CAP Grants

The LSTA 2017 cycle introduced the Collections and Programming (CAP) grants program. CAP grants are $5,000 grants to expand collections for a target audience and to increase access to those collections through programs. The primary purpose of the grant is to provide resources for community members with defined needs such as at-risk children, the aging population, people having difficulty using the library, and others targeted in the LSTA priorities.

The following libraries were awarded CAP grants this year:
Avondale Public Library
Copper Queen Library
Desert Foothills Library
Eastern Arizona College - Alumni Library
Maricopa Public Library
Navajo County Library District
Parker Public Library
Patagonia Public Library
Pinal County Library District
Prescott Valley Public Library
Rio Salado College Library
Safford City-Graham County Library
Scottsdale Public Library
Show Low Public Library

LSTA General Grants

Ak-Chin Elders on the Go

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Project Summary

The goal of this project is to increase Ak-Chin Elder library card holders and circulation. Funds will be used to purchase 30 iPad mini 4's, protective cases, a charging station, Cloud Library and OverDrive titles, card cataloging materials, extra headphones, replacement cords and chargers. Community members will benefit because Elders will have the means necessary to improve their memory, possibly slow or prevent Alzheimer's and dementia, and an opportunity to create other social activities (book clubs, readers’ circles and book listening groups).
One Hundred Years of Grand: The Grand Canyon National Park Centennial Project

Project Contact  Robert Spindler
Library  Arizona State University Library
Amount  $31,000.00
Grant Category  Collections

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to facilitate Arizona and national celebrations of the Grand Canyon National Park centennial by improving the public's ability to discover and obtain archival resources about park history from 1890-1940. Funds will be used to digitize, present and deliver publication quality digital copies of archival materials through the Internet. Community members will benefit because they will be able to acquire and reuse archives, enhance their tourism experience with historical context, learn about balancing public and commercial uses of public lands, and celebrate the GCNP centennial with creative uses of historical materials.

Library on the Go: Improving the Digital Library Experience

Project Contact  Jesse Simms
Library  Buckeye Public Library
Amount  $17,250.00
Grant Category  Collections

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to improve access to library information by creating a centralized digital Library experience. Funds will be used to purchase Communico, which will allow us to create a custom library website; online calendar and registration tool; and digital signage content -- all of which will work with a custom library app that will integrate with our eBook collection, social media, and more. Community members will benefit because all library information will be located in one location: the app. In addition, the community will have a mobile-responsive website and program calendar that function and feel the same as the app and digital signage, bringing our community a 21st-century digital library experience.

Casa Grande Public Library Arizona Room Collection

Project Contact  Amber Kent
Library  Casa Grande Public Library
Amount  $4,850.00
Grant Category  Collections

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to increase access to a local history collection by preserving, digitizing, and making available online the historical materials currently stored in the Arizona Room at the Casa Grande Public Library. Funds will be used to pay for a digitization service, and to include the records online in an existing, searchable database. Community members will benefit because records that are in danger of being lost will be preserved for future generations and because the information contained in those records will be made widely available for research and personal interest.
Mobile Puppet Theater

Project Contact  David Brown  
Library  Casa Grande Public Library  
Amount  $5,000.00  
Grant Category  Community  

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to improve access to youth programming within our community and enhance our library users ability to discover and access information about library programs, services, and community resources in an interactive way through a Mobile Puppet Theater and puppet performances tailored with messages about library services such as STEM programming. Funds will be used to purchase puppets, necessary materials, and AV equipment to construct the theater. Community members will benefit because of the expansion and mobility of youth programs, and improved access to information regarding the library’s educational services.

Ready, Set, Kindergarten!

Project Contact  Jennifer Whitt  
Library  Chandler Public Library  
Amount  $15,000.00  
Grant Category  Learning  

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to provide the tools and resources parents need to help get their child ready for Kindergarten. Within five years of the implementation of this program, 70% of children will be entering Kindergarten prepared and ready to succeed. Funds will be used to purchase classroom teaching tools and supplies that support Early Literacy Skills, such as letters (recognition and sound) and numbers (1-30) as have been deemed lacking by Chandler Unified School District. Community members will benefit because when students enter school at bench-mark, teachers are able to teach forward and teach more without having to back-track to bring kids up-to-speed.

