

Library Services and Technology Act FY2007 Funded Projects

Library and Multitype Library Cooperative Projects

Organization:	Gadsden County Public Library System
Category:	Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries
Project Name:	Kids Embracing Reading Through Cultural Exploration
Amount:	\$30,000
Population to Be Served:	895
Area Served:	Gadsden County
Summary:	The purpose of this grant is to encourage reading, library skills, and writing through cultural exploration. This project will present programs develop book and reading clubs in schools, outreach locations, and after school programs in Gadsden County. Youth will check out books from deposit collections. Writings from reading journals will be used to develop mini-books of student's writing and drawings. There will be author visits at schools and the library. Books will be purchased which are culturally appropriate to rural African American youth population.
Organization:	Hendry County Library Cooperative
Category:	Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name:	The Clewiston Library Digitization Project
Amount:	\$10,911
Population to Be Served:	1,000
Area Served:	Hendry County
Summary:	The Clewiston Library Digitization Project will provide digital access to the Clewiston News from 1928-1945 for writers, historians, genealogists, veterans, students, and others. The project will compliment the National Digital Library Program, whose goal is to have all Florida newspapers available online.

Organization: Jacksonville Public Library
Category: Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries
Project Name: Volunteers As Special Educators (VASE)
Amount: \$56,789
Population to Be Served: 650
Area Served: Duval County
Summary: The Jacksonville Public Library will sustain and expand adult literacy services by supporting and training volunteer tutors to work with English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and special needs learners. The development, use, and distribution of instructional materials based upon the Wilson Reading System is a product of this initiative. Two partners (Learn to Read, Inc. of Jacksonville and Learn to Read of St. Johns County, Inc.) will assist the Jacksonville Public Library in piloting and refining the curriculum prior to its free distribution to other adult literacy providers.

Organization: Lake County Library System
Category: Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries
Project Name: Lo primero es lo primero (First things First)
Amount: \$60,000
Population to Be Served: 20,000
Area Served: Lake County
Summary: Lake County Library System will implement an outreach program for Hispanic residents at selected Lake County libraries. Focus groups will be held to learn the needs and wants of the specific communities. Based on the outcomes of the focus groups, the libraries will select appropriate materials and identify and implement the most effective means of communicating the services to the targeted communities, including using informed and enthusiastic Hispanics as “embajadores”(ambassadors) for the libraries to their communities. Approximately 20,000 Hispanics live in Lake County.

Organization: Marion County Public Library System
Category: Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries
Project Name: Traveling Tales
Amount: \$62,800
Population to Be Served: 1,500
Area Served: Marion County
Summary: Traveling Tales will provide programming and deposit collections via a Traveling Tales van to families residing in low income housing developments, licensed childcare providers in family home settings and elder care facilities. Traveling Tales will help child caregivers facilitate learning and reading readiness, promote effective parenting, and remove barriers to early learning, including transportation difficulties. Elderly residents will receive easy access to library materials.

Organization: Pasco County Public Library Cooperative
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Pasco County E-Government Initiative
Amount: \$274,000
Population to Be Served: 407,799
Area Served: Pasco County
Summary: Through this grant, Pasco County residents will gain access to online government information and will learn the skills needed to effectively utilize E-government services. A wireless network and dedicated computer workstations will be established for E-government activities. A training program will also be developed to help Pasco County residents take advantage of E-government resources and services.

Organization: Central Florida Library Cooperative
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Training and Resource Sharing at CFLC
Amount: \$107,450
Population to Be Served: 3,324,459
Area Served: Brevard, Flagler, Indian River, Lake, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, St. Lucie, and Volusia counties
Summary: The Central Florida Library Cooperative (CFLC) will provide resource sharing support and technology training to the staff of member libraries. Resource sharing services training will be offered to all library staff at the central facility in Maitland, as well as in libraries throughout the region. The resource sharing activities include: interlibrary lending and borrowing; delivery of materials to patrons; maintenance of shared lists of periodical holdings; and the contribution of records to the Florida Database of library materials.

