

Appendix A: Explanation of Distribution of Funds to Cities

- District was voted in on November 1986 and took effect in July 1987. The purpose of the District was to provide financial support from all taxable properties in the County to local libraries for the provision of library services to all residents of Umatilla County.
- The tax distribution process to District member libraries, established at the onset of the 1991 tax base, provided that 80% of the revenues would go to the District member libraries. Hermiston chose not to be part of the District. 20% of the revenues would go to the District, for administration, and overall services provided to those libraries, such as cataloging, courier service, the Integrated Library System (ILS) [now SAGE], etc.
- The City of Hermiston later signed an agreement with the District to provide library services to the surrounding County population.
- When originally established, the distribution process for the 80% paid to District member libraries was based on a percentage of Umatilla County population served. The population served was established for each library by taking the City population plus the surrounding County population so that all residents were represented, and then dividing that by the total County population establishing a fixed percentage. The total dollar amount of the 80% to cities is then multiplied by this percentage to provide the annual tax distribution payments to that City.
- We continue to follow this originally established process:

For example...

Library Z (this does not represent any specific library in UCSLD) has a fixed percentage of 10% and the total anticipated tax revenue is \$1 million, so 80% of this would be \$800,000.

- $10\% \times \$800,000 = \$80,000$ (Library Z's share of the anticipated annual tax distribution payment)