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LSTA 2020 Snapshot

CAP Grants

CAP (Collections and Programming) grants are \$4,000 grants to expand collections for a target audience and to increase access to those collections through programming. The primary purpose of these grants is to provide resources for community members with defined needs such as at-risk children, the aging population, people having difficulties using the library, and others targeted in the LSTA priorities.

The following libraries were awarded CAP grants this year:

Buckeye Public Library
Chandler Public Library
Casa Grande Public Library
Cochise County Library District
Copper Queen Library, Bisbee
Dewey-Humboldt Library
Duncan Public Library
Glendale Public Library
Prescott Valley Public Library (2)
Show Low Public Library
Tempe Public Library

Citizen Science Grants

Citizen Science grants are grants of \$3,000 each to help libraries introduce the world of Citizen science to community members by providing science-based programming with the assistance of simple, convenient, and ready-to-use kits. These kits will provide community members with the tools to collect, analyze, and report on research projects important to scientists.

The following libraries were awarded Citizen Science grants this year:

Avondale Public Library
Prescott Valley Public Library
Scottsdale Public Library
Yuma County Library District

Staff Development Grants

Staff Development grants are grants of \$4,000.00 each to help libraries across the state deliver top-quality training for staff that are unable to attend other trainings offered by the State Library due to limited time or budgets.

The following libraries were awarded Staff Development grants this year:

Chandler Public Library
Scottsdale Public Library

Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending Grants

A hotspot is an area where users can access the Internet using Wi-Fi from a small device with a cell phone data plan. Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending grants are grants of \$4,000 each to be used to provide people with free, 24/7 access to the Internet in areas of limited Internet availability in order to allow people to meet their information needs in new ways.

The following libraries were awarded Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending grants this year:

Central Arizona College Library
Cochise College Libraries
Douglas Public Library
Glendale Public Library (2)
Eastern Arizona College
Huachuca City Public Library
Page Public Library
Paradise Valley Community College - Buxton Library
Peoria Public Library
Prescott Valley Public Library
Scottsdale Community College
Sinagua Middle School Library
Tolleson Public Library
Yuma County Library District

LSTA General Grants

StoryWalk® in Ak-Chin

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| Library | Ak-Chin Indian Community Library |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | Melanie Toledo |
| Award | \$9,400 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to increase literacy skills while promoting physical activity by introducing StoryWalk® to families. Funds will be used to purchase two (2) sets of StoryWalk® kiosks for the two ACIC parks. Community members will benefit because StoryWalk® helps build children's interest in reading while encouraging healthy outdoor activity for both children and adults.

Community-Driven Archives: Digital Preservation Workshop

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| Library | Arizona State University Library |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | Nancy Godoy |
| Award | \$ 80,111 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to design and pilot a Digital Preservation Workshop that educates and empowers individuals who have been historically underserved and excluded from Arizona archives and memory. Funds will be used to hire staff (Project Archivist and Project Assistant) for a year and purchase equipment (external hard drives) that will be given to participants in an "Archive Starter Kit". Community members will benefit because they will learn digital skills and how to appraise, arrange, describe, and preserve their digital archives.

Engaging Young Readers through Audio-Enabled Books

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| Library | Buckeye Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Jesse Simms |
| Award | \$ 18,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to improve listening and reading comprehension by providing English, Spanish, and bilingual materials that are both print books and audio books. Funds will be used to purchase VOX Books as well as mobile carts to allow easy access to suitable library programs. Community members will benefit because they will have access to materials that can disrupt the negative cycle of reluctant readers or those with reading disabilities and provide an engaging and multi-modal path toward improved reading comprehension.

Evaluate our Mission and Define Strategies

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| Library | Camp Verde Community Library |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | Kathy Hellman |
| Award | \$ 10,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to provide training to help Camp Verde Community Library (CVCL) develop a strategy for evaluating and identifying program opportunities that align with their town's mission. CVCL will use the funds to work with a local consultant to evaluate the current library and town mission, interview and consult with library staff to get an understanding of the challenges they face when deciding where/how to invest their resources, and then present the results and facilitate meeting the outcomes during the staff training day. Community members will benefit because CVCL will be better aligned with their town's mission and better equipped to meet the needs of their community long term.

Building Bridges, Collections, and New Media Skills: Chandler Library and Chandler Museum Production Studio Partnership

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| Library | Chandler Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Jean Reynolds |
| Award | \$ 16,822 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is a digital history collaboration focused on collecting oral histories from Chandler's African American community by equipping The Makery's production studio at Chandler Public Library; Funds will be used to purchase audio-visual hardware and software; Community members will benefit because new collections will be preserved, new opportunities will exist to build digital literacy skills with current and emerging media creation tools, and Library and Museum collections, programs, and services will be more inclusive.

