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MEMORANDUM

To: Gaston County Library

From: Lynda Reynolds, State Aid Program Manager

Date: November 20, 2024

Re: 2024 - 2025 Aid to Public Libraries Fund - Estimated Total Payment

This memorandum is to inform you that Gaston County Library will receive \$290,627 from the Aid to Public Libraries Fund for FY2024-25. The total authorized allocation is \$18,000,000 for public libraries qualifying to receive State Aid. The authorized amount for distribution is \$17,200,000 with a 1% allocation to administration costs, which includes the formal review of the State Aid to Public Libraries Formula in 2024-25. If there is a change in the allocation, you will receive a notification of the change.

State Aid payments are distributed monthly and should be received no later than the fifteenth of each month. The following chart shows the payments already distributed from July 2024 through November 2024 and the adjusted payments to be distributed from December 2024 through June 2025.

Library Name: Gaston County Library

July 2024	Aug 2024	Sept 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024
Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment
\$24,298	\$24,298	\$24,298	\$24,298	\$24,298	\$24,162

Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	June 2026
Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment
\$24,162	\$24,162	\$24,162	\$24,162	\$24,162	\$24,165

The fund herein provided shall be administered by the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, which shall frame bylaws, rules and regulations for the allocation and administration of

such funds. The funds shall be used to improve, stimulate, increase and equalize public library service to the people of the whole State, shall be used for no other purpose, except as herein provided, and shall be allocated among the legally established municipal, county or regional libraries in the State taking into consideration local needs, area and population to be served, local interest and such other factors as may affect the State program of public library. (NCGS, Chapter 125-7(c))

Block and per capita equalization grants may be used for library materials, salaries, equipment, and operating costs. (Administrative Code, Title 7, Chapter 2, Subchapter 21, Section .0202) Libraries need to track and report each category of expenditures made using State Aid to Public Libraries grant.

Please contact me at lynda.reynolds@dncr.nc.gov if you have any questions and/or would like to go over your individual State Aid calculations.

Please provide a copy of this memo to your Finance Officer and Auditor.