

Blount County Budget Committee Memo

TO: Blount County Commissioners

FROM: Library DATE: July 22, 2025

RE: Renewal of online business database AtoZdatabases

- Proposal (what is the new item/service being requested)
 AtoZ Databases is an online database meant for assisting small businesses and job searches.

 It allows business owners and entreprenuers to use data for more informed decisions such as where to open a business, obtain sales leads, and more.

 Staff have negotiated a 10% cost reduction from last fiscal year in exchange for a three-year contract.
- Current Operations (how are operations without the request and impact if not funded)
 AtoZ Databases collects data from multiple sources making it easy to find. If not funded, the information will not be readily available and, in some cases, unavailable.
- Impact if funded (provide summary if the request is approved) AtoZ Databases will
 continue to be offered to the patrons if renewed, but at a cost locked in for the
 next three years.

Budget Impact	
Original Budget	\$3,640
Amendment Impact	\$364
Proposed Revised Budget	\$3,276

Signature from Department Head/Elected (or designee)