

# ALA American Library Association

## Library Services and Technology Act

### Program Facts

The Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) is administered by the Institute of Museums and Library Services (IMLS).

LSTA stimulates about \$3 of state funds for every \$1 of federal funds to the program.

LSTA funds are used to offer training on résumé development; help on web searches of job banks; workshops on career information; assistive devices for people with disabilities; family literacy classes; homework help and mentoring programs; access to government information; and so much more.

The President requested \$171.5 million for Grants to State Library Agencies for FY 09. This funding level will allow full implementation of a 2003 law to provide a more equitable distribution of state formula grants.

In 2004 LSTA funds were used in Rhode Island by the Rhode Island Office of Library and Information Services (OLIS) to disseminate information and reports through websites and publications to the state.

### State Facts

#### **Rhode Island**

**\$1,006,294**

**State funding  
for FY 08**

**\$1,148,900**

**State funding  
for FY 09 if  
program is  
funded at  
\$171,500,000**

**If LSTA is funded at \$171.5 million then funding for  
Rhode Island will increase by  
\$142,606!**

