

Library Services and Technology Act Grants Awarded April 2019

Digital Imaging - \$176,746

State Historical Society of Missouri - \$150,500

The Missouri Digital Newspaper Project will provide historically significant newspapers in digital format for every county in Missouri over the course of several years. In this the second year of the project, the focus will be on 10 counties in the Missouri Ozarks that currently have no newspaper digital content as well as counties where high interest has been expressed: Jasper, Lewis and Boone.

University of Central Missouri (UCM), James C. Kirkpatrick Library - \$26,246

The Library will create a regional digitization center to assist community partners with scanning, cataloging, and hosting unique collections. Local partners include Trails Regional Library and several programs of study at UCM. During this phase of the project, a consultant will be hired to identify and prioritize collections, basic metadata will be created, and staff will be trained on topics such as metadata creation, image processing and digital preservation.

Spotlight on Literacy - \$234,549

Bollinger County Library - \$18,128

The Library will provide Adult Education and Literacy programs after hours at the library. The programs will improve each participant's ability to read, write, and perform mathematics or other activities necessary for the attainment of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent; transition to postsecondary education and/or training, and to obtain employment.

Cape Girardeau Public Library - \$19,000

The Library will conduct programs targeting expectant mothers, families with children ages birth to 6 years, early childhood caregivers, and community partners with programs that serve families with children in the target age-range, especially those serving low-income families and at-risk populations.

Carter County Library - \$20,000

The Library will provide early literacy programs in the library and at partner locations, to reach at-risk children and their families.

Carthage Public Library - \$19,360

The Library will continue offering "Your Path to Citizenship @ Carthage Public Library", which serves adult patrons whose native language is not English.

Carthage Public Library - \$12,166

The Library will continue its successful early literacy program with the target audience of Hispanic populations. Story times will be held at the library as well as outreach visits at the Dual Immersion Kindergarten and first grade classes in Carthage.

Daniel Boone Regional Library - \$20,097

The Library will update and reprint its “Music and Movement” booklet and enhance this tool through the creation of online video segments of library staff singing the songs and demonstrating suggested actions. Family-targeted “Music and Movement” early literacy programs will be held at each of the Library’s physical locations, and at partner locations in Boone and Callaway counties. A professional musical preschool educator will provide a workshop for parents and childcare providers as well as present a program for families. Finally, a childcare workshop will be held to offer instruction on using music with young children.

Hannibal Free Public Library - \$2,200

The Library will provide three informative programs such as a Mark Twain interpreter, a book discussion, an author lecture/book signing and/or similar events to complement the City of Hannibal’s Bicentennial.

James Memorial Public Library - \$8,658

The Library will conduct programming to increase opportunities for learning and positive engagement for tweens through access to technology and tween-specific programming.

Joplin Public Library - \$8,272

The Library will conduct an outreach program to meet early literacy needs of children unable to visit the library and attend story time programs. The Library will hire a designated staff member for community outreach, to help expand outreach efforts.

Kansas City Public Library - \$17,022

The Library will improve resources and services to young learners on the autism spectrum through staff training and specialized supplies, reach underserved at-risk populations through LaundryCare story times, and replace heavily used early literacy resources that are near end of life.

McDonald County Library - \$4,868

The Library will offer a bilingual story time program targeting the English Language Learner population’s children and caregivers. Additionally, the Library will purchase materials for circulation that support English language learning.

Mid-Continent Public Library - \$8,946

The Library will expand its Lone Jack Branch’s 2018-2019 literacy project to help improve the reading scores of students in third and fourth grade in the Lone Jack C-6 School District.

Mid-Continent Public Library - \$6,500

The Library will conduct a program to strengthen the early literacy skill-building techniques of in-home daycare providers in Blue Springs and Grain Valley.

Mound City Public Library - \$3,900

The Library will conduct an after school STEM program for late elementary and early middle school children from September 2019 through April 2020.

Neosho/Newton County Library - \$3,828

The Library will create a new STEM-literacy program for tweens (ages 9-13). Events will be held monthly at the library, to meet a critical need in the community.

Rolla Public Library - \$7,457

The Library will hold a literacy program for individuals with special needs, such as mobility, developmental, and physical impairments. Programs will be offered twice a month and will work to advance the independence, productivity and literacy of people with disabilities through different activities that include life skills, exercise, education, recreation, and community involvement.

Saint Joseph Public Library - \$13,307

The Library will continue to provide early literacy services through six Family Fun Time events, four large-scale early childhood events, and six smaller-scale library programs. Special effort will be made to reach at-risk teen parents through a partnership with the YWCA.

Saint Louis County Library - \$5,340

The Library will provide literacy bags for children ages 0-5 for use by Parents as Teachers (PAT) Educators. A total of 54 thematic literacy bags will be created to include five books and one manipulative for PAT staff to use in demonstrating early literacy skill-building techniques with families. Each family visited will also be given a book to build home libraries and a resource folder with extension activities and a list of applicable library events.

Saint Louis County Library - \$2,827

The Library will conduct adult programs aimed to help adult learners increase reading and English skills and transition to more advanced, workforce-enhanced programs along a pathway towards furthering education and career goals.

University City Public Library - \$18,634

The Library will partner with University City area preschools to expand its resources and services that promote early literacy skill development, especially in high-risk children.

West Plains Reorganized School, West Plains Middle School - \$14,039

The Library will offer an after school program for 5th, 6th, and 7th grade students reading below grade level to help participants improve their reading scores and foster a love of reading.

Technology Ladder - \$159,696**Doniphan-Ripley County Library - \$15,221**

The Library will replace two patron computers, four staff computers, two graphic design computers, four laptops, two monitors and eight large print keyboards to replace technology that is near end of life.

Ferguson Municipal Public Library - \$39,776

The Library will replace sixteen public computers with all-in-one touchscreen computers, and add ten tablets and two Chromebooks. The new public access computers will better serve patrons of all abilities. The tablets and Chromebooks will be used in new STEAM programs at the library as well as improve support for its robotics program.

Richmond Heights Memorial Library - \$12,747

The Library will overhaul its current technology infrastructure to provide a safer and more reliable technology environment by replacing two rack-mounted network servers and software, one firewall, two switches, three hubs and a photocopier. The Library will also replace one staff computer, one children's computer, two barcode scanners, and a staff printer all of which are near end of life.

Saint Joseph Public Library - \$36,682

The Library will replace 29 of 48 staff computers and 31 of 65 public computers that are near end of life.

Scenic Regional Library - \$8,337

The Library will purchase a self-check workstation for its Owensville branch. This project will provide patrons with independent and faster access to circulation services, reader advisory tools, and program registration.

Springfield-Greene County Library - \$20,699

The Library will replace seventeen computers and one printer used in its Edge Computer Lab. This project will provide more reliable, up-to-date technology to better meet community needs.

Texas County Library - \$26,234

The Library will replace 30 staff and patron computers, 8 barcode readers, and 1 early literacy computer. All computers in the library will have up-to-date office production software installed. Outside technical support will assist with the project.