FY 2012-2013 LSTA Grant Awards
September 13, 2012
News Release
List of Awarded Projects

Total number received: 16

Total number funded: 12

LSTA dollar amount funded: $169,860

School Library and Public Library Teen Literacy Projects

Title: ideaLAB: a digital creation space for teens **Amt:** $19,953
Type: Public—Denver Public Library (DPL), Central Branch
Summary: In partnership with Mi Casa Resource Center DPL will develop a digital creation space for teens within the Central Branch. Librarians will engage Denver-area teens in the production of digital media – art, games, videos, and music.

Title: Make-It Brighton: A Makerspace for Anythink Brighton **Amt:** $ 18,489
Type: Public—Anythink Brighton Library
Summary: Teens will have a place to go after school for access to equipment and technology that will support learning, encourage productivity, and inspire creativity. The teen Makerspace will mentor and nurture new entrepreneurs, inventors, and artists with 3D printing, a sewing/textile space, a hands-on "Computer Guts" lab, a digital photography studio, a creation kiosk, and exciting programming.

Title: New Teen Zone at Bemis Public Library **Amt:** $11,683
Type: Public— Bemus Public Library
Summary: A new teen area will be developed in the library bringing new teen books, gaming, graphic zone to assist teens in the use of this equipment.

Title: Mission Viejo Library Teen Center **Amt:** $6,500
Type: Public— Aurora Public Library System
Summary: The Aurora Public Library will develop a teen center in its Mission Viejo branch located in central Aurora. This center will provide teens with a safe after school, weekend, and summer location to gather and have access to literacy and tutoring opportunities.

School Library and Public Library Youth Literacy Projects

Title: The Fifth Element **Amt:** $20,000
Type: Public—-Garfield County Libraries

Summary: Garfield County Libraries in partnership with the Garfield County RE-2 School District will be holding enrichment programs for students on Friday afternoons. Due to budget cuts the school district is adopting a four-day weekly schedule. As a result students will need some type of cultural and/or educational opportunity on their off day. Over the 28 weeks programming will include: art, science, music, reading, writing, math, and history projects.

Title: Read4Health: Aligning Health and Literacy in the Classroom **Amt:** $36,633
Type: Special—RMC Health
Summary: This project will help preschool through fifth grade (PK-5) teacher and library staffs teach health within the context of their reading, writing, and communication lessons. Read4Health will provide PK-5 lesson plans and a website that facilitates resource sharing and access to fiction titles that align with the new Colorado P-12 Academic Standards.

Title: Parents Engaged with Social-Emotional and Early Literacy Development
Amt: $12,000
Type: Public—Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library
Summary: In partnership with the Bal Swan Children's Center the Library will offer 10 families a six week training course which will provide parents with information and tools to interact with their children in a way that develops both social-emotional growth and early literacy building. The six week series will be presented three times over the funding period.

Title: History Take Out: a statewide library/museum partnership to excite students about history **Amt:** $6,090
Type: Public—Fort Morgan Public Library
Summary: Fort Morgan Public Library and Museum is partnering with History Colorado and the Colorado State Library on an innovative project focused on Colorado history. Through this project children and their families in the northeastern region of Colorado will receive exciting, relevant, hands-on social studies programming. The target audience is third and fourth graders with kindergarten and preschoolers being the secondary audience. The project is designed to address Colorado's revised Content Standards in the areas of history, geography, oral expression and learning, and economics by allowing students to explore artifacts, historic photos, biographies, a giant map of Colorado and timelines in a fun, interactive way.

Title: 21st Century Learning with Colorado Culture Kits K-5 **Amt:** $8,975
Type: School—Douglas County School District Library Media Programming (DLMP)
Summary: DLMP will support kindergarten through fifth grand Social Studies and Language Arts curriculum through this project. Cultural artifact kits will be updated and an online educational resource will be developed for students in the school district. These kits provide a hands-on learning experience for students, benefiting them by providing access to authentic Colorado resources, artifacts, and primary sources both physical and in an online environment. The kits will align with Colorado's revised Content standards in social studies and language arts.

Community Outreach Through Libraries

Title: Tablet Technologies: Training on the Go **Amt:** $7,852
Type: Public—High Plains Library District (HPLD)
Summary: Through the creation of a mobile computer lab, HPLD will bring group instruction to residents in underserved communities and facilities housing patrons of limited mobility.

Title: No Elder Left Behind: Delta County Libraries Electronic Devices Senior Outreach Program
Amt: $15,825
Type: Public—Delta County Libraries (DCL)
Summary: DCL will provide seniors living in senior care centers with access to technology, technological resources, and programs. Seniors will have access to iPads, Kindles, and MP3 players to read, access the internet, email, socialize on Facebook, skyping with family, listen to music and audio books, play games, and to record their oral histories.

Title: Better Resources For Better Jobs **Amt:** $5,870
Type: Public—Conejos Library District
Summary: As a continuation of the Broadband Technology Opportunity Project (BTOP) the district will offer patrons the opportunity to take online classes from UniversalClass.com which offers hundreds of online continuing education classes. In addition, twenty students will have the opportunity to be monitored and assisted in the library throughout a six month time period.