Increasing Digital Literacy Skills at the Clifton Public Library

Project Contact  Sabrina Dumas  
Library  Clifton Public Library  
Amount  $10,000.00  
Grant Category  Learning  

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to provide access to digital literacy help for members of our community and increase their digital literacy skills. Funds will be used to hire a Tech Consultant. Community members will be able to schedule one-on-one sessions for help with their tech questions and devices; attend informative tech talks to gain knowledge on a variety of topics; and receive an easy to use "My Tech Book" resource book. Community members will benefit because they will be empowered to seek further educational and personal opportunities.
Free Little Libraries in Cochise County

Project Contact  Amadee Ricketts  Amount  $30,200.00  
Library  Cochise County Library District  Grant Category  Community

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to establish a collection of small, self-standing free little libraries throughout Cochise County where community members can access, borrow, and contribute free books. Funds will be used to customize, install, stock, and maintain free little library boxes; to market and gain support and enthusiasm from partners and the community for this project; and to make sure this project serves our community. Community members will benefit because they will have access to reading materials in more dispersed locations around our very rural county.

If You Build It, They Will Come

Project Contact  Mary Griffith  Amount  $16,700.00  
Library  Cottonwood Public Library  Grant Category  Community

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to equip a free and public space for the community that is capable of providing the technology and capacity needed to foster the exchange of ideas, lifelong education and civic engagement among residents of the Verde Valley. Funds will be used to upgrade available technology and furnishings to accommodate this space. Community members will benefit because expanded access to new ideas, knowledge and technology opens the door for improved quality and enjoyment of life.

Learning, Experience, Technology, and Skills

Project Contact  Michelle Cooley  Amount  $9,158.00  
Library  Elsie S. Hogan Community Library  Grant Category  Community

Project Summary
The goal of this project is for youth (ages 10-18) in our community and surrounding areas to broaden their horizons on business/artistic purposes contributing to cultural, economic and educational development; to provide an environment with hands-on activities and opportunities to discover new ideas, technology and tools in areas of science, world exploration, anatomy, arts, math, and history; and to provide self-expression, creation of original concepts, sharing the knowledge acquired and skill sets. Funds will be used to acquire all necessary resources, equipment, and supplies to implement the program to make it a reality. Community members will benefit because the library will be meeting the needs of individuals who are going to be of great importance in our future.
1001 Questions asked -- The Tuba City Public Library "Technology Ambassadors" are there for you!

**Project Contact**: Judy Finney  
**Library**: Flagstaff City - Coconino County Public Library  
**Amount**: $9,000.00  
**Grant Category**: Community

**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to initiate a learning opportunity benefitting all demographics in response to the requests and needs of community members; Funds will be used to implement a “Technology Ambassador” project for assisting the public when they drop-in to the library as well as when registering for one-on-one tutoring sessions. Community members will benefit through the fulfillment of their desires for assistance with technology in all of its nuances, through social interaction in the educational setting of the Public Library, through acquiring help that is typically expensive to attain free of charge and through the learning of new skills so necessary in the Digital Age.

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**Glendale IDEA Center**

**Project Contact**: Michael Schor  
**Library**: Glendale Public Library  
**Amount**: $28,259.00  
**Grant Category**: Community

**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to offer the services and equipment our customers need to find a job or start or grow their own business. Funds will be used to update or enhance the IDEA Center’s technology and purchase supplies for equipment and programs. Community members will benefit because they will learn the skills needed to succeed in business and/or the workforce and have the tools to accomplish their goals.

