another computer; summer reading supplies. With budget cuts, we are thankful for this extra funding to be used mainly for books and audio tapes. Our audio section is growing rapidly and this area has increased our circulation over the past year.
Kensett	\$943	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Children's and adult books; a table and chairs to put in our back room where adults and children can sit while viewing a video or have a meeting.
Keokuk	\$4,009	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New CDs, audio books and other media; technology costs. In these tight economic times, funding to supply increased materials and equipment for our users helps provide greater library service.
Keosauqua	\$987	Technology & Equipment	Service support contract; New copier
Keota	\$1,471	Capital Improvements	Carpet for reading room.

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Keystone	\$1,389	Capital Improvements	ADA push button outside door. People with strollers, wheelchairs and other disabilities will have easier access to the library.
Kimballton	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Kingsley	\$1,087	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Leasing books on tape; t-shirts and other supplies for our Summer Reading program
Klemme	\$1,429	Materials & Supplies	Books and audio books. With tighter and tighter budgets, I just don't know how small libraries would even be able to have the current bestsellers that our patrons want. Please keep this funding for us!
Knoxville	\$3,251	Technology & Equipment	In order to maintain excellent technical service to the people of our community, we will replace two of our 10 computers for patron use each year. If money is left over, it will be used to help purchase a new fax machine. In the past, direct state aid has enabled our library to offer more computers for Internet access, to help purchase a building for possible future expansion, and now we will be able to replace older, worn out computers. Several people who cannot afford home computer use the library's to communicate via e-mail with loved ones in the military who are stationed in the Mid-east.
Lacona	\$894	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	DVDs, CDs, audio books; new bookcase for juvenile non-fiction books.
Lake City	\$1,801	Materials & Supplies	Juvenile non-fiction and series fiction. Children's non-fiction and series fiction often have special appeal to struggling and/or reluctant young readers. These books help us to help these children learn to love books.
Lake Mills	\$1,798	Technology & Equipment	Software and technical support to establish a library website that would provide access to our catalog online. Each year, our direct state aid funds have gone for equipment or furniture that we would not have been able to purchase. With shrinking city and county budgets, we may begin using it for more books and other materials.
Lake Park	\$1,037	Technology & Equipment	Follett software to automate our library. Automation will make our collection more accessible to our patrons. When a patron wants children's books on a specific subject, this program will create a list of books.
Lake View	\$1,587	Technology & Equipment	Technical support. Hiring this person will provide faster service and less down time when we have computer problems.
Lakota	\$1,323	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Salaries; new books, magazines and videos; summer library program. Without this funding, I'm not sure how our library would be able to operate to its greatest potential. People are amazed at the resources we are able to obtain for a town our size.
Lamoni	\$1,195	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Audio books, videos and CDs; one computer and printer; lighting and wiring for outdoor sign; summer reading program. Budget cuts left the summer reading program unfunded. Direct state aid will allow us to plan for an effective summer program. Our demand for audio books, CDs and biographical videos is greater than our budget allows.

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Lamont	\$905	Materials & Supplies	Purchase book and audio books
Lansing	\$1,072	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Continuing education classes for director and more hours for assistant librarian; Internet access for one year; new card catalog cabinet; summer reading program.
LaPorte City	\$1,766	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Salaries and training; new books; summer library program and other library programs.
Larchwood	\$993	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Purchase graphic novels for our young adult collection; purchase a SHARP AL1551CS digital laser copier. Our present copier is in poor condition. We need a copier for our children and youth programs. The teenagers are asking for more materials in the graphic novel and imagery genre.
Laurel	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Laurens	\$1,593	Technology & Equipment	Networked digital copier
Lawler	\$1,399	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Salaries; books, CDs and audio books, story hour supplies; cartridges for printer and fax machine. Our library never had enough materials on explorers when the students needed them for school. Now we will be able to purchase them. The funding makes a difference for all of our patrons because they will have access to more information.
Ledyard	\$491	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Internet access; outside light for flag.
LeGrand	\$1,443	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New materials for children, juniors and young adults; computer upgrades.
Lehigh	\$1,441	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Continuing education for staff; salaries; books. With our staff computer training we are better able to answer questions from patrons on how to use computer programs. We are also better able to keep our computers up-to-date and help prevent computer problems. Our patrons like our book selections. They are able to get the books they need locally, without interlibrary loan.
LeMars	\$3,479	Furniture	A new ADA accessible circulation desk.
Lenox	\$1,513	Technology & Equipment	A new server and technical support. We've never been able to have a Follett software update because of lack of decent servers. Without this funding, we still wouldn't have. It has helped everyone because we have been able to connect our new Gateway computers to our cataloging, which the public likes better.
Leon	\$1,124	Materials & Supplies	Audio books.
Letts	\$1,360	Technology & Equipment	Computers and computer updates
Lewis	\$478	Personnel, Materials and Supplies; Capital Improvements; Other	Training for new librarian; young adult books; new sign, primer and paint for wall, minor roof edging materials; updated library brochures. This funding has allowed us to expand our book selections for different ages.

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Lime Springs	\$504	Technology & Equipment	New computer. The funding for the new computer has helped to update the library equipment. We patrons use this service daily.
Linden	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Linn Grove	\$490	Personnel	Direct state aid has been applied to our payroll so that we can continue to maintain our current hours of service. Our operating budget for this year has been cut 25 percent.
Lisbon	\$1,760	Materials & Supplies	Books, audio books and CDs for adults and children. Patrons young and old are always looking for "new" materials at the library. Our book budget had to be cut this year so that services and salaries could remain. We are glad to have this extra money for new, popular materials.
Little Rock	\$497	Personnel	Extended hours. Allowing us to add more hours to our week means we're more accessible to people. People who work late are able to come to the library when they get off.
Livermore	\$1,390	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Raises for staff; CDs for story hour and children's programs, children's reference and non-fiction books; shelving units for children's books. We have a lot of very young children in our community. Providing more books and CDs with my programs has taught the kids the library is a good and fun place to go. And hopefully the parent will pick up on the need and desire to read and learn. There is a low income, single mom in town with two young girls. Over the summer they visited the library a lot. Now the older girl is in story hour and loves to come and look at books or be read to. Her mom also has a place to come and visit.
Logan	\$1,599	Capital Improvements	New gutters outside. Our patrons are no longer doused with rain at the front door!
Lohrville	\$1,380	Personnel	Staff salaries, extended hours. We have been able to have the library open an extra morning. Our patrons really enjoy this.
Lost Nation	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Lowden	\$1,411	Materials & Supplies	New books
LuVerne	\$560	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Fiction and non-fiction books for all ages; summer library program supplies. The children really enjoy the summer library program. In a small town, there are not a lot of scheduled activities during the summer. Some of the senior citizens in LuVerne do not travel out of town very often. New books at the library can be the highlight of their week. The children's eyes light up when they see a display of new books to choose from.
Lynnville	\$670	Materials & Supplies	Videos, DVDs, adult fiction
Lytton	\$464	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Our library will begin automating in January, 2004. This money will be spent to help pay for a person to put information on the computer. It will also be spent for some of the necessary equipment needed for this BIG step forward.