DSLR Cameras and Editing Software for Hamilton Public Library and Hamilton High School

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| Library | Chandler Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Jill Baker |
| Award | \$ 17,384 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to increase the public's knowledge of cameras, photography, and editing software while providing the students with additional cameras for their photography classes. Funds will be used to purchase 36 Canon DSLR camera kits that include 2 lenses and a

case, 18 SD cards, and a separately purchased battery charging cart. If there are extra funds, we would use them to purchase camera accessories that could enhance library photography programs, like a filter, flash, gimbal or tripod. Community members will benefit because there already is a need for more cameras at the High School. Having the cameras for the public allows community members access to the hardware, software and knowledge where oftentimes the cost is too high, therefore making it a challenge for jobs or to discover a new hobby.

Eat Local

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| Library | Cochise County Library District |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Amadee Ricketts |
| Award | \$ 36,130 |

Project Summary

The goal of the Eat Local project is to increase awareness of and action toward eating local food among Cochise County residents through various activities coordinated by the Library District. Funds will be used to develop book club and children’s materials, purchase book collections for all participating county libraries, host lecturers, develop and manage an online community for general and book club discussions, build awareness of local food options, and host a culminating event featuring local food producers. Community members will benefit directly through better awareness of and access to local food and indirectly through building a stronger local food economy.

Access to Justice: Law4AZ 2.0

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| Library | Coconino County Law Library |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Gretchen Hornberger |
| Award | \$ 7,409 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to identify Arizona’s regions with the greatest justice gap, measure public libraries’ tech-readiness to become AZCourtHelp Legal Talks Broadcast-Receiving Sites, create trainings for public libraries on providing legal resources to patrons, and train a cadre of law library staff as regional trainers. Funds will be used for attending the LSTA Grant Recipients workshop, for leasing project management and survey software, and for law library staff to travel to the train-the-trainer workshop. Community members will benefit because they will have greater access through their public libraries to the legal resources their needs demand.

2020 LSTA Accessibility Grant

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| Library | Coolidge Public Library |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Joyce Baker |
| Award | \$ 10,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to provide resources and services to the visually impaired community. Funds will be used to purchase two assistive devices, software, and computer upgrades for one computer. Patrons will use this equipment to access print material, navigate the computer, and retrieve Internet resources. Funds will also be used to offer classes on the new equipment for staff and to this specialized community. In addition, the training will introduce participants to other services which may be unknown to them. The visually impaired community will benefit because they will be able to access information that was previously unobtainable without asking for assistance.

Cooking With STEAM: Learning Is Delicious!

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| Library | Douglas Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Margaret White |
| Award | \$ 14,060 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to improve community health, nutrition, and well-being by teaching children to become confident cooks – to prepare snacks and meals that are fun, easy, nutritious, and delicious and that will lead to better health for themselves and their families now and in the future. We plan to incorporate cooking instruction into Story Hour and STEAM Club programs by using a hands-on, interactive learning model. Funds will be used to purchase a mobile kitchen cart and two accompanying cooking curricula; a refrigerator; supplemental cooking equipment; and menu ingredients. Community members will benefit because their children will learn a new skill that will encourage creativity, confidence, and a healthier lifestyle.

Beautification and Sustainable Landscaping through Xeriscape

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| Library | Flagstaff City -- Coconino County Public Library |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | William Ascarza |
| Award | \$ 7,000 |

Project Summary

This project's goal is to create a xeriscape on the grounds of the Tuba City Public Library that will educate residents on the values of sustainable landscaping. Trees, shrubs, soil, rock borders and other attractive features will be installed where none currently exist enabling the library, the

networking hub of the community to serve as a model for sustainable landscaping. Funds will be used to purchase materials for the xeriscape and to pay landscaping and design technicians, and educators who will offer programs based on environmental sustainability practices. Community members will benefit because they will have access to a model of local xeriscaping, free informational workshops and a better understanding on how to implement similar projects at their respective homes.

Alternative Formats for Children and Teens

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| Library | Glendale Public Library |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Kristin Fletcher-Spear |
| Award | \$ 10,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to create special collections of alternative formats for children and teenagers. Funds will be used to purchase picture book audiobooks and Thorndike Press Striving Readers collections for the libraries. Community members will benefit because the Library will be providing them with tools that they can use to be successful in their reading endeavors both educationally and recreationally.

