



Mission Statement

Republican Valley Library System will assist libraries of all types to achieve their fullest potential in the areas of information dissemination, leadership, technology, and resource sharing.

Counties Served

The twenty counties within the Republican Valley Library System region are:

Adams, Chase, Clay, Dundy, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Kearney, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Nuckolls, Perkins, Phelps, Red Willow, and Webster.

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Republican Valley Library System

*Better Library Service
Through Cooperation*

Services

Consulting

RVLS provides on-site consulting and training for librarians and library staff on a variety of topics, including technology training, collection concerns and accreditation issues.

Continuing Education

RVLS coordinates with the Nebraska Library Commission and the Regional Library Systems to provide workshops and programs for school, academic and public librarians throughout the year.

Professional Collection

RVLS maintains a collection of professional books, journals and DVDs that are designed to help staff and trustees of all types of libraries in their work. Circulating periodicals include *Booklist*, *Computers in Libraries*, *Library Journal*, *Internet@Schools*, *School Library Journal*, *VOYA* and more.

Scholarships

RVLS members may request scholarships to attend library-related workshops, conferences and continuing education programs throughout the year.

Collection Support

- RVLS contracts with McCook Public Library and Hastings Public Library to provide bulk loans of large print books.
- The System owns over 450 audio book titles in CD, PlayAway, and MP3 formats. System libraries may borrow audio books to supplement their collections free of charge.
- RVLS has eight rotating collections of adult and children's items in Spanish.
- The System places cooperative orders for Folkmanis puppets. Libraries receive a substantial discount.
- RVLS provides disc media cleaning and repair.
- The System loans books sets for discussion groups.

Equipment Loan

RVLS has the following equipment available for loan: a laptop & LCD projector; a public address system; a Wii gaming system and games; an eReader Kit; FLIP digital video cameras; and Ellison Die Cut machines with 300+ dies.

Publications

RVLS stays in touch with a quarterly newsletter, *VALLEYTALK*; an email list; and a website.

About RVLS

Nebraska libraries of all types have joined together to form six regional systems aimed at providing improved library service to all Nebraskans.

The Republican Valley Library System is a non-profit corporation governed by a local System Board, with programs managed and directed by a System Administrator. The System is funded primarily by state appropriations and federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds, which are administered through the Nebraska Library Commission.