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Madrid	\$1,272	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	DVDs, books on CD; update word processing computer
Mallard	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Malvern	\$1,006	Technology & Equipment	New computer. We have had an increase of patrons using the Internet, as well as the computer programs for homework assignments. Being able to use the computers at the library has been a lifesaver. I wouldn't be able to apply for my student funding as quickly. I will be taking my classes online.
Manchester	\$2,580	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Adult, young adult and children's books and materials; new software/upgrading to PAC and staff computers.
Manilla	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Manly	\$1,638	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Capital Improvements; Other	Children's books, cassettes and CDs; EBSCOhost subscription, emergency light and exit sign; anti-fatigue mat.
Manning	\$599	Materials & Supplies	New books.
Manson	\$1,289	Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Other	Upgrade computers; computer work station table and chair; frames for donated pictures of historical event in community, refurbish and upgrade around library. People want a warm, friendly environment that is well kept and clean.
Mapleton	\$1,576	Materials & Supplies	Start a new collection of DVDs and add to our books on CD's program.
Maquoketa	\$2,801	Materials & Supplies	Recorded books and additional DVD titles.
Marathon	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Marble Rock	\$964	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Adult and children's books; summer library program and adult programming.
Marcus	\$1,512	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New reference books; upgrade computer, new television and VCR/DVD player for meeting room and library programming. Because of direct state aid, we have been able to provide more materials for customers. Book prices are rising a little each year and our book budget has not increased in some time.
Marengo	\$1,379	Technology & Equipment	Automation project. With our automation system, we will be able to serve our patrons in a more efficient manner. We are replacing our old book charger system. This funding is appreciated by our library.
Marion	\$8,332	Capital Improvements	After only seven years, our library is becoming crowded, especially in our staff area. We will use our funding for building improvements, to reorganize this area in order to maximize efficiency and use of space.
Marshalltown	\$7,487	Personnel	This funding pays a part-time position which allows our library to remain open extended in hours. In FY04 we are open 65 hours a week.
Martelle	\$498	Materials & Supplies	Adult fiction books.

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Mason City	\$8,547	Personnel	Salaries. Funding for salaries is always a concern and whatever we can obtain helps us serve the public with adequate staff available.
Massena	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Maxwell	\$477	Technology & Equipment	New computer.
Maynard	\$901	Capital Improvements	Will convert a restroom into a storage room.
McGregor	\$1,663	Materials & Supplies	Audio books on CD and DVDs. These new medias are the most popular for our patrons who like to "read" books on trips, working in factories, or for those with vision problems.
Mechanicsville	\$1,526	Technology & Equipment	Server, software and supplies for automation of card catalog. This will help us modernize our library.
Mediapolis	\$1,237	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Fax machine for patron use; new book display. The new book display has added organization and beauty to our library. The fax machine has added a service to the community that we didn't have anywhere before.
Melbourne	\$979	Personnel; Library Programs	Additional staff hours required for Teen Scene reading programs; a new summer reading program for 5 th through 12 th graders. This age group has been underserved as they no longer "fit" in the traditional summer reading program. This has increased readers of this age group, who are now using the library on a regular basis.
Melcher-Dallas	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Melvin	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Menlo	\$521	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Salary for assistant; large print books; two virus update protectors. More and more of my patrons need large print materials. They are very grateful.
Merrill	\$510	Personnel; Furniture; Library Programs Library Programs	Increase staff salaries; desk and chair for new computer; use for summer library program.
Meservey	\$476	Other	Replaced old, cracking brick flag monument. Having a nice new monument in front of the library makes people want to come in and find out what's going on. It also makes people proud when they see a flagpole being put up or being updated.
Milford	\$1,878	Materials & Supplies	DVDs, CDs
Milo	\$995	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Training to associate; materials for library display areas and shelf labeling system; computer station chair(s); 30 th anniversary program and promotional materials for the library.
Milton	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Minburn	\$897	Furniture	New shelving
Mingo	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		

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Missouri Valley	\$1,316	Materials & Supplies	New Popular Science set, new reference books for children. We always need some items updated that we really don't have money for in our budget. We really appreciate this money each year. Hope it keeps coming.
Mitchellville	\$1,690	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Videos, DVDs, audio books, books; new computers. We are able to offer a larger variety of new books, movies and audio books.
Modale	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Mondamin	\$510	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Will improve our collection of materials and provide more current resources. We will also develop programs that facilitate our service to the public.
Monona	\$1,678	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Other	One year subscription for one book level to Junior Library Guild; Spectrum (circulation software) support, computer repair and maintenance, renew virus software on computer; computer stand; Aable pest control (termite detection stations). With last year's state funding, the library purchased a new color printer/fax/scanner. With the addition of the scanner, we have added a much asked for service. We have a patron who uses our scanner to send pictures of quilt patterns to a contact in England. Every time he comes in the library, he thanks us for offering this service.
Monroe	\$546	Materials & Supplies	Magazine subscriptions, books on tape. With direct state aid, we will have magazines available to people who cannot afford to buy them. This is very helpful in tough economic times.
Montezuma	\$635	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	Electronic or digital products and systems, DVDs, CDs, CD-Roms; summer reading program supplies and incentives; preschool story time supplies.
Monticello	\$835	Technology & Equipment	Convert records for automation project. This will make a big difference in staff time and also be more helpful to patrons. We will be able to tell patrons how many books they have checked out and when they are due.
Montrose	\$498	Materials & Supplies	Books and supplies.
Moorhead	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Moravia	\$1,376	Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Other	Label protectors and DVD protectors, books, audio books, CDs, DVDs, videos; magazine shelves, cabinet for CPU, microfilm. More current issues of magazines maybe readily accessed by patrons. The local newspaper will be updated on microfilm. The CPU cabinet would help cut down on maintenance, plus bring more consistency to library equipment. The microfilm helped a family regain scrapbook memories that were lost when their home was destroyed by fire.
Morley	\$440	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	DVDs; computer credenza, hutch. Because of direct state aid, we have been able to purchase extra items every year.