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**Glendale StoryWalk**

**Project Contact**: Kim Huff  
**Library**: Glendale Public Library  
**Amount**: $10,000.00  
**Grant Category**: Community

**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to put a StoryWalk in one of the three Glendale parks which are neighbors to the Glendale public libraries. Funds will be used to purchase all materials and services needed to create and install the permanent Glendale StoryWalk. Community members will benefit because StoryWalks are fun, educational activities that promote reading and early literacy. The physical movement/actions, that accompany the story, promote physical activity, all while experiencing the joy of reading in an unconventional setting while utilizing a city park's facility.
Everything is AWEsome at Greenlee Public Libraries

Project Contact: Karen Soohy
Library: Greenlee County Library System
Amount: $30,000.00
Grant Category: Learning

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to provide digital technology dedicated for children's use to enhance early literacy and digital literacy for children ages 2-12. Funds will be used to purchase AWE tablets as well as area rugs, tables and chairs to create a tablet use area, security cables, damage protection, electrical accessories, headphones, charging stations and accessories, tablet stands, sanitary cleaners for headphones and tablet screens and promotional costs. Training costs will be included as well as mileage for any travel to do requested demos and training at local organizations/schools. Community members will benefit by increasing basic curriculum knowledge and school readiness skills and digital literacy of the targeted age group.

K.I.D.S. Library "Making" STEM Materialize!!

Project Contact: Tammy Nelson
Library: Kinsey Inquiry and Discovery Elementary School Library
Amount: $45,626.00
Grant Category: Learning

Project Summary
The goal of the project is to provide quality STEM education with 21st Century STEM materials, resources, experiences, and problem-based programs for our Title One Students. Funds will be providing STEM books, resources for a library STEM Education Center, and a Makerspace. This project will give our students a strong foundation in STEM learning so that they can compete in the future global economy and aspire to STEM careers. Also providing stimulating, interesting, critical thinking problem-based learning activities in a Makerspace will make students have fun learning and give them skills to be future problem solvers in our community. More early integrated STEM learning gives students a solid STEM foundation to be prepared for upper grades and college STEM courses.

Expanding NCLD's automation network to include ONNL

Project Contact: Geneva Durkee
Library: Navajo County Library District
Amount: $11,787.00
Grant Category: Collections

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to convert the Office of Navajo Nation Library from its obsolete Winnebago automation system to the Navajo County Library District's up-to-date SirsiDynix system. Funds will be used to contract with SirsiDynix for MARC data migration, staff training, and travel by NCLD and ONNL staff for training. Community members will benefit because they will have much better access to library information, especially holdings in 16 libraries. For residents of the Navajo Reservation they’ll be able to access Kayenta and Navajo Nation library holdings, plan their library visits more efficiently, and be more efficiently served when they visit. Staff of the two libraries can consider job sharing.
**Healthy Living, Healthy Cooking plus add a lot of STEAM**

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**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to "foster self-reliance by teaching participants to prepare meals that will lead to better health for themselves and their families" and to foster a love for STEAM. Funds will be used to purchase a Mobile kitchen and misc, cooking equipment. Community members will benefit because they will live a healthier lifestyle and their children will have a greater opportunity to discover what they can do in the future, not only for themselves but for the world!

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**Maker Space and Coding Club**

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**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to serve Parker youth, ages 10 to 17, two afternoons per month to engage in STEM projects using the Parker Library Maker Space and the Coding Club. Community members will benefit because Parker youth will be focus their energy on productive, challenging activities and creates an afterschool and summer activity in a rural area with few other engaging opportunities.

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**Homework Help Program**

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**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to provide tutoring help for academically at-risk children, ages five through 12, who do not qualify for special education, and cannot get the extra academic help they need at school or at home. Funds will be used to pay a tutor and to purchase basic school supplies such as pencils, paper, markers, and erasers. Community members will benefit from this program because it is a collaborative effort to help children succeed in school by providing opportunities for the children and parents to receive quality tutoring, learning experiences, tools and strategies that support continuous learning at home and at school.
A Space to Learn, Create, Engage, and Play

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**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to provide the teen & tween community of the Payson area with a gaming and technology center as well as gaming programs that educate, inspire, and entertain. We will accomplish this goal through a variety of instructional and informational programs provided by library staff, adding a new coding and gaming print collection, converting the library director's office into a Library Teen/Tween Gaming and Technology space, and promoting the use of this space to local schools. Community members will benefit because they will have a safe youth oriented place to engage in gaming and technology, be introduced to the library, and be encouraged to create and innovate.

