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## LSTA 2022 Snapshot

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### CAP Grants

Collections and Programming (CAP) grants provide \$4,000 each to help libraries expand their collections for target audiences and increase access to those collections through programming. By increasing their collections and providing equitable, diverse and inclusive resources, libraries are better equipped to serve the needs of underserved groups including at-risk children, the aging population, those facing barriers to library access, and other targeted LSTA priority groups.

The following libraries were awarded CAP grants this year:

Ak-Chin Indian Community Library  
Avondale Public Library  
Glendale Public Library  
Huachuca City Public Library  
Parker Public Library  
Peoria Public Library  
Prescott Valley Public Library  
Show Low Public Library  
Snowflake-Taylor Public Library

### Citizen Science Grants

Citizen Science grants provide \$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:

Greenlee County Library System  
Prescott Valley Public Library

## Community Memory Grants

Community Memory grants provide \$4,000 each for libraries to support communities and individuals on their personal archiving and digital preservation journeys in an ever-increasing digital age. Libraries can use this funding to create do-it-yourself digitization spaces for photos, video, sound recordings, and other formats.

The following libraries were awarded Community Memory Grants this year:

Desert Foothills Library  
Page Public Library  
Parker Public Library  
Scottsdale Public Library  
Snowflake-Taylor Public Library

## Staff Development Grants

The Staff Development grant awards \$4,000 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 time, staff or budget limitations.

The following libraries were awarded Staff Development grants this year:

Buckeye Public Library  
East Flagstaff Community Library  
Peoria Public Library  
Prescott Public Library  
Scottsdale Public Library

## Teen Connections Internship Grants

The Teen Connections Internship grant awards \$3,500 each to support career and college readiness through connected learning and library internships for teens. Over the course of 3 to 6 months, each intern will work with their library mentor on a specific community-based learning project that reflects the intern's interests as well as the library's goals. Some examples include projects that help teens develop leadership skills and learn about social responsibility, multiculturalism, and diversity.

The following libraries were awarded Teen Connections Internship Grants this year:

Ak-Chin Indian Community Library  
Apache Junction Public Library  
Casa Grande Public Library  
East Flagstaff Community Library  
Page Public Library  
Winslow Public Library  
Yuma County Library District

## Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending Grants

Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending grants award \$4,000 each to help libraries close the digital divide between those with and without Internet access in their communities. Libraries will use the funds to purchase hotspot devices with cell-phone data plans to lend out to community members who can then access the Internet through the device's Wi-Fi.

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

Casa Grande Public Library  
Cochise College Libraries  
Douglas Public Library  
Fort McDowell Tribal Library  
Glendale Community College – John F. Prince Library  
Huachuca City Public Library  
Page Public Library  
Peoria Public Library  
Prescott Public Library

## LSTA General Grants

### Teach One Reach One

<b>Library</b>	Ak-Chin Indian Community Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	Melanie Toledo
<b>Award</b>	\$ 50,000

#### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to help students living in the Ak-Chin Indian Community to gain reading proficiency by the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. This proficiency is necessary for students to succeed in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade and beyond as the curriculum no longer focuses on learning to read but rather reading to learn. Funds will be used to contract a Reading Specialist with classroom experience to provide on-site tutoring to children K-3<sup>rd</sup> with an emphasis on phonics instruction.

## AJPL Bookmobile Renovation: Enhancing Our Traveling Library & Technology Services

<b>Library</b>	Apache Junction Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Inclusive Communities
<b>Project Contact</b>	Pam Harrison
<b>Award</b>	\$ 30,423

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to provide equitable library services to all people, including underserved populations such as older adults, children, and library non-users experiencing homelessness, disability, limited literacy skills, and lack of transportation. Funds will be used to retrofit an existing bookmobile with custom interior book shelving and technology stations that are mobile-friendly and safe for patron use. The bookmobile will provide additional library service opportunities for information access, workforce development, and the attainment of digital literacy, early literacy, and life literacy skills.

## **Building Digital Collections and Capacity at the Arizona State Museum**

<b>Library</b>	Arizona State Museum Library and Archives
<b>Grant Category</b>	Information Access
<b>Project Contact</b>	Molly Stothert-Maurer
<b>Award</b>	\$ 56,052

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to launch the Arizona State Museum's first digital collections platform, migrate existing digital assets into the system, improve functionality, and increase the quantity of unique historical papers available online to researchers. Community members will have greatly improved and consolidated access to digital collections and access to newly digitized historical materials as well as tools and features to work with Native American materials in a more ethical and collaborative way.

## **Eureka Lab Coding Club**

<b>Library</b>	Beaver Creek Public/School Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	Elizabeth Franklin
<b>Award</b>	\$ 10,800

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to provide enhanced, digital learning opportunities for community members to learn how to code, use state-of-the-art technology, and receive instruction on digital resources. Funds will be used to purchase the Kids First coding and robot program, iPads to code Dash robots, a Boxlight smart board for instruction in using the coding curriculum, and a portable digital overhead projector to offer instruction via books and offline information.

## **Tech Literacy and myLibro Service Integration**

<b>Library</b>	Desert Foothills Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Information Access
<b>Project Contact</b>	Debra Lay
<b>Award</b>	\$ 21,100

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to improve senior patrons' ability to discover new information through technology. Funds will be used to create a new part-time Tech Literacy Library Assistant position to provide both tech classes and 1-to-1 assistance to those who need help operating new devices, accessing resources through online databases, and understanding library e-content.

### **Wi-Fi Hotspots for Online Access**

<b>Library</b>	Eastern Arizona College - Alumni Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Information Access
<b>Project Contact</b>	Tammy Powers
<b>Award</b>	\$ 12,000

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to purchase Wi-Fi hotspots to provide free Wi-Fi access for remote student and adult learner populations. Community members will have access to library and online campus resources for meeting their various needs such as job searching and information access. This grant would continue a need identified at one campus and extend the project to all campuses.

### **StoryWalk® at Keiller Park**

<b>Library</b>	Elsie S. Hogan Community Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	Michelle Leyvas
<b>Award</b>	\$ 12,500

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to promote reading readiness for families in the community. Funds will be used to purchase all supplies and materials needed to create and install a StoryWalk® in Keiller Park. This project will promote family engagement with literacy and learning in a nontraditional outdoor environment that encourages physical activity in a shared community space.

### **Specialty Item Checkouts for Coconino County Public Libraries**

<b>Library</b>	Flagstaff City -- Coconino County Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	William Ascarza
<b>Award</b>	\$ 15,000

### **Project Summary**

This project will provide specialty loaner items to library patrons across Coconino County including outdoor recreational equipment, explorer bags with STEM material and other supplies for children and young adults, musical instruments, digital cameras, outdoor and indoor board games, tools as well as gardening and other outdoor equipment.

## Glendale's 100 Year Digitization Collaboration

<b>Library</b>	Glendale Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	Merideth Jenson-Benjamin
<b>Award</b>	\$ 16,355

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to mark Glendale Public Library's centennial by collecting and digitizing documents, photos, and other memorabilia relating to the Library's history. Funds will be used for programming, project marketing and community digitization efforts. Along with contributing to this digital archive, community members will learn about Glendale's rich history over the last 100 years.

## Take It Make It (TIMI)

<b>Library</b>	Greenlee County Library System
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	Karen Soohy
<b>Award</b>	\$ 13,840

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to create a program of Take It Make It (TIMI) projects for local patrons. Funds will be used to purchase supplies and hire a consultant to develop, promote and manage the program. Community members will have access to program kits that encourage family time and STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts, Math) engagement.

## A to Z, Teen Life Skills

<b>Library</b>	Page Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Inclusive Communities
<b>Project Contact</b>	Debbie Winlock
<b>Award</b>	\$ 7,015

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to teach at-risk teens the skills necessary to gain confidence and succeed as an adult such as cooking, money management, job searching, the basics of hygiene, healthy eating, and more. Funds will be used for marketing, purchasing equipment and material, and hiring an independent contractor to facilitate the Eat Healthy portion of this program.

## Rural Information Outreach for Homebound and Hard-To-Reach Residents

**Library** Parker Public Library  
**Grant Category** Information Access  
**Project Contact** Tracy McConnell  
**Award** \$ 20,700

### Project Summary

The goal of the project is to bring informational resources such as books, digital learning tools, and entertainment to homebound and hard-to-reach rural residents throughout La Paz County while helping those with physical disabilities and/or transportation limitations to overcome barriers to library access. Funds will be used for a dedicated part-time Rural Information Outreach position that will accompany Meals on Wheels and Rural Health Outreach activities.