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Morning Sun	\$1,468	Capital Improvements	Remodeling large print shelving; purchase row of fiction shelving. Improving the shelving has made the materials more accessible to the patrons and has improved the physical appearance of the library. Books are now displayed correctly, making selection much more available.
Moulton	\$1,388	Personnel	Continuation of extended hours; library director salary increase. The continuation of the library's extended hours has made a difference in a number of children's lives. Thanks to the longer hours, several of our young people have been able to take advantage of many of the services we offer to help in their studies. Also, many of our young adults are spending more of their free time here as well.
Mt. Ayr	\$713	Personnel; Furniture; Library Programs	Training for librarian (Public Library Management II); book shelves for paperbacks; summer library program. We have been able to offer more programs in our community. Public Library Management II made me more aware of the need to expand outreach programs. I believe this funding has helped me relate better to children. I visited the after school program and talked to many children who were very enthusiastic about the library.
Mt. Pleasant	\$3,418	Materials & Supplies	New audio materials and Chinese/Vietnamese materials.
Mt. Vernon	\$2,059	Materials & Supplies	Books and read-along (book tape) sets for children. Beginning with a gift from the Greater Cedar Rapids Foundation, we have started a "read-along" collection in our children's room. Now with our Enrich Iowa funds we have doubled the collection. A young mother told us that her son had little interest in books until she took home a couple of "read-along" sets. Now he's enthusiastic about those and is checking some out at each visit. It has changed his attitude toward reading. He struggled with reading at school, so now he is feeling successful.
Murray	\$496	Materials & Supplies	Books, videos, audio books, update reference section. Direct state aid will enable us to add books that will benefit the library collection and it will help us build our video selections.
Muscatine	\$5,384	Library Programs; Other	Special cultural programming; publish a bi-monthly programming publication for the community.
Nashua	\$1,700	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Staff salaries; books. Reductions in funding have forced the library to spend less on books. This money will allow the library to put books on the shelf that our patrons are requesting.
Nevada	\$3,194	Materials & Supplies	Our materials budget was cut by several thousand dollars after the Reinvention bill. We will use direct state aid for materials – adult books, audio books.
New Albin	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
New Hampton	\$2,232	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Audio book subscription; duplicate copies for book discussion groups; ALA membership.

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New Hartford	\$501	Technology & Equipment	We continue to use these funds for our second telephone line (fax machine and computer) and for the monthly phone bill. With a second telephone, we provide another service to our community – the use of a fax machine. Plus the extra telephone for the Internet frees up the other line so patrons can still call in for other needs.
New London	\$1,182	Technology & Equipment	Computer equipment and software. We are providing access to computers and Internet to those who do not have their own.
New Market	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
New Sharon	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
New Virginia	\$915	Materials & Supplies	New 2004 World Book Encyclopedia, books on the accelerated reading list. Please know that this funding is very important to us. Thanks so very much.
Newell	\$1,460	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Other	More books, books on tape, DVDs and videos, video and DVD supplies, children's books; technical support for computers and automation system; new books on tape display case; copy paper; four static free clear computer mats.
Newhall	\$977	Personnel	We will continue to use our direct state aid money to maintain our current hours which were originally increased because of this funding. It makes it easier for our patrons to use the library according to their schedules.
Newton	\$5,517	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Library cards; database access; table. Direct state aid allows us to continue with the enhanced version of our library catalog making it available to patrons on the web.
Nora Springs	\$1,716	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Books on CD, paper holders for storage unit in office; books for the book discussion group.
North English	\$1,553	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Audio books, CDs, DVDs and videos; 2004 licenses for automation and a new scanner; new computer chair; summer reading program, celebration of North English' 150 th anniversary with an open house with guest George Wine, who wrote a book about University of Iowa athletics,
North Liberty	\$2,714	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Hire work/study assistants; AV materials; adult book discussions and other adult programs. We had the opportunity to have several authors at the library, including Elizabeth McCracken. It has helped to be able to hire work/study students. Kirkwood pays 75 percent of their salary and the direct state aid pays the other 25 percent.
Northwood	\$1,219	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Training for support staff; inspirational books, children's easy reader books, Chilton auto repair manuals, children's non-fiction, books on tape. Staff was able to attend computer classes to better aid customers with computer access.
Norwalk	\$2,911	Technology & Equipment	Plan to replace several end-of-lease computers.
Norway	\$932	Furniture	More shelving, especially in the children's area.

