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Community Library Enhancement Fund Program (CLEF) Disbursement Formula FY2018

CLEF Purpose and Emphasis

The Community Library Enhancement Fund (CLEF) provides funds to Certified Public Libraries in order to improve library services to their community.

The formula for distribution of these funds was originally developed between August and September 2006 with assistance from a task force of public library directors: Steve Decker, Cedar City; Danny O'Rourke, Murray; Linda Fields, Richfield; Pete Giacoma, Davis County; and Ronald Jenkins, Logan. The revision was presented to public library directors for comment (October 2006), and was approved by the Utah State Library Division Board in November 2006.

Library Categories & Total Allocation

For the CLEF program, public libraries are divided into three categories:

- Very Small Libraries – Certified public libraries with a legal service area (LSA) under 1,000 people.
- Small Libraries – Certified public libraries with an LSA between 1,000 and 50,000 people.
- Large Libraries – Public libraries with an LSA over 50,000 people.

The CLEF disbursement formula provides:

- A larger allotment of funds for Small Libraries and Very Small Libraries than for Large Libraries
- More funds for Small Libraries with larger service populations
- More funds for Small Libraries that spend more local dollars on their libraries
- More funds for Small Libraries that have lower family incomes

This year's total allocation for CLEF is \$565,000.

CLEF Formula for Large Libraries

The allotment for Large Libraries is 44.30% of this year's total allocation for CLEF. This percentage is calculated by dividing the population of large libraries over the population of all certified libraries and then dividing the quotient by 1.7. Small Libraries and Very Small Libraries receive the balance of funds.

Large Libraries receive a modified per capita payment based on the following formula:

- \$0.22 for each of the first 100,000 people
- \$0.11 for each of the second 100,000 people
- \$0.026 for each person beyond 200,000 people

CLEF Formula for Very Small Libraries

Very Small Libraries receive \$3.00 per capita.

CLEF Formula for Small Libraries

The allotment for Small Libraries are divided into three equal portions:

- Population payment (Legal Service Area)
- Effort payment (Local Operating Expenditures per capita)
- Need payment (Median Household Income)

Population payment

This payment is calculated by dividing the library’s LSA by the total population of small libraries. The result is multiplied by one third of the CLEF allotment for small libraries.

Effort payment

The libraries are sorted by their local operating expenditures per capita in decreasing order and assigned a rank from 1-49 accordingly, i.e. those with higher per capita figures at the top (higher effort) and those with lower per capita figures at the bottom (lower effort). The difference between ranks is \$50 (see table below). To calculate the “effort payment” the percentage of fund allocation is multiplied by one third of the CLEF allotment for small libraries.

Decrease by Rank	Rank	Amount
\$50.00	1	\$3,324.58
	2	\$3,274.58
	3	\$3,224.58
	4	\$3,174.58
	5	\$3,124.58
	6	\$3,074.58
	7	\$3,024.58
	8	\$2,974.58
	9	\$2,924.58
	10	\$2,874.58
	11	\$2,824.58
	12	\$2,774.58
	13	\$2,724.58
	14	\$2,674.58
	15	\$2,624.58
	16	\$2,574.58
	17	\$2,524.58
	18	\$2,474.58
	19	\$2,424.58
	20	\$2,374.58
	21	\$2,324.58
	22	\$2,274.58
	23	\$2,224.58
	24	\$2,174.58
	25	\$2,124.58
	26	\$2,074.58
	27	\$2,024.58
	28	\$1,974.58
	29	\$1,924.58
	30	\$1,874.58

31	\$1,824.58
32	\$1,774.58
33	\$1,724.58
34	\$1,674.58
35	\$1,624.58
36	\$1,574.58
37	\$1,524.58
38	\$1,474.58
39	\$1,424.58
40	\$1,374.58
41	\$1,324.58
42	\$1,274.58
43	\$1,224.58
44	\$1,174.58
45	\$1,124.58
46	\$1,074.58
47	\$1,024.58
48	\$974.58
49	\$924.58

Need payment

The median household income is calculated for each library, based on the latest available data from the US Census Bureau. The libraries are sorted in increasing order, i.e. those with lower median household incomes at the top (higher need) and those with higher median household income at the bottom (lower need) and assigned a rank from 1-49 accordingly (see table above). To calculate the “need payment” the percentage of fund allocation is multiplied by one third of the CLEF allotment for small libraries.

Total CLEF Payment

The disbursement of CLEF funds for Small Libraries is the sum of the Population Payment + Effort Payment + Need Payment. The total CLEF payment dollar figures are rounded to the nearest hundred.