

April 28, 2008

Office of the County Executive
William McReynolds
730 Wisconsin Avenue
Racine, WI 53403

Mr. McReynolds,

Attached is a spreadsheet indicating our 2009 funding request for the municipalities with libraries in Racine County.

I am sure you are aware of the discussions that have taken place and are being discussed regarding the reimbursement formula for the libraries in Racine County.

On April 16th the library directors in Racine County met with a representative, Mike Cross, from the Division for Libraries, Technology and Community Learning (DLTCL) to determine which formula (1989 or 2002) would be a reasonable formula to use. Mr. Cross did not encourage the use of either formula since they were not in accordance with ss43.12(1) (Attached). Mike pointed out that the state statutes take precedent over any local agreement, unless that agreement is more stringent than the state statutes.

The attached spreadsheet that contains the request from the libraries, for reimbursement for 2009, is using the formula outlined in the state statutes and does NOT include municipal to municipal circulation. The amount being requested for reimbursement to the libraries (using the formula in the ss) is \$2,777,925.00.

We are sending you this earlier than usual because we thought it might be of use to the Racine County Board's Finance and Human Resources Committee when making their decision regarding library funding.

Should you, your staff or the Finance and Human Resources Committee have questions, please do not hesitate to ask. I can be reached at 262 514 4500 x66 or bbellin@lakeshores.lib.wi.us

Sincerely,

Bernard Bellin, Director
Lakeshores Library System

Encl.
cc. Racine County Library Directors

ATTACHMENT C

2009 Racine County Request for Library Reimbursement

Library	2007 Total Circulation (Racine County Residents w/o libraries)	2007 Total Circulation	% of Total Circulation to Racine County Residents w/o libraries	2007 Expenditure	2009 Payments using WI ss Formula
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Racine County					
Burlington	49,080	177,598	27.64%	\$ 685,503	\$ 189,442
Racine	374,468	911,355	41.09%	3,554,465	\$ 1,460,499
Rochester	8,386	36,929	22.71%	143,504	\$ 32,588
Union Grove	30,126	65,361	46.09%	244,225	\$ 112,567
Waterford	120,029	214,609	55.93%	617,031	\$ 345,100
Racine County Totals	582,089	1,405,852			\$ 2,140,196

Walworth County					
Lake Geneva	684	107,387	0.64%	\$ 648,867	\$ 4,133

Intersystem	2008 Access Payments	2007 Circulation to "Non-Library" Residents of Racine Co.	Percentage to be Reimbursed	Cost per Circ Used	2009 Reimbursement for "Non-Library" Residents of Racine Co.	2007 Circulation to "Library" Residents of Racine Co.	Percentage to be Reimbursed	Cost per Circ Used	2009 Reimbursement for "Library" Residents of Racine Co.	Total Racine County Reimbursement for 2009 Intersystem Agreements
Kenosha	83,984	17,845	55%	\$ 3.32	32,585	34,066	50%	\$ 3.32	56,550	\$ 89,135
Waukesha	37,873	21,280	55%	\$ 3.32	38,857	3,376	50%	\$ 3.32	5,604	\$ 44,461
					71,442				62,154	\$ 133,595

Due from Racine County for Racine County Libraries	\$ 2,140,196
Due from Racine County for Walworth County Libraries	\$ 4,133
Due from Racine County for Kenosha County Libraries	\$ 89,135
Due from Racine County for Waukesha County Libraries	\$ 44,461
Total Request from Racine County for 2007 Library Services	\$ 2,277,925