2024 Funding Formula

State Distribution

2024 Total State Aid—$1,411,451.08 (100%)
Base Funds = $1,270,305.90 (90%)
Per Capita Funds = $141,145.10 (10%)

Base Funds = Funding distributed equally amongst all main libraries with branches receiving 50% allocation.†

Per Capita Funds = Library per capita divided by per capita total.

† Branch libraries will receive full branch base support if they fall within the lowest 10% of the Tax Equalization Board Adjustment or are more than 10 miles from the nearest library.

County Distribution

Basic Municipal Support $1 for $1
Libraries that receive up to and including $1 per capita from their municipalities will be rewarded with a $1 match for the population of each contributing municipality assigned to a library (as determined by the 2010 census). The remaining funds after deducting the $1 for $1 amount will be used for the rest of county distribution.

Muhlenberg (population of contributing municipalities 27,290) receives $23,539.00 in matching support.

Adequate Municipal Support > $2.5
Libraries averaging per capita contributions of $2.5 or more will be eligible to receive part of a bonus pool totaling $75,000. The final amount allocated to each library is determined by their percentage of the total combined population of achieving libraries.

(16,608/295,230) * 75,000 = $4,219.08 (Fleetwood)

Exceptional Municipal Support > $5
Libraries achieving a combined average of the state’s Standard for Excellence Aid minimum of $5 or more per capita will receive equal parts of an additional $4,000.

4,000/4 = $1,000.00 (Exeter, Sinking Spring, Spring Township, Womelsdorf)

Circulation
63.50% of the remaining funds will be distributed based on circulation counts. Library circulation is divided by total circulation and multiplied by the allotment of $525,850.49.

(240,863/1,579,936) * 525,850.49 = $80,166.52 (Exeter)

Tax Equalization Board Adjustment
5% of the remaining funds will be distributed to the lowest 10% of the aggregate market value of taxable real property in each municipality divided by the per capita for the allotment of $41,405.55.

2,001,141,683/88,082 = $22,719.08 (RPL market value per capita—lowest value of all libraries)
88,082/363,071 = 24.26% (population)

Computer Use
30% of the remaining funds will be distributed based on computer use. Library computer use is divided by total computer use + Wi-Fi counts and multiplied by the allotment of $248,433.30.

(4,587/109,721) * 248,433.30 = $10,386.01 (Hamburg)

Distance Support Allocation
1.5% of the remaining funds will be distributed to libraries that are over 10 miles from the nearest library. Equal distribution to all qualifying libraries from the allotment of $12,421.67.

12,421.67/3 = $4,140.56 (Bethel, Boyertown, Village)