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How to Apply for a Subsidized Library Card

What is the Library Card Subsidy Program?

The membership fee for the Nelson Library is \$90 per household or \$45 for a single membership (maximum 5 items) for residents of the Regional District of the Central Kootenay (RDCK) whose residence is not in a library service area. For those for whom this fee presents a barrier, the Library Card Subsidy will cover half the cost (\$45 for household/\$23 for single) of a yearly membership for those that qualify. The recipients of the Subsidy will be required to pay for the other half (\$45 for household/\$23 for single).

Subsidies for Area E residents are supported through a grant provided by the RDCK Area E.

Who can apply?

RDCK area residents without universal library access through taxation qualify when their combined gross income falls within or below the “Low Income” levels recognized by Statistics Canada.

Please refer to this table:

Family Size	Combined Gross
1	\$19,042
2	\$23,177
3	\$28,859
4	\$36,005
5	\$41,000
6 or more	\$45,420

How can I apply?

Fill out the application form on the other side and sign. Please make sure to indicate on the application form if you are applying as a family with children or as an individual or family without children.

How long does it take to get approval?

One week under normal circumstances.

SUBSIDY APPLICATION FORM

Subsidy Applicant:

Please Specify:

Family with children (sponsored by Area E) _____ Individual or Family (sponsored by private donors) _____

No. of children under age 18 in household _____ Total no. of family members in household _____

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Postal code _____

Phone no. _____ Email _____

Signature _____ Date _____

☐ I have thoroughly read and understand the guidelines of the Nelson Public Library Card Subsidy Program and agree that I/my household meet(s) the described needs. I agree to participate in a brief telephone follow-up if required.

Staff use only

Reviewed on _____ (Date) by _____ (staff initials)

Card issue date: