Community Library Enhancement Fund

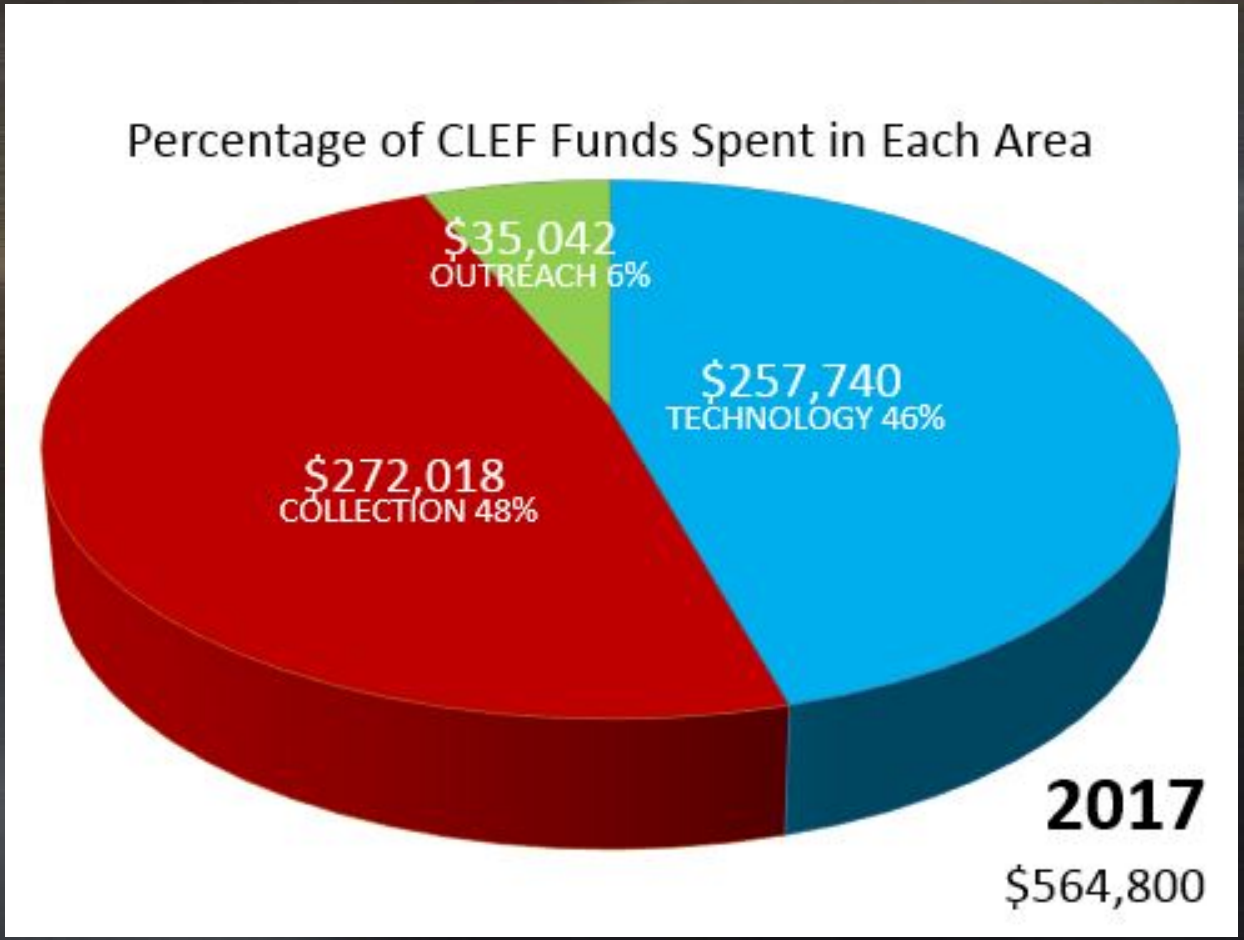
A Brief Introduction

CLEF Background

- 1986 – Public Library Development Grant (PLDG)
- Certified public libraries are eligible
- Allocation based on formula

CLEF Expenditures

- Collection Development
- Technology for the Public
- Community Outreach



IMPACT – Summit County Library

- “This equipment replacement would not have been possible this year without CLEF funding. Our public computers and Wi-Fi serve thousands of people each year like Jeff who was able to visit our Kamas Branch and use the public computers to look for jobs. Library staff helped Jeff by giving him some helpful suggestions on where to look and how to improve his applications. Our Kamas Branch Manager ran into Jeff weeks later at a local store where he was working. He thanked him for the library's help and said we played an important role in getting him this new opportunity.”

The Impact of CLEF Funding on Public Libraries

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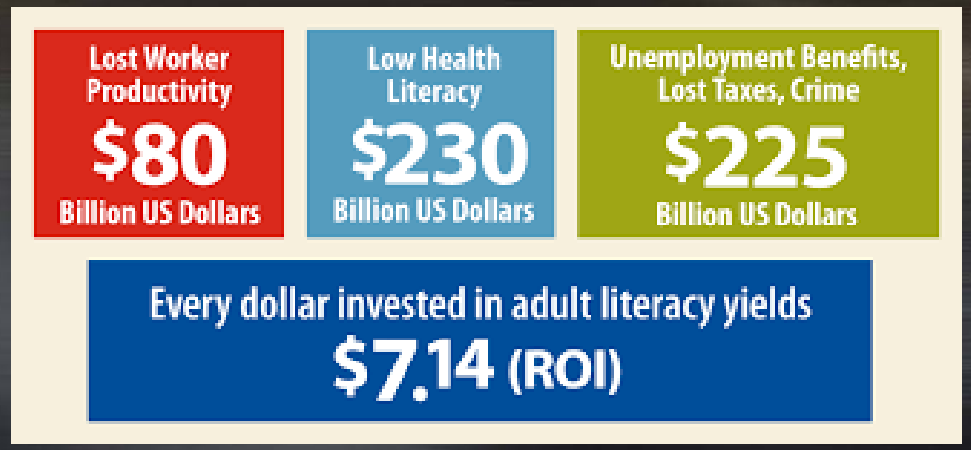
Statistics

Literacy impacts

- Welfare and Poverty
- Health
- Employment
- Crime



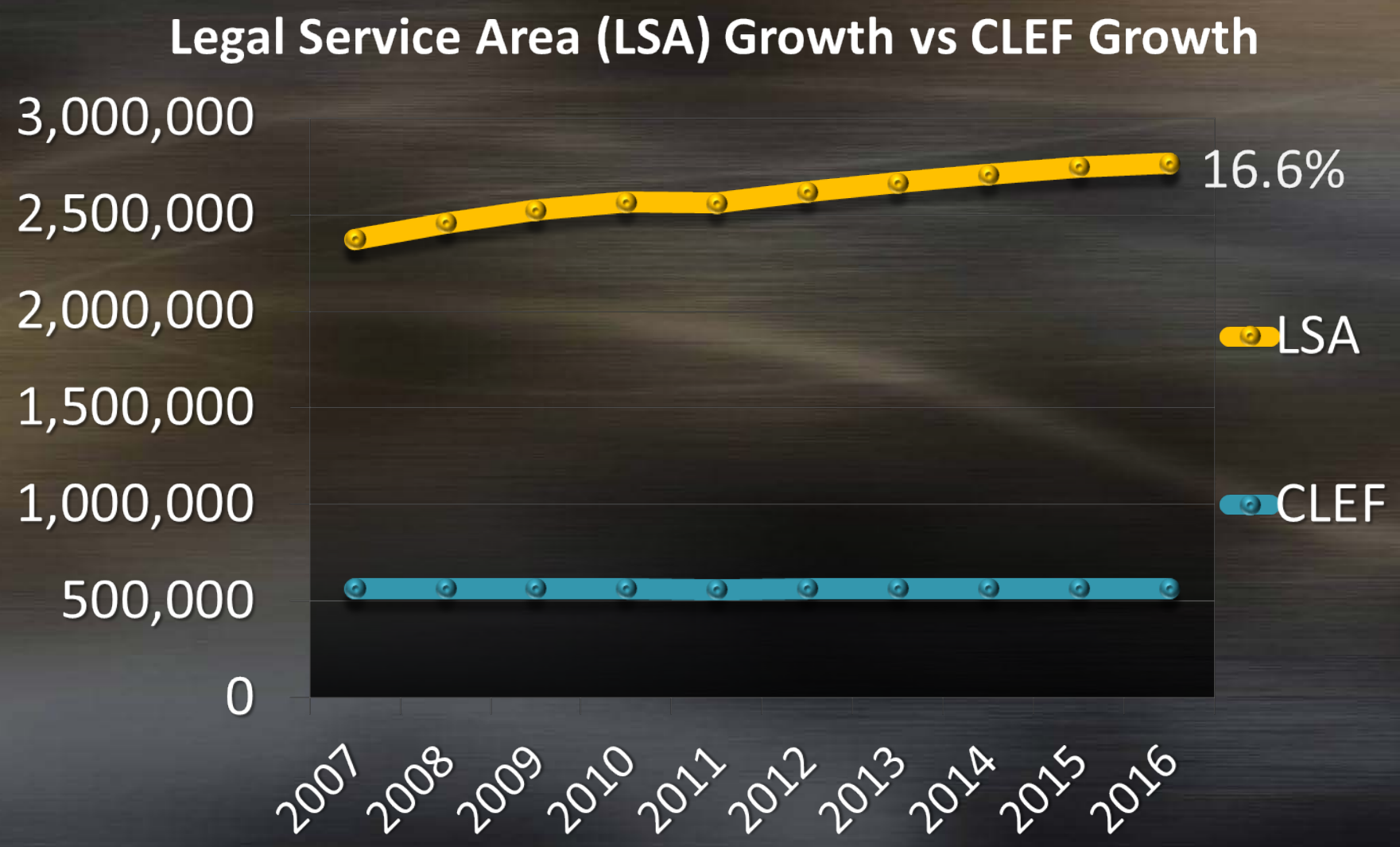
Literacy & CLEF Funding

- More books at home mean greater school achievement (Collections)
- Technology is important to expanded learning programs (Technology)
- Afterschool, weekend, and summer programming in libraries has positive impacts on communities as well as young people (Outreach)

Comparison to Other State Libraries

- 64% of western state libraries offer direct aid to libraries
- Funding has remained steady or decreased in most states
- Allocations are primarily determined by population served

CLEF vs Local Funding



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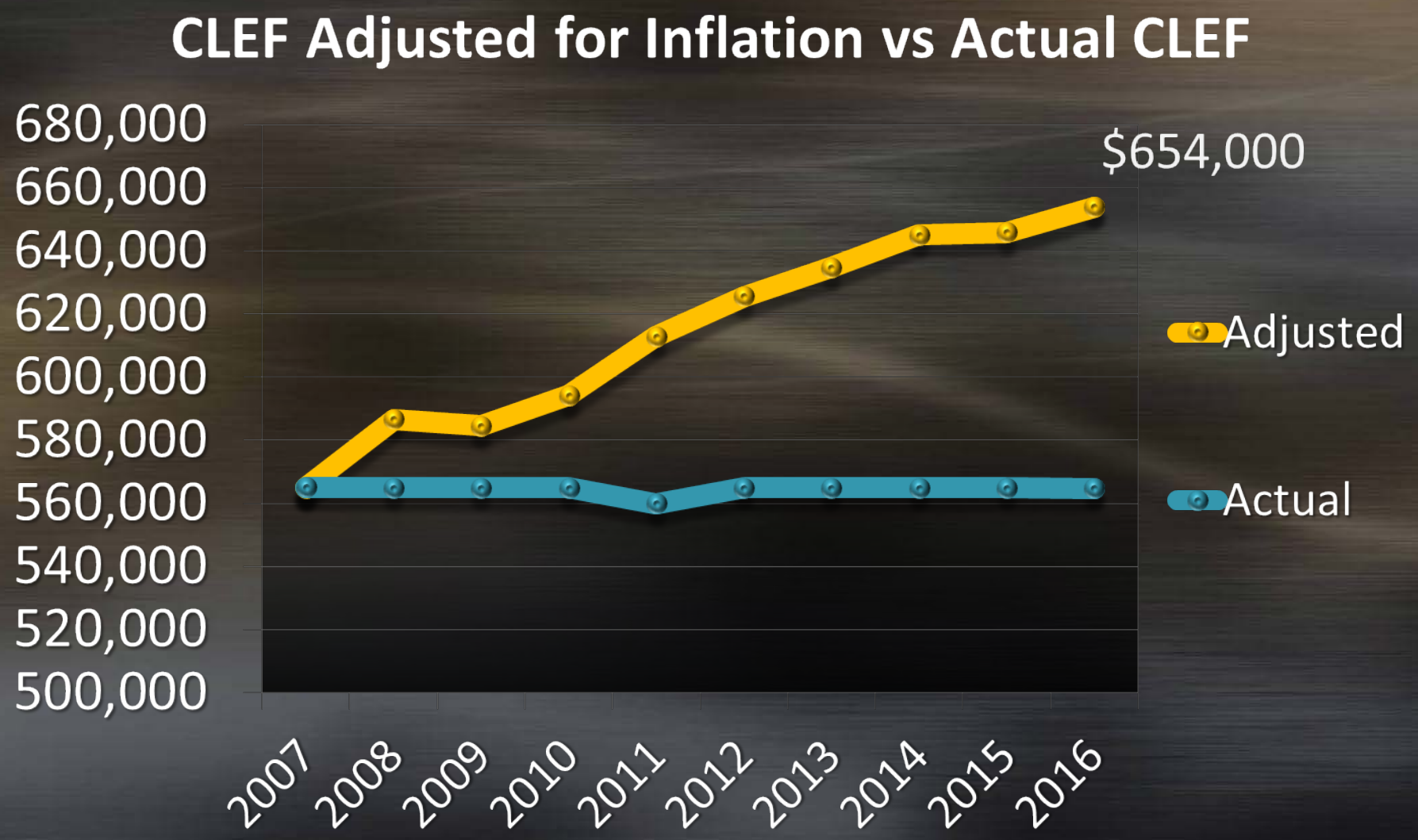

RECOMMENDATIONS

#1: Continue CLEF Program

- Ask Legislature for Additional Funding
- Expand Outreach to include all Programs

#2: Find More Ways to Allocate Funds to Smaller Libraries

- Increase CLEF Funding
- Evaluate CLEF Distribution Formula
- Identify Alternative Funding Sources

#3: Develop a More Relevant Reporting System for CLEF

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COMMUNITY LIBRARY ENHANCEMENT FUND
EXPENDITURE REPORT 2017

IDENTIFICATION
This section identifies the library that received CLEF, the total amount received, and the categories of library activities where CLEF was used.

101 FSCS ID	PREFILLED
102 Name of Library	PREFILLED
103 Population of Legal Service Area	PREFILLED
104 Total CLEF funds received	PREFILLED
105 Did you use CLEF funds for collection development?	Yes☐ No☐
106 Did you use CLEF funds for technology that directly benefits the public?	Yes☐ No☐
107 Did you use CLEF funds for community outreach?	Yes☐ No☐

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT
This section describes the expenditures of CLEF in Collection Development projects.

201 CLEF amount spent on collection development	$0.00

#4: Conduct an Impact Study Every 5 Years

Thank you!

Questions?