Kindergarten Readiness @ GPL

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| Library | Glendale Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Kristin Fletcher-Spear |
| Award | \$ 25,500 |

Project Summary

The goal of the project is to create school readiness programs at the Glendale Public Library. Funds will be used to train the staff, provide school tools for the participants, and program supplies. Community members will benefit because they will receive parent-child training and feel more prepared for school. They will see the library as an educational partner and know the benefits of forming the habit of reading 20 minutes or more a day.

Greenlee Makerspaces

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| Library | Greenlee County Library System |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | Karen Soohy |
| Award | \$ 50,763 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to create one makerspace in each of the Duncan and Clifton Public Libraries. Funds will be used to hire a consultant, purchase supplies to stock two makerspaces,

provide any training needed for makerspace items, public relations, and add books to the collections covering the makerspace content. Community members will benefit because they will learn new skills and foster creativity.

Fab Lab

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| Library | Mayer Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Danielle Navarro |
| Award | \$ 15,653 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to give children of MPL excellent STEM learning experiences and broaden their horizons of future careers. If funded, this project would turn a part of the MPL into the “Fab Lab”. This would give children a space that would have hands on STEM learning experiences. Students would have exploration and creativity experiences through STEM kits. These kits would have 3-D pens, microscopes, and programming robots. Also, funds would purchase equipment for a summer Coding Club. Community members will benefit because Mayer is a low-income rural area and STEM learning experiences are not provided for their children. This program would fill this need and help the children to become STEM-literate as well as improve their outlook.

Get Ready for School with PLAY

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| Library | Mesa Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Anna Chenoweth |
| Award | \$ 21,676 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to highlight the importance of play and how caregivers can support play with their children and increase school readiness for preschool-aged children. Funds will be used to purchase materials to facilitate school readiness programming and themed imaginative play environments at the library, supporting materials for families that attend, and printed handouts with information on the importance of play. Community members will benefit because children will be better prepared to enter kindergarten, and caregivers will be able to see the value in play, learn how to interact with their children through play, and encourage play with their children in order to build a foundation for learning a variety of skills.

iTeen: Graphic Design at Your Fingertips

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| Library | Mesa Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Jeffrey Stoffer |
| Award | \$ 15,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to teach teens how to create digital media with iPads and give them access to hone their skills at their own leisure. Funds will be used to purchase equipment. Community members will benefit because access to devices and training is not readily available. They will also benefit from building a portfolio that they can use for any number of purposes including college applications, internships and graphic design jobs.

Extended Reality Creation for Arizona Educators

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| Library | Northern Arizona University, Cline Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Kathleen Schmand |
| Award | \$ 70,221 |

Project Summary

Through the Extended Reality Creation for Arizona Educators project, Cline library will expand its current extended reality programming by developing a circulating pool of extended reality equipment while simultaneously providing training, consultations, and a content creation studio. In doing so, education students will be able to develop the knowledge and workforce skills necessary to create and embed immersive technologies in the K-12 classroom. Moreover, regional K-12 educators will benefit from the same access to these extended reality resources in order to further promote the adoption of immersive learning experiences in their classroom. We anticipate tremendous interest in this project beyond K-12 educators and expect to facilitate use of the resources with other faculty and courses at NAU.

Laptops for Digital Literacy

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| Library | Peoria Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Kathleen Wade |
| Award | \$ 12,225 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to educate the community on technology, help people look for jobs, and help people in the community with small businesses. Funds will be used to purchase 10 laptops with Office and antivirus installed on them. Community members will benefit because they will have brand new technology and resources to learn how to use that technology.

101Space Valencia Library

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| Library | Pima County Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Kendra Davey |
| Award | \$ 85,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to expand upon Pima County Public Library's learning lab for young adults. The "101" is the place for young adults wishing to take advantage of innovative learning opportunities that will open a world of possibilities. Funds will be used to purchase furniture, implement 21st century technology, and provide culturally relevant college and career exploration in a peer mentor format. Community members will benefit by gaining access to cost prohibitive 21st century technology and participating in real-world projects and activities that will lead to future employment.

Equity of Access in Rural Communities

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| Library | Safford City - Graham County Library |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Victoria Silva |
| Award | \$ 12,615 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to provide equity of access to members of the community. Funds will be used to purchase materials for one base station for the City of Safford City Hall building, as well as three client stations for three locations. Community members will benefit because more individuals will be able to have Internet access for educational purposes beyond the hours of the library while also helping to drive economic development.

