April 2013

Altrusa Club of Statesboro, GA  $1000
To fund books for their Back Pack Buddies Program which gives snacks and books to children who will be hungry over the weekend and who need literacy resources.

Dane County Library, Madison Wisconsin  $100
To fund audio books for the bookmobile which serves 71 senior housing complexes, nursing homes, senior centers as well as homebound seniors.

Elizabeth Seton High School, Bladensburg, MD  $500
To purchase new library and reference books for this all girls high school serving 70% minority students, many of which are the first college-bound in their families.

Ferndale Early Education Center, Anne Arundel Co. Public Schools, MD  $300
To fund books for the spring family reading night for Pre-K, kindergarten and early childhood intervention classes for special needs kids in this 65% free/reduced lunch Title I school.

Highlands Elementary School, Immokalee, FL  $895
To fund nonfiction reading books sets for grades 3 and 4 to establish classroom lending libraries in this Title I elementary school with more than 96% free/reduced lunch.

Lois Reece Memorial Lib., Seattle WA  $400
To fund adult beginning level reading materials for the lending library as well as curriculum materials for tutors working through the Seattle Literacy Council reaching ESOL adults.

Madison Elementary School Playgroup, Adrian MI  $500
To establish a lending library for ages 0-5th grade for this elementary school with 800 students at 300% of the poverty level where they host a play group as well as parental education.

New Beginnings, Naples FL  $500
Funding for high-interest reading materials for this alternative, Marine Corps based model school for grades 4-8 whose students are placed there to reduce daily disruptions in the county’s public schools. There is no school district budget for library books. The school has an 87% success rate.

Pershing School, Joliet IL  $500
To fund library books for the Accelerated Reader program and classroom projects in this school where 69.8% students are from low-income households.

Palmetto Ridge High School, Naples FL  $1000
To build and establish classroom libraries to support close reading to build vocabulary acquisition in this primarily ESOL high school population.

Friends of Questa Public Library  $1500
To fund book giveaways to elementary school kids and local homeschoolers in this highly successful literacy program where 90% of community residents are below poverty level.

Roscommon Area District Library, Roscommon MI  $1000
To expand this rural library’s large print collection for visually impaired patrons.

Wright to Read, Alexandria VA  $1000
To fund books in Alexandria, including home libraries, for this tutor/mentor program in elementary schools in need.
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**Byte Back, Washington DC**  
$1500

To provide text books and other books for students taking their computer classes to this award-winning, licensed post-secondary education provider serving in-need DC populations of all kinds with job skills and computer training for 16 years.

**DC SCORES, Washington DC**  
$3000

To fund Common-Core-aligned afterschool language arts enrichment program for low-income students in 47 DC public and public charter schools. EACH participant will receive 1-3 books for their home libraries at the citywide Poetry Slam hosted by this innovative after-school program.

**An Open Book, Washington DC**  
$5000

To provide hardback books to DC school children K-12 at 8 to 10 curriculum related author events for this three year old organization promoting literacy to low-income children and teens in the DC area.

**The Spoken Word for Richard Wright Public Charter School, Washington DC**  
$215

This grant provides books for a book giveaway at the Richard Wright Public Charter school which serves 100% students in need through the award winning literacy program The Spoken Word.

**Marley Elementary, Glen Burnie, MD**  
$750

To provide books for younger students for their book giveaway at this elementary school serving Title I kids. We have funded them each fall since 2008.

**Southwestern Community Action Council, 4-county area in West Virginia,**  
$1400

To fund books for Head Start classrooms for this nonprofit serving low-income families with integrated community services in Cabell, Lincoln, Mason and Wayne Counties, WV.

**Fayetteville Street Elementary School, Durham, NC**  
$1000

To build nonfiction text and classroom libraries with high-information books in science and social studies for this Title I school with 300 students where 95.5% of students are on free/reduced lunch and 50% of students are reading below grade level.

**Canton Public Library, Canton, Michigan**  
$500

To fund large print books for this busy library’s a book-by-mail program for seniors and others, named 1st place in the nation in 2013.

**Cen-Clear Child Services, Philipsburg, PA**  
$1000

Funding for a family focused literacy kit encouraging parent/child literacy participation for this Head Start and community services program serving 8 counties with their PLACE project (Promoting Literacy through Adult Child Education).

**New Era Community Development, Detroit, MI**  
$1500

Funding for books for a new GAP program year round afterschool and summer program for at-risk kids in this high-crime, impoverished area.

**Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Anchorage, AK**  
$1000

To fund 1 book a month for the PAT program (Parents As Teachers) in this high poverty, primarily native population program for pre-K kids that exists to improve the lives of low-income community members across the state where poverty levels per capital far exceed national averages.

**Uplift Summit International Prep School, Arlington TX**  
$1000

To fund books to improve the library collection which consists of mostly donated books used by two schools serving K-12 where 68% of students are in need.