Robotics Parts Lending Library

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**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to establish a Robotics Parts Lending Library and expand accompanying Robotics Classes. Funds will be used to purchase Robotics Parts, Storage and a Laser Cutter. Community members will benefit because they will be able to use Robotics Parts as a free library resource as well as receive training in robotics and preparation for robotics competitions.

Grow & Play Space

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**Project Summary**
The goal of the Grow and Play Space is to establish an innovative destination for children, parents and caregivers. It will promote early literacy and brain development through age appropriate learning for children, and will offer support and education to parents and caregivers. Funds will be used to purchase the technology and furniture necessary to provide this learning environment for both children and adults. Community members will benefit because they will have access to a free space full of resources and expertise that are difficult for individuals to supply for them. Additionally, children who grow to their full potential become better citizens and community members.
You Too! Community Access and Engagement Through Assistive Technology

**Project Contact**  Martha Baden  
**Amount**  $38,530.00

**Library**  Prescott Public Library  
**Grant Category**  Community

**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to increase access for adults with visual and/or hearing impairments to information, civic engagement, educational and social opportunities in Prescott. Funds will be used to purchase assistive technology and training creating a portal to engagement throughout the community. Community members will benefit because adults with visual and/or hearing impairments will have access to assistive technology tools in various locations in Prescott that enhance communication and learning and increase their participation in the life of the city. Community organizations and businesses will benefit from increased awareness of the needs of adults with visual and/or hearing impairments and strategies for addressing those needs.

Programming in a Box

**Project Contact**  Shelbie Marks  
**Amount**  $2,500.00

**Library**  Prescott Valley Public Library  
**Grant Category**  Learning

**Project Summary**
The goal of this project is to bring relevant and innovative programming to the Prescott Valley Public Library and the Yavapai Library Network that encourages and fosters 21st century learning. Funds will be used to purchase materials for programming. Community members will benefit because these boxes will allow the participating libraries to create innovative programming.

Lego Imaginarium

**Project Contact**  Paula Grigsby  
**Amount**  $5,000.00

**Library**  Rim Community Library  
**Grant Category**  Community

**Project Summary**
The goal of the project is to set up and implement a regularly scheduled activity for the community members in the age range of 6 to 14. Funds will be used to purchase, maintain, research and utilize all necessary items in order to successfully implement the Lego club in Heber-Overgaard. This project will address the very limited opportunities for children within the community, especially in the area of exploration and creativity.
Building the Coders and Teammates of Tomorrow: Safford Library Coding Club

Project Contact: Brandon Nite
Amount: $6,015.00
Library: Safford City-Graham Library
Grant Category: Learning

Project Summary:
The goal of this project is to expand Graham County's 8-13 year olds' education in technology and soft skills, giving them quality STEAM-related experience that can better equip their passions to seek long-term education and careers in growing industries. Funds will be used to ensure adequate technology, supplies and support toward this goal. Community members will benefit because Graham County's 8-13 year olds will be taught skills that help form them as valuable members of the community. Soft skills, regardless of the career field these students eventually enter, will continue to be in high demand across the Gila Valley. We will seek to inspire Coding Club kids to thrive in teamwork situations wherever those may occur in their lives.

Footprints on the Desert: Frank Lloyd Wright in Arizona

Project Contact: Katie O’Connor
Amount: $36,000
Library: Scottsdale Public Library
Grant Category: Community

Project Summary:
The goal of this project is to expose people of all walks of life to the design of Frank Lloyd Wright and its impact on current society. Funds will be used to create an interactive exhibit and complementary programs and library materials. Community members will benefit because the exhibit will be free at Scottsdale Public Library. Visitors to The Arizona Heritage Center can gain free access through the Culture Pass program in local public libraries.