Organization: Northeast Florida Library Information Network
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Training and Resource Sharing at NEFLIN (TARSAN)
Amount: \$125,450
Population to Be Served: 2,214
Area Served: Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, Saint Johns, Sumter, Suwannee, and Union counties
Summary: The Northeast Florida Library Information Network (NEFLIN) will train library staff to become more proficient and comfortable using many of the new technologies now present in their library. Staff will also learn techniques to assist their patrons more effectively. Bibliographic records will be added to the statewide resource sharing database to provide increased access to information and resources.

Organization: Panhandle Library Access Network
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: PLAN - A Network of Shared Resources
Amount: \$172,450
Population to Be Served: 1,366,208
Area Served: Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington counties
Summary: Project activities will facilitate resource sharing activities among Panhandle Library Access Network (PLAN) members. In addition to maintaining and enhancing databases, the project will allow for improved access to library holdings, including local “hidden treasures,” and delivery of materials to the user. Library staff throughout the Florida Panhandle will have convenient access to technical and professional training to facilitate meeting library patrons’ information needs. This project employs a multi-pronged approach to training library managers and support staff.

Organization: Southeast Florida Library Information Network
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Community of Learning Program for Southeast Florida Library Staff
Amount: \$107,450
Population to Be Served: 3,052
Area Served: Broward, Martin, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties
Summary: The Community of Learning Program will offer learning opportunities for more than 3,000 library staff in Southeast Florida. Learning opportunities will: (1) focus on the areas of library services, management, and technology; (2) use a variety of instructional methods; and (3) be delivered at multiple regional locations. To support the program, SEFLIN will work to develop a regional staff development plan, develop promotional materials, create partnerships for library staff training sites, enhance the web site/service, and provide staff software/equipment.

Organization: Southwest Florida Library Network
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Training and Resource Sharing
Amount: \$104,987
Population to Be Served: 590
Area Served: Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Lee, and Monroe counties
Summary: The Southwest Florida Library Network (SWFLN) will provide training to library staff so that they can better help the public use technology to get information. The grant will fund a variety of training opportunities to meet the needs of local libraries and to enable library staff to achieve an appropriate level of proficiency with computer skills, office management, and professional leadership in a rapidly changing technology environment. It will enable staff to effectively train the public and other staff about how to access and use electronic information resources. This project will provide training in both traditional classroom and web-based training. It will also allow for updating the statewide resource sharing database, OCLC WorldCat, and the digitization database, PALMM. This annual update to the databases and improved interlibrary loan delivery services will help Floridians find, borrow, and use the library and museum materials they need.

Organization: Tampa Bay Library Consortium
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Training Libraries to Serve the Public
Amount: \$100,000
Population to Be Served: 4,279,085
Area Served: Citrus, DeSoto, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Okeechobee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota counties
Summary: The Tampa Bay Consortium's (TBLC) continuing education program is one of its most popular member services. Participants responding to workshop evaluations, have reported that TBLC's training program improves their ability to serve the public and makes them more comfortable and proficient users of technology while saving time and money. This year's program will provide members with the knowledge necessary to manage emerging technologies and with strategies to provide excellent customer service.

Organization: Tampa Bay Library Consortium
Category: Library Technology Connectivity and Services
Project Name: Bay Area Resource Sharing IV
Amount: \$107,450
Population to Be Served: 4,279,085
Area Served: Citrus, DeSoto, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Okeechobee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota counties
Summary: This project builds on the cooperation among Tampa Bay Library Consortium (TBLC) member libraries. It includes the following components:
1) Regional Catalog and Interlibrary Loan: The project will continue development of the system and add new participating libraries. TBLC members provide almost a third of all interlibrary loans in Florida.
2) Electronic Content: The project will continue providing the digital audio books project and group purchase for 30 libraries and Remote Patron Authentication (RPA) for 45 libraries.
3) Updated Holdings in OCLC World Cat/Special Collection Cataloging: The project will add new records for 38 libraries and complete batch load of holdings for two academic libraries. It will support CatExpress for 31 libraries. Twelve thousand special collection titles from USF Special Collections and St. Petersburg Public Library will be added.
4) Cultural Heritage and Digitization: The project will continue the program to support libraries and communities in making local resources available on the Web. This will include selecting, digitizing, cataloging, storing, and making resources searchable through the Florida Electronic Library metadata harvester.