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Oakland	\$1,665	Personnel; Library Programs	Extra staff for summer reading program; summer reading program prizes. Our summer circulation keeps increasing. We have new patrons and make a lot of people happy. One patron wrote a letter to our city council praising our summer reading program. In her letter she said, "The summer reading program provides the incentive needed to keep children reading during the summer."
Ocheyedan	\$970	Personnel	Salaries to cover extended hours for training and planning programs related to the addition of the Gates computers. There is a new focus on technology in our library. The direct state aid funding supports specific training, allowing staff to better serve patrons and community. This funding is making a difference in the lives of our staff and volunteers. It supports and encourages the process of acquiring new skills. It's a catalyst for seeing the "source" of information in a different light. Collectively and over time, these changes and attitudes impact the entire community.
Odebolt	\$1,569	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Extended hours, salaries of five staff members now more equal to other city employees; will help purchase new encyclopedias.
Oelwein	\$2,024	Materials & Supplies	Audio cassettes, books on CD, adult and children's books. Because of the economy and unemployment problems, more people are using the library for their reading and information needs. The nursing home residents, as well as shut-ins, are relying on the audio cassettes and the CDs for their recreational needs. They look forward to the new materials.
Ogden	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Olin	\$567		Report Not Received
Onawa	\$1,439	Furniture	Direct state aid will help us furnish our expansion/renovation project.
Orange City	\$2,776	Materials & Supplies	These funds will be used to further develop our DVD, video, books on CD, books on cassette, and music CD collections
Orient	\$464	Materials & Supplies	Books, large print books. Hopefully some of the regular patrons will enjoy the large print titles and perhaps we will be able to draw in a few new readers.
Osage	\$2,341	Materials & Supplies	Large print books, audio books. The large print collection serves our elderly population. (We are second highest in the state). They have more titles to choose from. The audio collection (books on tape) fits people's lifestyles. I have several customers tell me they are thrilled to not have to use their glasses to read, especially when walking on a treadmill.
Osceola	\$1,575	Technology & Equipment	This funding will help replace old computers.
Oskaloosa	\$4,520	Personnel	Salaries for additional staff to extend hours. We are able to add five additional hours a week which helps ensure compliance with continued certification requirements.

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Ossian	\$1,503	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Extended hours for summer reading program; audio books lease plan; incentives and books for summer library program. The community has much more current audio books than we would be able to afford if not for the lease program. Without the state programs, we would have to cut spending in several areas. One mother whose son participated in the summer reading program told me her son's reading had improved over the summer. He had been struggling prior to that. He came to almost all of the programs and brought others with him.
Ottumwa	\$4,875	Capital Improvements; Furniture	Plaster repair to inside dome and walls; new reference room furniture where we are remodeling. We have a received a grant, but this money will allow us to complete our project of remodeling the adult department in our 100-year-old library.
Oxford	\$526	Materials & Supplies	Adult fiction and non-fiction, children's fiction. Direct state aid helps us increase and improve our collections. A young woman diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease asked for some inspirational material. We were able to locate a biography of a cancer survivor.
Oxford Junction	\$1,424	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Phone and fax machine; new shelving
Packwood	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Palmer	\$461	Personnel	Extended hours; staff training on Gates computers. We are open after 5 p.m., which the public enjoys.
Panora	\$1,611	Materials & Supplies	Power Point projector. This will help several organizations and groups that use Power Point presentations. These are also being done more in the schools.
Parkersburg	\$1,700	Furniture; Other	Will help pay for a computer table; kitchen stove
Paton	\$1,271	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Books, magazines, audio books and supplies; summer reading program. We hope to update our non-fiction collection in the children's and adult departments. Our children's books are very outdated and worn. Each year fourth grade students must complete reports on individual states. Our library currently has no material to loan them. Materials must be borrowed from other libraries (interlibrary loan) or patron must use another source. New materials will make it easier for them.
Paullina	\$1,496	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Audio books, CDs; additional shelving for audio books
Pella	\$3,772	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Videos, DVDs, music CDs; two new computers for public use
Perry	\$3,221	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Library consultant; computer software. The library consultant has allowed us to maintain a high level of service. We are able to manage technical equipment and provide a progressive philosophy for securing information.

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Peterson	\$923	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Staff salaries for training and summer reading programs; books and audio books, CDs and supplies; summer reading program supplies.
Plainfield	\$1,400	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Salaries for additional staff; children's books, videos; one monitor for computer, computer program for cataloging; paint for library, more flowers and bushes for landscape; materials for summer reading program. With additional staff, we are able to provide better service to our patrons. These funds really do let us do things that are not in our budget.
Pleasant Hill	\$2,968	Technology & Equipment	New public access computers. Maintaining patron use computers is an ongoing struggle. The direct state aid funds will help us replace computers so patrons have efficient hardware to utilize.
Pleasantville	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Plover	\$448	Personnel; Library Programs	Extended hours; summer reading program supplies. Many people have commented on the extended hours and expressed their appreciation for the longer hours on Saturdays. The local children enjoy our summer reading program so much they ask all winter long – "When does the reading program start?" They look forward to the fund, the programs, the reading and the prizes.
Pocahontas	\$1,708	Personnel	Fund will be used to continue to provide salaries for improved services to children; specifically, with an outreach program of story times to daycare providers in their homes, and staffing for after-school hours that require intensive assistance and supervision. One young patron spends nearly every afternoon after school with us. When he first started coming, he was angry, disruptive and lacking in self-esteem. We now see him smiling more, interacting more positively with his peers and hugging library staff members!
Polk City	\$662	Personnel	Computer consultant. The computers are now always up and running. Our web site is maintained and people are always commenting on events they see on the site, which includes community programs.
Pomeroy	\$1,024	Furniture; Library Programs	New circulation desk that is handicapped accessible; Books for Baby program. We will be able to serve our handicapped patrons and small children better. Our Books for Baby program is a success and we want to continue it.
Postville	\$1,876	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Audio books; bookshelves. We have many truck drivers in the area who use the audio books.
Prairie City	\$1,030	Furniture	More shelving for our collection.
Prescott	\$447	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	Videos; fax machine; book cart; children's programs; cleaned carpet.

