

FY2011-2012 LSTA Grant Awards

School Library and Public Library Literacy Projects

Title: Learning Everywhere with Alternatives to Print (LEAP-2) Project **Amt:** \$74,418

Type: School—the Northwest Colorado Board of Cooperative Educational Services (NW BOCES)

Summary: NW BOCES is partnering with public libraries to provide iPads, MP3 Players, Kindles/Nooks, and iPod Touches to struggling and reluctant readers, students with disabilities, English language learners, and other patrons interested in utilizing portable audio and reading devices in 24 libraries. This project builds on last year's successful LSTA grant which supplied 14 libraries with MP3 players.

Title: E-books for Student Learning

Amt: \$17,000

Type: School — Academy School District #20

Summary: This pilot project will produce a model Demand Driven Digital Resource Management (DDDRM) System that can be used in K-12 libraries throughout Colorado. The DRM e-book platform will initially provide access to approximately 1,368 e-book titles for secondary students in the District.

Title: Connecting Children through Adaptive Services and Technology **Amt:** \$ 16,329

Type: Public—Jefferson County Public Library

Summary: Jefferson County Public Library will partner with Jeffco R-1 School District to provide adaptive services and technology to persons with disabilities by providing: American Sign Language story time programs, patron education classes, staff training, and the purchase of adaptive technology software.

Title: Bridging the Research Gap for College Bound High School Students

Amt: \$9,660

Type: Academic— Kraemer Family Library, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs Campus

Summary: Kraemer Family Librarians will be partnering with teachers and librarians in Academy School District #20. The Academic librarians will develop curriculum for the District's teachers and librarians to provide them with the knowledge they need to prepare students for college level research (information literacy).

Library Improvement through Technology

Title: Shared E-book Collections and Patron Services in Rural Colorado Libraries

Type: Consortium—Colorado Library Consortium (CLiC)

Amt: \$20,000

Summary: Funding will provide shared access to cooperatively purchased E-books to 32 mostly small, rural libraries via a consortium catalog. The grant focuses on cooperative selection of titles, training library staff, and providing patron services for using E-book technology.

Title: Job Resources with Wireless Laptops/Laptop Checkout **Amt:** \$9,150
Type: Public—Manitou Springs Public Library (MSPL)
Summary: Manitou Springs Public Library will partner with Pikes Peak Workforce Center to develop and conduct a series of classes for the purpose of teaching patrons the skills necessary to navigate the Internet for the purpose of securing employment.

Community Outreach Through Libraries

Title: GoToWorkshops@Your Library **Amt:** \$18,500
Type: Public—Garfield County Libraries
Summary: Garfield County Public Library District is partnering with Literacy Outreach and Colorado Mountain College to develop and conduct workshops that teach adults basic computer skills and how to navigate the Internet for the purpose of securing employment. Workshops will be held in six libraries with offerings in both English and Spanish.

Title: Making the American Dream a Reality **Amt:** \$8,554
Type: Public—High Plains Library District
Summary: Funds will allow the High Plains Library District to organize and sponsor, with the help of community partners, four citizenship classes in locations convenient to adult English language learners. Sixty legal permanent residents in the HPLD service area will attend 40 hours of direct instruction on U.S. Civics and language acquisition as oral, aural, and written skills in English are necessary to pass the citizenship test.

Title: Improving Library Service to Spanish Speaking Populations **Amt:** \$15,000
Type: Public—Montrose Regional Library District
Summary: Project activities will focus on increasing the Spanish speaking community's awareness of library services, improve the library district's Spanish language collection and programming, and implement activities to enhance computer, English, and literacy skills.

Title: Creating Better Readers through Better Books **Amt:** \$10,000
Type: Public—Conejos County Library District
Summary: The Antonito branch library is struggling to meet patron's needs in this rural underserved area of the State. In 2009 the library opened with duplicate books from the main library's collection and patron donations. Funds will be used to promote literacy through the purchase of new books for all ages and to encourage family reading and book discussions.

Total number received: 28

Total number funded: 10

LSTA dollar amount funded: \$198,611