Division of Library and Information Services

Statewide Projects

Organization:	Division of Library and Information Services
Category:	Statewide - Core Division Projects
Project Name:	Consulting Services
Amount:	\$863,545
Population to Be Served:	2,000
Area Served:	Statewide
Summary:	<p>Consulting is a core service of the State Library and Archives of Florida's Office of Community Development. Consultants combine skills as technical experts, process facilitators, and program managers. The purpose of this consulting is to empower local libraries to solve their own problems and improve their own services; to provide knowledge and expertise that is not available locally; to support interlibrary cooperation and resource sharing among all types of local libraries; and to build relationships and strong lines of communication between local libraries and the Division. In addition, consultants monitor grants and develop and manage statewide programs. This project will provide funds for salaries, travel, and continuing education opportunities for Development Office staff. In addition, this project will allow for planning and implementation of specific statewide programs and projects such as developing citizen support for public libraries and continued development and implementation of the agency's new strategic long plan.</p>

Organization: Division of Library and Information Services
Category: Statewide - Core Division Projects
Project Name: Agency Support Grant, 2007 - 2008
Amount: \$369,367
Population to Be Served: 2,000
Area Served: Statewide
Summary: The State Library and Archives of Florida provides support services for several federally-funded programs: the Florida Electronic Library, an electronic resource that features a wealth of reliable, authoritative databases and live chat with professional librarians; the Florida Memory Project, where researchers, teachers, and students of all ages can access Florida's historically significant documents, photos, and film and audio clips via the Web; and other programs that rely on LSTA funded technology to make the published and unpublished documented history of the state. The purpose of this grant is to continue the support service for these programs. The Division will use an enterprise Web based portal using electronic content management and search engine software called MetaLib/SFX.

Organization: Division of Library and Information Services
Category: Statewide - Core Division Projects
Project Name: LSTA Administration
Amount: \$263,878
Population to Be Served: 2,000
Area Served: Statewide
Summary: This project provides for the administration of the Library Services and Technology Act grant program by the State Library and Archives of Florida's Office of Community Development. Components include activities associated with application submission and review, maintenance of official program files, coordination of contracts and grant payments, monitoring and evaluation, compilation and submission of reports and programs to the Institute of Museum and Library Services, and technical assistance to potential applicants and grant recipients. This project also provides funds for salaries and benefits for one manager, one consultant and one support staff in the Office of Community Development.

Organization: Division of Library and Information Services
Category: Statewide - Core Division Projects
Project Name: Planning, Evaluation, and Statistics Unit
Amount: \$41,535
Population to Be Served: 1,821
Area Served: Statewide
Summary: The Planning, Evaluation, and Statistics Unit of the State Library and Archives of Florida provides assistance to public libraries, which enables these libraries to provide improved services to their patrons. The Planning, Evaluation, and Statistics Unit works with the public libraries to demonstrate the value, effectiveness, and efficiency of libraries in Florida. In 2007-2008, the Planning, Evaluation and Statistics Unit will continue to collect, publish, and analyze public library data; conduct evaluation activities that will enable grant recipients to evaluate their project; and expand and maintained the Florida Library Information Database. Additionally, the Planning, Evaluation and Statistics Unit will coordinate and facilitate long-range planning activities for public libraries across the state.

Organization: Division of Library and Information Services
Category: Statewide - Core Division Projects
Project Name: State Library Resource Sharing and Collection Development
Amount: \$627,015
Population to Be Served: 18,089,888
Area Served: Statewide
Summary: The State Library and Archives of Florida strives to meet a variety of information needs statewide. The library provides information services for State of Florida officials and agency employees; supplements the services and collections of libraries throughout Florida; supplements the services and collections of libraries throughout Florida through interlibrary loan, resource sharing, reference services, and cataloging of State of Florida documents; and develops its collections to ensure that Floridians have access to information about Florida's past, present and future. Resource sharing through interlibrary loan is essential to Florida libraries. Approximately 40% of the holdings in the statewide database are unique to a single library. Resource sharing allows libraries statewide to have timely access to accurate and relevant information. Approximately 75% of interlibrary loan requests originating in Florida are filled by other Florida libraries. The State Library of Florida is the library of the first resort for interlibrary

loan requests from Florida libraries that do not use OCLC, and the library of last resort for interlibrary loan requests from Florida libraries that use OCLC for interlibrary loan. The State Library administers and coordinates FLIN, the Florida Library Information Network. The State Library receives interlibrary loan request electronically through OCLC, by fax, email, phone and mail. The State Library contracts with OCLC and Sirs/Dynix for systems support needed for interlibrary loan and resource sharing activities. Activities performed by State Library staff for interlibrary loan and resource sharing include collecting appropriate materials for its special and circulating collections, processing interlibrary loan requests, adding material to the State Library online catalog, verifying correct State Library holdings information is listed in statewide databases, and ensuring that online services are available to on-site and remote users at all times.