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Preston	\$1,498	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	DVDs and videos, non-fiction and fiction books, holiday craft books; 20 new software programs for pre-schoolers; funding towards a new copy machine; supplies and prizes for the summer reading program. Library service has improved as a result of this funding. Several of the youngsters who attend our Tuesday morning story hour are now staying after to use the computers. Parents are also making return visits for additional computer time for their children.
Primghar	\$1,441	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's books; videos. Due to the economy, we have many more patrons asking for best sellers and books written by Iowa authors. With this addition of funds, we will be able to keep our shelves stocked with the materials our patrons want.
Quimby	\$481	Furniture	New computer chairs
Radcliffe	\$1,012	Capital Improvements	Shingles for new roof
Rake	\$536	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Training on new Gates computers; fiction and non-fiction adult materials; summer library program supplies
Randolph	\$873	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Children's books, CDs; summer library program, day camp on Lewis and Clark.
Readlyn	\$1,518	Furniture; Library Programs	Additional shelving for our children's books; special kick-off program for summer reading, possibly Steven's Children's Theater.
Red Oak	\$2,002	Capital Improvements	Exterior painting and wiring are scheduled for spring 2004. With direct state aid, we have been able to provide improvements over the years that we would not have been able to do otherwise. As the funding has helped our Internet service grow, we have been able to offer continuing education and job searches for people who would not have received them. We have been able to observe people obtaining new jobs and degrees through these added services.
Redfield	\$979	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Native American books, DVDs, audio books, videos, children's chapter books, book club books; summer library program, incentives. We were able to add to our non-print collection without using the book budget. We are a small community without a video store. People commuting to work appreciate the extra audio books.
Reinbeck	\$1,817	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Iowa Children's Choice, Iowa Teen Award and High School Book Award books, DVDs; HP color printer and cartridges; chairs.
Rembrandt	\$898	Personnel; Other	Open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Now that we have the new Gates computers, we are even busier on Saturdays. We sent out 432 books to other libraries across the state last year. This helps pay for some of the postage it costs for us to do this. Our Spanish family in Rembrandt has been able to come in on Saturdays and use the computers. They are very appreciative.

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Remsen	\$1,181	Materials & Supplies	Large print books. We have numerous patrons who read our large print books and we are always updating our selection.
Renwick	\$1,362	Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Computer games, books on CD; new computer chair; summer reading program, more story hours. We have one family who does not have a lot of money and their children come and participate in the summer reading program. They enjoy reading and winning prizes is great for them.
Riceville	\$1,575	Materials & Supplies	New books, audio tapes and videos
Richland	\$1,308	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Salary for additional staff to assist in day care and kindergarten reading programs; purchase current books and card supplies; summer reading program. Our library is able to take children's books and videos to a day care center and three kindergarten classes every other week. Many of the children came to our library with their parents and began checking out books on a regular basis. Many are children who would have no other contact with a library. They are introduced to the great stories that are in libraries through this program.
Ringsted	\$465	Materials & Supplies;	Children's books, books on tape
Rippey	\$469	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Staff for summer reading program; books, games, craft supplies, paper and ink cartridge; lights and light fixtures installed; two computer desks; summer reading program materials. Without direct state aid, our small library could not have presented a great summer reading program. It brings children to our library and helps them discover the other treasures we have to offer.
Rock Rapids	\$1,355	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Videos, audio tapes; computer service.
Rock Valley	\$2,059	Technology & Equipment	Upgrade automation from DOS to Windows.
Rockford	\$1,068	Materials & Supplies	New adult fiction books.
Rockwell	\$1,576	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Videos and DVDs; furniture for children's area. We have been able to purchase items that were not included in our budget. These items have made the library more user friendly. We have a number of students who use the library after school. Because of the extra funding, we have been able to add computers, provide more books and make the library a nice place to be.
Rockwell City	\$1,357	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Books on tape and CDs, large print books; brick and cement work on the building's exterior.
Roland	\$1,590	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	DVDs, videotapes, supplies for processing AV materials; DSL service. We are able to provide the materials our patrons have grown to expect from us.

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Rolfe	\$944	Technology & Equipment	Gateway computer. Until now we have had only one computer with Internet access, so people would have to wait many times or would leave without using it. Now we are able to serve our patrons immediately.
Rowan	\$1,006	Technology & Equipment	A new computer. Patrons are now able to look up books on their own through our online card catalog.
Royal	\$470	Personnel	Extended hours and salary.
Rudd	\$982	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Salaries while working on the automation project; new children's books; rug, table and chairs for children's area; incentives for summer reading program. The number of kids attending has increased. This year, direct state aid has really helped us improve the children's area, making it more inviting for the kids in our community. We have a family with three children and the kids have really taken an interest in books. They come in every week now to get new books, and sit down and look at them while their mother looks for herself. They have a great time!
Ruthven	\$583	Technology & Equipment	Upgrade computer or purchase new one. Not everyone has a computer at home and we see it as the library's role to help bridge the digital divide.
Sabula	\$1,410	Materials & Supplies	Books and videos.
Sac City	\$1,853	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	The library director has agreed to teach classes on "birth to 5" for child care providers, social service mothers. This is a series of classes on the importance of reading and other stimulations to assist children in learning. She will give book talks and lead a senior book discussion outside of library hours. We purchased a reader/printer last year and tried to use the old carriage. It does not work well and frustrates our patrons. We will use these funds toward a new carriage.
Salem	\$509		Report Not Received
Sanborn	\$559	Technology & Equipment	Printer, computer update. We would not be able to do these things without direct state aid.
Schaller	\$570	Capital Improvements	Improve walls in library. They are very bright and cheery now. The interior had not been updated since 1971! An elderly gentleman, age 95, who still comes to read said, "My, this looks wonderful. It's so clean and bright."
Schleswig	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Scott County	\$13,187	Capital Improvements	Helped with the construction of new headquarters / Eldridge branch library.
Scranton	\$1,389	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Additional part-time clerk; videos and DVDs.
Sergeant Bluff	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Seymour	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Sheffield	\$1,653	Personnel	Assistant director completed Public Library Management class and increased work hours. Because she was certified, she received a pay increase and is now more qualified to assist the director.