Creation Station Maker Space

Project Contact: Lisa Lewis
Amount: $11,000.00
Library: Show Low Public Library
Grant Category: Community

Project Summary:
The goal of this project is to create a maker space at Show Low Public Library. Funds will be used to purchase equipment, supplies and materials for a variety of different hands on activities and projects. Community members will benefit because it will allow them to explore their creativity and learn new skills as well as serving their community through service projects. They will also be able to interact socially with others, share their talents and expertise and create friendships.
Mobile Makerspace

Project Contact  Sierra Baril  
Library  Sierra Vista Public Library  
Amount  $22,050.00  
Grant Category  Learning

Project Summary
The goal of the Project is to allow equal opportunity to technology for community members through a mobile makerspace. Funds will be used to pay for three mobile makerspaces: a cart to teach coding with Chromebooks, iPads, and a Prenda subscription; a cart to encourage new technological skills with a 3D printer, 3D printer pens, bristlebot kits, and a vinyl cutter; and a textile art cart with a serger, sewing machines, fabric, looms, duct tape, crocheting and knitting supplies. Community members will benefit because they will learn marketable skills, engage in 21st century learning (in the cases of children working together), and discover new technologies and hobbies that they can further explore regardless of economic hurdles or rural locations.

The Democracy Wall Project

Project Contact  Dr. Cate McNamara  
Library  South Mountain Community Library  
Amount  $9,900.00  
Grant Category  Community

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to provide a safe environment that promotes respectful civic discourse and civic engagement. Funds will be used for supplies, data collection and analysis, and marketing tools. Community members will benefit because they will have a public venue whereby they can participate in public discourse by expressing their views and concerns about the needs of their communities and topics of concern.

Street Books

Project Contact  Nick Escalante  
Library  Tempe Public Library  
Amount  $40,000.00  
Grant Category  Community

Project Summary
The goal of this project is assist our community and its homeless and veteran residents in accessing library and other City and local resources through a book bike program called "Street Books". Funds will be used to hire a consultant, the bike, and other supplies to support this program. Community members will benefit because the Street Books will provide service, assistance, and dignity to all it serves while generating a higher level of library relevancy and engagement.
Spring Valley Opening Day Collection

Project Contact: Corey Christians
Amount: $15,050.00
Library: Yavapai County Free Library District

Grant Category: Collections

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to provide a core collection of materials for the Spring Valley Public Library and make those materials available to public; Funds will be used to purchase, process, catalog, and circulate a core collection of materials; Community members will benefit because they will have a new library with a core collection of materials to circulate while also being able to have YLN member items delivered to their library.

StoryShare: A Library Outreach Program for Seniors in Care Facilities

Project Contact: Corey Christians
Amount: $20,000.00
Library: Yavapai County Free Library District

Grant Category: Community

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to deliver multi-modal, theme-based storytimes to residents in a variety of senior care facilities, addressing a vital need for activity, intellectual stimulation, and social contact for those who cannot physically reach the library. StoryShare focuses on the sharing of elders' stories in response to the programming, directly supporting residents' needs for human contact. Funds will be used to purchase materials, develop kits, and deliver professional storytimes that elicit conversation, reminiscence work, play, and connection among participants. Community members will benefit because these programs will be documented and can be adapted in a variety of settings, including by volunteers, care providers, and family members caring for their loved ones at home.

Remedial Rescue

Project Contact: Susan Lapis
Amount: $52,375.00
Library: Yavapai County Free Library District

Grant Category: Learning

Project Summary
The goal of this project is to provide a Career Online High School service that has a proven track record to enable citizens to obtain their High School Diploma. Funds will be used to purchase Career Online High School. Community members will benefit because they will have access to a well-designed program that provides initial assessment, coaches and tutors. The program provides 24 hour access 7 days a week so that students will have flexibility to find the best time to engage with program.
LEADing Technology Project (Libraries Enabling Assistive Discovery Technology Project)

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Project Summary
The goal of this project is to launch the LEADing Technology Project (Libraries Enabling Assistive Discovery Technology Project) to improve educational services to, and provide resources for, the developmentally disabled community in Yuma County for their positive mental health, communication, literacy acquisition, and future academic success. Funds will be used to purchase assistive technology, software, marketing, supplies, travel, and training. Community members will benefit because this Project will create an inclusive learning environment that provides resources to individuals with developmental disabilities which will eventually help them lead successful lives in their communities and the global society.

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