Organization:	Division of Library and Information Services
Category:	Statewide - Div. Projects Expanding Public Access
Project Name:	Florida Memory Project
Amount:	\$254,000
Population to Be Served:	18,089,888
Area Served:	Statewide
Summary:	The Florida Memory Program enhances access to the State Library and Archives resources for researchers, teachers, students, and government by providing digitized sources of irreplaceable historical resources through Internet workstation in libraries, schools, homes, and businesses.

Organization: Division of Library and Information Services
Category: Statewide - Projects Benefiting Florida Libraries
Project Name: Florida Electronic Library
Amount: \$4,206,333
Population to Be Served: 18,089,888
Area Served: Statewide
Summary: The Florida Electronic Library is a wide range of electronic information resources, digital content and online information services organized in a coherent and cohesive manner that can be searched by Florida residents through the World Wide Web. Users are able to retrieve information from all libraries statewide through a single search. The Florida Electronic Library complements the print resources in Florida library collections and serving as a gateway to all of Florida's print resources.
This program will build on and enhance content and activities developed in prior years. Continued access will be provided to a core collection of electronic databases. MetaLib/SFX will operationalize the pilot findings into a full implemented library portal. Access to "FloridaCat," the Florida Group Catalog, will continue to be provided. The DLLI statewide delivery service will be continued in order to provide an effective statewide transport system to move large amounts of printed matter directly to library users. Additional digital collections and continued development of a technological architecture to support searching and retrieval of digital resources will continue. The *Ask a Librarian* live virtual reference service will be continued and expanded to additional participating libraries.

Organization: Division of Library and Information Services
Category: Statewide - Projects Benefiting Florida Libraries
Project Name: Recruitment and Leadership Development
Amount: \$284,039
Population to Be Served: 375
Area Served: Statewide
Summary: Recruitment and leadership development are essential ongoing goals for the future of library services in Florida. This project enables the State Library and Archives to respond to recruitment, succession planning, and leadership development needs for individuals in all types of libraries (public, academic, and special) and at all levels working in Florida's public libraries (emergent

leaders, middle managers, directors, new directors and paraprofessionals) by providing strategies for identifying those recruitment/ leadership needs; programs to identify leadership/ recruitment candidates; and methods to train and develop future leaders / new staff employees as set out in the *Florida Library Leadership Plan: Developing a Statewide Approach 2004-2009*. The State Library and Archives will continue a fourth year of the Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute and the Florida Library Jobs recruitment online site in cooperation of the Northeast Florida Library Information Network and the Southeast Florida Library Network facilitation. The State Library and Archives will also continue the leadership segment's third year of the formal mentoring program as part of the Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute, as well as the third year for the middle manager symposiums.

The project also includes two long standing successful programs that were previously separate projects, but serve the same targeted audiences that are put forth in the Florida Library Leadership Plan. These include the annual Florida Library Directors' meeting for all Florida public library directors and the New Public Library Directors' Orientation for new directors and assistant directors in Florida.

Organization:	Division of Library and Information Services
Category:	Statewide - Projects Benefiting Public Libraries
Project Name:	Florida Library Youth Program 2008-2009
Amount:	\$200,000
Population to Be Served:	600,000
Area Served:	Statewide
Summary:	The Florida Library Youth Program encourages children and their families to use their local public library for both educational and recreational purposes during school vacation periods, especially the traditional summer vacation time of June, July, and August. The goal of this statewide program is to encourage all children, especially those who are economically deprived, to become life long readers and library users. Research has shown that there is a direct correlation between vacation reading and school achievement. The Florida Library Youth Program, through cooperative statewide planning, provides to youth services staff a program manual and supporting materials in English/Spanish, professionally designed promotional materials, regional staff development and training workshops, and funds for youth services staff to attend conferences and/or to deliver special programs.