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Sheldon	\$2,382	Materials & Supplies	Audio books, books on tape, CDs and children's books.
Shell Rock	\$1,548	Furniture	Book shelves. Our books can now be shelved without crowding and fear of shelves collapsing. Our new shelves are beautiful and will last a very long time.
Shellsburg	\$983	Personnel	Saturday and story hour salaries. Library service has improved in the community as the patrons have access to the computers/technology in the library on Saturday mornings. Also, our story hour numbers (attendance) have remained steady by offering story hour each year at the same time. this funding has allowed a young teen to spend her time in the library instead of being at home alone. She spends her time on the computers and helping do various things in the library.
Shenandoah	\$2,635	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Auto repair CDs, themed boxes for preschoolers; special centennial programs. The auto repair CDs will replace the hole created by Chilton's ceasing to publish. The new child care center in town will combine all preschools, daycares and Head Start into one location and we will need to be prepared for new and different demands/services. And, we hope to make a big splash in town with our centennial celebration. The Key Readers program we developed last year with these funds has been appreciated by our faithful, regular readers. They enjoy the first stage reward – the reading journal and the extra privileges of the second stage – the Gold Card. They are our core!
Sibley	\$1,322	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	We used our direct state aid money last year to start a CD book collection. Because of the state budget cuts, we will have to use it for this again. It's too valuable a program to drop it. Will use what is left on summer reading program prizes. It is a big morale booster to have this check come in the mail! It gives us something to look forward to, especially when times are so tough right now.
Sidney	\$1,043	Personnel; Library Programs; Other	Continuing education seminars; summer reading program materials; Humanities Iowa program; Helpful Hints Almanac (books to sell for a fundraiser), advertisements for programs, postage. Any money that we receive from any source helps with our budget, enabling us to save for our building project.
Sigourney	\$1,227	Capital Improvements	We are in the early stages of building a new library that will be handicapped accessible. The funds will be used to purchase signage for the interior.
Silver City	\$453	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books and audio books; software for teaching computer classes to the elderly.
Sioux Center	\$2,874	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Audio books; printer for Internet computers; shelving

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Sioux City	\$21,041	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Replacements and updates for children's and adult books; enhance audio-visual collections with new books on tape and CDs, processing and cataloging supplies for new materials; furnishings for Marketplace Branch Library transition. We continue to see increased use of our audio-visual collections and state funds allow us to continue to build those collections.
Sioux Rapids	\$975	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Continuing education courses; books, library and program supplies; Norton antivirus upgrades for three computers; supplies, incentives and treats for summer reading program. Without this funding, we would have to cut our book buying, summer reading programs, and other programming a great deal. We would have to eliminate our reading challenges. This helps make up for our losses due to the budget cuts. This funding has helped to bring low-income children in our area into the library for our holiday reading programs. It has helped them with one-on-one personal attention. It enables us to buy small gifts as incentives for our Christmas challenge. Some of these children have so little that a new book is a real thrill for them.
Slater	\$1,474	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	New computer for patrons; supplies for summer reading program. One of our patron computers was totally worn out and unusable. We were short a computer and were turning patrons away. Now, we can provide for their computer needs.
Sloan	\$985	Technology & Equipment	Purchased additional computer to serve the public that has a lot of extras on it.
Soldier	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Solon	\$1,985	Technology & Equipment	Update public computers.
Somers (np)	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
South English	\$428	Furniture; Library Programs	Video rack; summer reading program. We are able to have more programs for the children because of direct state aid. It has helped make more people aware of the resources we have. I think this money has probably made the lives of our children and young adults better. I am able to do much more for the children's programs.
Spencer	\$3,986	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Audio books, CD leasing program; flatbed scanner, OCR software, digital camera adapter for Gates computers, replacement computer; reinforce ICN cabinets, additional doors to cover monitors when not in use. Our patrons are excited about the new possibilities.
Spillville	\$1,351	Personnel	Wages and extra hours. The extra hours make our collection more accessible. We have a variety of work shifts in our community. Making hours available at different times helps.
Spirit Lake	\$2,465	Personnel	Salaries for additional staff in peak season during summer tourist time. The additional staff person makes it possible for us to have a designated staffer in the children's area during all library hours. This enables the summer reading program to run more smoothly. It also provides a warmer welcome to our young patrons and their parents.

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Springville	\$565		Report Not Received
St. Ansgar	\$1,644	Capital Improvements; Furniture	Finish roof repair, replace windows. These projects will be very worthwhile for our library and community. The upkeep of the building is important. Without it, there would be no library in our community.
St. Charles	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Stacyville	\$1,042	Materials & Supplies	Books and audio books for young adult and juvenile sections.
Stanhope	\$969	Capital Improvements	New shelving. We feel that updating our shelving makes our library look "more professional," as one patron remarked. As for me, adjustable shelving is a real boon! I'm thrilled.
Stanton	\$1,413	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Extended library hours; adult books; update the scanner, purchase black and color ink cartridges. The continuation of extended hours allows patrons to check out books after work and on Saturdays.
Stanwood	\$934	Technology & Equipment	Automation project. Enrich Iowa money has helped our community by providing the library with updated technology. We hope to use the money for automation which will help us with our bookkeeping and help patrons find books easier.
State Center	\$1,052	Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Printers, Norton antivirus software; book cases and shelving; summer library program.
Steamboat Rock	\$949	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	2004 World Book Encyclopedia; Alliance Plus (cataloging software). We were able to update our encyclopedias sooner than we thought.
Stockport	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Storm Lake	\$3,887	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Library books, videos and DVDs; microfilming of local newspapers
Story City	\$2,023	Personnel	To compensate for the budget cuts, the funds were used for personnel. We are able to maintain our hours and our current staff and give a small increase in wages.
Stratford	\$1,471	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Computer training; books; fax machine. Our training has helped us better serve our patrons on the computers and has increased our computer usage at the library. The library fax machine had to be replaced. A patron called at 5:30 p.m. one evening and had to have papers faxed by 6 p.m. The library is the only business in town open with a fax machine.
Strawberry Point	\$1,638	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Audio books; shelving for audio books.

