

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.