Law4AZ: Scottsdale Public Library Justice Resource Access

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| Library | Scottsdale Public Library |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | Erin Krause Riley |
| Award | \$ 3,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to increase access to justice statewide by connecting people to legal information through their libraries. The funds will be used to provide free legal resources and research assistance to patrons at our main branch. The library staff will receive training on the basics of legal information and legal reference services through a series of free webinars by legal professionals and staff training programs. Community members will benefit because more individuals will have greater access to legal information/resources through their public libraries to meet their legal needs.

Community Needs Assessment for Sedona Public Library

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| Library | Sedona Public Library |
| Grant Category | Inclusive Communities |
| Project Contact | Judy Poe |
| Award | \$ 12,525 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to conduct a community needs assessment to determine current and upcoming resident and visitor needs in the Sedona, Coconino and Yavapai counties. The funds will be used to engage a consultant, publish the needs assessment report, and for presentation and public relations materials. The report will guide our creation of three plans: strategic, tech refresh, and a floor/space plan for the building in West Sedona. Community members will benefit by having a public library that aligns strategically, technologically and physically with their needs, having a sense of ownership of their library, and having a further or new awareness of the Library as a strong community leader.

DIY MEMORY LAB

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| Library | Show Low Public Library |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Lisa Lewis |
| Award | \$ 12,500 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to provide the necessary equipment and education for our community members to preserve their family history of photos, journals, diaries, film, letters, etc. by digitizing the materials and storing the materials digitally. Funds will be used to purchase several different pieces of equipment that provide this service. Community members will benefit because the library will become a one-stop facility where they can bring their precious materials and preserve them digitally which can then be protected, shared among family members, and stored safely.

Tween S.T.E.A.M. Kits

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| Library | Tempe Public Library |
| Grant Category | Informal Education |
| Project Contact | Meghan Cyr |
| Award | \$ 6,000 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to create a tween-oriented space within the youth section of the library. Funds will be used to furnish the space and purchase materials for new STEAM kits and supplies for tween programs. Community members will benefit by providing continuous access to resources and technology while in the library. Tweens representing all demographics will be able

to learn more about S.T.E.A.M. in a way that meets their individual needs and is most meaningful to them. In turn, the library will better serve our community by filling it with innovative, tech-savvy, and S.T.E.A.M. oriented professionals.

S.H.U.S.H. - Schools of Humboldt Unified Sharing Holdings

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| Library | Yavapai County Free Library District |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Valerie Burns |
| Award | \$ 25,564 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to bring eight K-12 schools from the Humboldt Unified School District into the Yavapai Library Network. Funds will be used to cover the expenses of automating the libraries and/or transferring their data to our Integrated Library System (ILS). All Yavapai County residents will benefit once these libraries are part of the YLN because they will gain access to the new members' materials. The schools' students, faculty and staff will, in return, benefit because they will gain access to all YLN materials, technology, training, expertise and subscriptions.

SALSA - School Administration and Library Staff Advancement

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| Library | Yavapai County Free Library District |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Corey Christians |
| Award | \$ 58,204 |

Project Summary

The project develops a countywide professional support service for the 26 districts and 102 schools that have K-12 library paraprofessional and professional staff. The goal of this project is to help school districts integrate library services into their curriculum, educate paraprofessional staff on library operations, increase awareness of the importance of school libraries to administrators, and help school library staff build relationships across district boundaries. Funds will be used to hire an MLS-degreed librarian with school library experience and pay for a portion of this person's travel around the County. Community members will benefit because their children will have an opportunity to learn from more knowledgeable and professional paraprofessional school library staff.

Yavapai Event Services (YES) – Extended Reach

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| Library | Yavapai County Free Library District |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Corey Christians |
| Award | \$ 31,065 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to build on our success in creating a county-wide and event management service that publicizes events from libraries, government entities, and community organizations. Funds will be used to customize the event and software to make it more appropriate for community partners and more accessible to public users. Funds will also pay to hire a temporary employee to coordinate the expansion to more community partners and to a wider geographic area. Community members will benefit because they will have a single location that they can use to see any entered event in the county. Grant funds will ensure that thousands more Yavapai County residents will have access to curated event information.

Pop Up Yuma

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| Library | Yuma County Library District |
| Grant Category | Information Access |
| Project Contact | Maria Gnagy |
| Award | \$ 28,173 |

Project Summary

The goal of this project is to improve access to reading material to all community members, promote literacy by engaging nontraditional library users, and increase the library's presence within the community. Funds will be used to purchase five hotspot devices, high-demand bilingual e-book content, and bilingual marketing material. Community members will benefit because this project will help build literacy skills, attract more patrons to the Yuma County Public Library's resources, and foster a love of learning and intellectual pursuits. Community members will have increased and easier access to reading material in common spaces throughout their community.