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Stuart	\$1,249	Technology & Equipment	Scanner, printer and equipment for automation. We are purchasing an automation system. This will allow us to have more equipment. This funding will help free up budget money so we can have our catalog online for patron use. This will be especially helpful to our readers in the care center as they will be able to reserve books they want to read. It will also help the school system as we will be better able to share resources. Teachers and students will know if we have a certain item available.
Sully	\$1,681	Materials & Supplies	Books and videos. This year, our small library had budget cuts of \$14,000 so we are unable to purchase the materials we would like to. Direct state aid will allow us to purchase books and videos for our collection.
Sumner	\$1,300	Materials & Supplies	Audio books and CDs. Listening to audio books while commuting or working in a factory has added to the quality of life. Our customers wait for new orders to come in so they have a new selection to choose from. For many people, it is the only format that they check out at the library.
Superior	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Sutherland	\$1,398	Materials & Supplies	Books, audio books, videos. We are able to supply a wider selection of materials in all formats. Large print books and audio books are needed more now with our aging population. We have a patron who was very depressed following cataract surgery. I was able to direct her to audio books and later to large print so she was able to continue 'reading.' She says it saved her sanity.
Swaledale	\$879	Capital Improvements	Building siding. Direct state aid allows us to do special projects that we wouldn't be able to afford otherwise. Last year we purchased high quality computer furniture for our Gate's computers. This year we plan to side the outside walls.
Swea City	\$1,429	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Salary for story time and summer reading program staff; children's and adult books, videos, DVDs (new service); send children's librarian to summer library reading workshop; help pay for utilities if gas prices rise as drastically as predicted. Less or static funding, more patron needs, low salaries for workers...your funding is extremely welcome!
Tabor	\$555	Materials & Supplies	Books for children and adults. Patrons have found that their choices of authors and books do count. We have made it clear that these books were purchased with direct state aid funds. We have a young person who volunteered to read a book for our Junior Book Club, but never got around to it. I picked out a few interesting books that are a level above what had been set for reading. She is now reading one of those books and we are going to include her opinion of it in our library newsletter. She has brought a friend in to read also.

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Tama	\$1,900	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Books on CD and DVDs; new computer or fax machine; summer reading program supplies. Direct state aid funding has allowed us to purchase technology that we would not have been able to afford. Since we have so many unemployed people in our town because of the casino closing, our patrons have 11 public access computers which they use for job searches and writing resumes. Some use them to just help pass the time. Many people cannot afford computers or the Internet so this is a great service for our community.
Terril	\$916	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	World Book Encyclopedia, Dewey decimal classification book; installation of printer, fax machine.
Thompson	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Thornton	\$1,368	Materials & Supplies	Large print books, audio books, health books, replacement books of children's favorites. Patrons are very happy that we can provide materials that they request.
Tiffin	\$466	Personnel	Increased hours.
Tipton	\$746	Capital Improvements	Direct state aid will be used to replace lights in the original part of the building, which will improve the reading atmosphere.
Titonka	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Toledo	\$1,830	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Staff hours to support outreach services, specifically nursing home deliveries of LP, audio and regular print books; large print and audio materials for our collection, which will help support our deliveries to the homebound and nursing homes.
Traer	\$1,115	Materials & Supplies	New books on CD and DVDs. The books on tape are wearing out and are very picked over. Patrons have requested new books and we were not able to get many because of our funds. We are now able to update our collection and get boons on CD for people with CD players in their cars. We also have several people who have DVD players in their homes. We have a truck driver who makes long trips and he likes to listen to books on tape. His truck vibrates so much it loosens up the tapes and they are to play or they break. It's easier for him to play a CD now...it won't break!
Tripoli	\$1,159	Technology & Equipment	Upgraded six computers to XP and added more memory to one computer. Improving our computers has allowed the Gates computers and software to share more effectively. All computers will have the same screen, profiles and capability.
Truro	\$956	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Continuing education for director; DVDs to help start our collection, books.
Union	\$1,510	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Extended hours; an assortment of library materials. The morning hours are especially appreciated by our older patrons.
Urbandale	\$8,899	Technology & Equipment	New computers.

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Ute	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Van Horne	\$945	Materials & Supplies	Best sellers and young adult books. One of our patrons in her early teens was having a hard time finding books that she wanted to read from an award list she received at school. I copied the list and have been adding titles to our selection. She comes in now to find out what we have and goes home with twice as many books to read.
Van Meter	\$536	Materials & Supplies	Audio books on tape and CD
Varina	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Ventura	\$1,442	Materials & Supplies	Update reference collection. Will focus on children's homework needs. Our public school's media center has very little material for homework needs. School kids are using our library at an all time high to take care of homework. Currently we are working together to provide reference material for our kids. I'm getting a "needs" list together so I know what to add to our collection.
Victor	\$1,543	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	DVDs, CDs; upgrade computers (anti-virus software), technical support. With direct state aid, we are able to offer a variety of materials and services, including the DVDs and CDs.
Villisca	\$1,094	Materials & Supplies	New books and videos. The county cut the money they give us this year by \$3,303. We had to cut our book and video budget by quite a bit. Direct state aid will help us to purchase more books and videos. We have a lot of elderly patrons who are unable to do any physical work, so they read a lot. They really appreciate all the books they can get here at the library. It is really hard to keep up with some of them.
Vinton	\$2,509	Personnel; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Part-time staff. We couldn't do a 10 week summer program without them; light on outdoor flag; summer reading program supplies. Additional staff makes for a less frenzied staff, which allows for better service. We aim to please, and very often we score bulls-eyes!
Volga	\$457	Personnel	Extended hours. After receiving the Gates computers, we thought the additional hours were necessary to better serve the public. It also allows us to be open later on Mondays and Wednesdays for people who work, and to be open on Thursday for the elderly who attend the meal site next door to the library.
Wadena	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Wall Lake	\$1,485	Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Large print books, audio cassettes, video cassettes; metal AV cart; summer library program supplies.

