MONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY STATE AID STORIES

Library State Aid funding increased in 2013 from 10 cents to 40 cents per capita. In 2017, this lifeline for libraries will end without legislative support.

THE IMPACT OF INCREASED AID FROM

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Additional State Aid allowed us to add a new computer station, providing an essential service to our low-income community. Many people here don't have a personal computer or internet services, so more patrons than ever are using our computer and WiFi to train online, seek employment, apply for unemployment and file taxes. The strength of our WiFi also means people can use it outside the library walls and even when we're not open. That's not available anywhere else in our community.

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