

**State Library  
Budget 250  
Senate Bill No. 2013**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2011-13 legislative appropriation	29.75	\$5,263,975	\$2,134,610	\$7,398,585
2009-11 legislative appropriation	<u>29.75</u>	<u>4,651,028</u>	<u>1,935,336</u>	<u>6,586,364</u>
2011-13 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2009-11 appropriation	0.00	\$612,947	\$199,274	\$812,221

**Item Description**

**State aid to public libraries** - The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$1.5 million from the general fund for state aid to public libraries for the 2011-13 biennium, an increase of \$200,000 from the \$1.3 million appropriated for the 2009-11 biennium.

**Library Vision project** - The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$237,500 from the general fund for grants relating to the Library Vision project for the 2011-13 biennium.

**Status/Result**

The State Library is providing the state aid to public libraries in accordance with North Dakota Century Code Section 54-24.2-02 that provides \$1 per capita for city libraries and \$1 per capita and \$5 per square mile for county libraries. Libraries must continue their maintenance of effort. The maintenance of effort requirement provides that a public library is not eligible to receive any state aid to libraries during a fiscal year if the governing body has diminished the appropriation for public library services below the average of the three preceding fiscal years. Based on the current formula, the appropriation for the 2011-13 biennium will provide 66 percent of the state aid to libraries formula.

The State Library awards Library Vision grants to school and local libraries to pay costs associated with cataloging library records and adding the records to the statewide library database. Through March 2012 the State Library has added 131 libraries to the statewide library database. The State Library has identified an additional 10 public libraries, 14 tribal libraries, and 118 school libraries that would be eligible to add library records to the statewide library database.