



LIBRARY BOARD ITEM DESCRIPTION

DATE OF MEETING: January 18, 2024

ITEM TITLE: County Funding

BACKGROUND:

The majority of the county supervisors have stated that they don't think they should provide additional funding to the public libraries in Buchanan County because the cities of Rowley and Brandon are not served. They believe that the county funding they provide covers library services for those residents. Iowa Code states that each municipality and each county (unincorporated areas) are to provide library service for their residents. A rural services fund collected from those who live in unincorporated areas and used for services for the same group is the fund used for library services for rural residents.

RECOMMENDATION:

Discussion about funding and whether there are actions the library board could take to assist with this situation.