

**South Central Kansas Library System
2026 Grants-in-aid Service Contract**

This contract is between the **South Central Kansas Library System**, referred to as SCKLS, and the _____, a participating member library in the SCKLS regional system of cooperating libraries and in accordance with Kansas Statutes Annotated 75-2547 through 75-2552 and applicable Kansas Administrative Regulations.

The purpose of this contract is for SCKLS in cooperation with participating member libraries to provide adequate library services to all citizens of the south central region which includes the following counties-- Barber, Butler, Cowley, Harper, Harvey, Kingman, McPherson, Reno, Rice, Sedgwick, Stafford and Sumner--and to extend library service to persons not having library service through a local and legally-established public library.

In accordance with Kansas Administration Regulation 54-1-18, the participating member library agrees to the provision for free service and to permit any citizen of the territory comprising SCKLS to borrow materials or receive services without charge and subject to reasonable library rules during the period from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

In exchange for the participating member library providing free service and permitting any citizen of the territory comprising SCKLS to borrow materials or receive services without charge and subject to reasonable library rules, SCKLS agrees to provide the participating member library:

- (1) One grant-in-aid payment in the amount of \$_____ upon receipt of this signed service contract and prior to July 1, 2026; and
- (2) Second grant-in-aid payment in the amount of \$_____ prior to September 30, 2026.

Additional conditions of this grants-in-aid contract shall include the following:

- (a) The annual grants-in-aid eligibility form shall be completed by the participating member library and received by SCKLS by March 14, 2026.
- (b) Grants-in-aid funds must be used by the participating member library for library purposes only, with no grant administration fees allowed, and funds shall be expended, encumbered or transferred within one-year of December 31, 2026.
- (c) If sufficient annual tax funds are not received by SCKLS, this contract shall be void and any grants-in-aid payment obligation terminated.

By signing this contract, the representative of the _____ certifies that such person is duly authorized to execute this contract on behalf of the participating member library and the participating member library agrees to the above provisions.

Participating Member Library

South Central Kansas Library System

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Paul Hawkins, Director

Date: _____

April 1, 2026