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Walnut	\$955	Furniture	Additional shelving for the library. We have used direct state aid in the past to purchase a new computer for the library. It was a great improvement over our old computer. Usage by our patrons was much greater. We have also used the funds to improve our handicapped accessibility, which has made it so much easier for our older patrons to enter the building. We have a large number of elderly patrons. The improvements we were able to make to our entrance have made it easier for them to enter the building.
Wapello	\$1,768	Capital Improvements	Lighting improvements. The ceiling in the adult stacks room was lowered, but not the light fixtures. Fixtures are old and some areas are poorly lit. New lighting is badly needed.
Washington	\$2,208	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	New Spanish materials; film and audio book subscriptions; wiring for new computers; computer table for Gates grant computers.
Washta	\$886	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Books, audio books, CDs, videos; task chair. Our patronage/circulation continues to increase as we are able to buy more new materials. Our low economy area serves many families with books, CDs, and videos while our facility provides safety for children and the opportunity to use these materials plus computers.
Waterloo	\$17,930	Personnel	This funding is ensuring the implementation of a new program/grant called Gray Matters by providing for the project coordinator's salary. The new program targets seniors and those who live in retirement/nursing homes. The program will provide aids and devices to enhance reading abilities for seniors, and will also provide motorized carts and special walkers for those with mobility problems. We know from the success of the 3 rd Age Project that this program will continue to change the lives of area seniors.
Waterville	\$401	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Computer software; new front window; new book cases; a structured program (ACCLC) for after school children. More rural children were able to use the library services as a result of the after school program and began to bring their parents.
Waucoma	\$1,278	Materials & Supplies	DVDs, videos, story hour supplies, books. The patrons are enjoying our expanded DVD collection and our new, up-to-date books. With additional story hour supplies, we are better able to do crafts and activities for the children of Waucoma.
Waukee	\$2,475	Technology & Equipment	Helped to purchase a staff photo copier which provides clearer, more legible program announcements and reference copies for our patrons. We plan in the future to network the copier to patron computers to use as a printer.
Waukon	\$2,533	Capital Improvements	Convert our front doors for automatic handicapped accessibility.
Waverly	\$3,587	Personnel	Information technology support. The library was able to upgrade software and hardware, including changing to Citrix for long-term cost containment.

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Webb	\$454	Personnel	Extended library hours, training. The public has more accessibility to the new Gates computers during evening and Saturday hours. A junior high age girl was able to come in after school and get a report off our computer to use in class the next day.
Webster City	\$3,345	Materials & Supplies	Baker & Taylor Book Lease Program. Thanks to this funding, Kendall Young Library has been able to continue purchasing adult library materials. Without this funding, we would need to cut the materials budget.
Wellman	\$1,593	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio cassettes, start new collection of books on CDs; bar code scanner, stand and USB kit. When our city and county funding has been limited, direct state aid will enable us to purchase a bar code scanner, stand and adapter. We'll be better able to serve our customers. Many of our patrons commute to work and/or drive semi trucks across the country. They really enjoy both the audio books and CDs. This will enable us to expand our collection to better meet their needs.
Wellsburg	\$1,538	Technology & Equipment	Follett automation software, EPSON color printer. With this year's direct state aid, we will be able to begin the automation system that our patrons are wanting. With last year's money, we purchased preschool software and music CDs. Both the daycare and the preschool have been using the materials and encouraging parents to check them out.
Wesley	\$948	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Salary increases for staff; adult large print books and audio books; laminating machine and supplies; incentives and supplies for summer reading program. Direct state aid funding has allowed us to purchase items for our library that we normally would not buy, such as several large print books, summer reading supplies and books on tape. We have so many children who appreciate the incentives and prizes we offer during our summer reading program. Direct state aid makes it possible for our library to "brighten" the children's summer with great books and prizes.
West Bend	\$1,543	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	CDs and non-fiction books; story hour and summer reading programs; new toddler time program.
West Branch	\$1,776	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Part-time staff. We would have to cut back hours of operation without them. Expand our DVD collection and books on tape. West Branch is a rural community heavily dependent on agriculture. We have an aging population with a nursing home and assisted living facility. Our expanded books on tape collection has been of great benefit to our elderly patrons who have experienced diminished reading abilities.
West Des Moines	\$12,140	Materials & Supplies	Will improve our collection. We had a student who was able to find a book on an obscure topic.
West Liberty	\$2,052	Materials & Supplies	Adult books, DVDs, audio books.
West Point	\$1,034	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Juvenile and young adult books; purchase additional computers.

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West Union	\$1,855	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Computer training; DVDs; DVD player; interior signage. We plan to offer independent/foreign films to the public once a month. We have no theater or access to films other than the mainstream movies that are available.
Westgate	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Westside	\$444	Furniture	New shelving. We updated our facility and added much need shelving for our adult fiction section.
What Cheer	\$928	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Staff training; DEMCO, books, computer ink and paper; story hour; summer library program.
Wheatland	\$458	Materials & Supplies	Program for putting our books on computer.
Whiting	\$1,375	Personnel	Direct state aid makes it possible to expand our hours. Without it, we would have to cut four hours a week.
Whittemore	\$1,398	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Audio books; more lighting in the library.
Williams	\$1,424	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Audio books; new wiring for new computers and server; seating for new computer center; summer library program posters, incentives, etc.
Williamsburg	\$1,392	Materials & Supplies	Children's materials
Wilton	\$1,929	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Maintain Sunday hours; books on CD; extra copies of books for Friends of the Library book discussion group. This funding helps us maintain the hours we have. We are open seven days a week for a total of 39 hours a week. The Sunday hours during the school year are used by families and students from junior high through college. One patron who works 35 miles away during the week comes to the library regularly on Sunday afternoons or Monday evenings during the summer. She likes the books on tape that we offer for her daily drive to work.
Winfield	\$569	Materials & Supplies	Tapes, books and DVDs. This money will help buy materials that we could not buy since the budget was cut from last year.
Winterset	\$1,877	Technology & Equipment	Money will be used toward the purchase of a machine that cleans and repairs DVDs, CDs and CD-Roms.
Winthrop	\$1,409	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	We can remain open one evening a week. Paid for training on computers. Audio books; helped pay for new copier. We not only have new computers to offer our patrons, but we have trained staff who know how to help them use the computers. Part of our funds were used to purchase audio books. We have a patron who has recently lost most of her vision and calls our audio books a godsend.
Woden	\$1,324	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Extended hours and staff time; audio books, CD programs; two new guest chairs.
Woodbine	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		

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Woodbury County	Not eligible for Direct State Aid		
Woodward	\$1,495	Materials & Supplies	Additional books.
Wyoming	\$561	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Camera; update furnace and central air system.
Zearing	\$1,540	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Extra staff hours for automation project; children's books. We are able to find children's books by subject more easily. Parents say they like having new books to read to their children. And the children like them, too.