## Trauma Informed Services

**Library** Pima County Public Library  
**Grant Category** Inclusive Communities  
**Project Contact** Linde Furman  
**Award** \$ 67,485

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to explore trauma-informed services on the individual, organizational, and industry-based level. Funds will be used to create an internal Trauma-Informed Care team, develop a trauma recovery toolkit, work with partners, and pursue professional development for library managers and administrators to better support staff to serve the needs of their patrons who may have suffered from trauma.

## Youth Health Action Fund

**Library** Pima County Public Library  
**Grant Category** Inclusive Communities  
**Project Contact** Matt Landon  
**Award** \$ 34,682

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to address the mental and physical health challenges facing youth in the high-poverty 85705 Tucson zip code by providing literacy, arts, and advocacy opportunities. Funds will be used to purchase media arts equipment, offer digital media training and other learning opportunities, provide experiential internships as well as peer mentoring, and support content creation through connected learning.

## Here to Help: Meeting Social Service Needs

<b>Library</b>	Prescott Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Inclusive Communities
<b>Project Contact</b>	Ruth Hewitt
<b>Award</b>	\$ 25,255

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to aid patrons with finding resources and applying for social services available in the community. Funds will be used to pay for a part-time Assistance Coordinator position to assist community members with finding resources and information about food assistance, temporary or permanent shelter, job assistance, and mental health.

## Community Conversations at the Library (CCL)

<b>Library</b>	Sedona Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Inclusive Communities
<b>Project Contact</b>	Judy Poe
<b>Award</b>	\$ 19,850

### Project Summary

The goal of this project is to foster a sense of unity among community members by engaging them in conversations on topics of concern so that they will learn how to engage in peaceful conversations over controversial topics and discover resources available at the library to facilitate these conversations. Funds will be used to pay stipends to expert speakers and moderators, improve and replace community room equipment, create PR/marketing materials, and purchase related books and materials.

## Beyond Expectations with Music and STEAM

<b>Library</b>	Show Low Public Library
<b>Grant Category</b>	Informal Education
<b>Project Contact</b>	Lisa Lewis
<b>Award</b>	\$ 65,000

### Project Summary

This project will expand STEAM education at the library by integrating a musical learning experience to encourage community engagement, create a more diverse, equitable and inclusive learning environment, provide opportunities to learn about music from different cultures, and encourage career exploration for youth. Funds will be used to purchase equipment to enhance the existing recording studio and maker space as well as materials for programming.



## **PROSPER (Preparing, Researching, Organizing, Selecting, and Promoting Entrepreneurial Resources)**

**Library** Yavapai County Free Library District  
**Grant Category** Inclusive Communities  
**Project Contact** Corey Christians  
**Award** \$ 30,170

### **Project Summary**

The goal of the project is to provide training and resources to new and existing entrepreneurs throughout Yavapai County, an opportunity especially lacking in the most remote parts of the County. Community members will benefit because they will gain access to resources and learn how to start a new business, better manage an existing business, and learn about changes that could affect the operation of their business.

## **Memory Time Project**

**Library** Yuma County Library District  
**Grant Category** Inclusive Communities  
**Project Contact** Brenda Cervantes  
**Award** \$ 6,684

### **Project Summary**

The goal of this project is to increase access to local resources that will encourage conversation and stimulate memory for individuals of various cultural, socioeconomic backgrounds with limitations such as dementia or other cognitive impairment. Funds will be used to purchase a variety of pre-made memory kits for in-house Sensory Storytime and Memory Café as well as create custom kits for caregivers and patrons to borrow.

## **Digitizing Yuma's Collection of Materials**

**Library** Yuma County Library District  
**Grant Category** Information Access  
**Project Contact** Brenda Cervantes  
**Award** \$ 13,405

### **Project Summary**

This project will allow patrons and library staff to convert microfilm images of historical newspaper collections to a digital format so that community members will have user-friendly access to these images for research and learning. Funds will be used to purchase an ST ViewScan 4 Digital Microfilm Scanner System for microfilm and microfiche scanning services.