



Oregon

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Ready to Read Grant Application 2006-2007

The purpose of the Ready to Read Grant program is to “establish, develop, or improve public library services for children” ages 0-14. Any legally established public library in Oregon is eligible to apply for the grant. Attached is the “Proposed Ready to Read Grants for 2006-2007” showing the grants that will be made in 2006-2007, assuming all eligible libraries apply for a grant. The Oregon Legislative Assembly, at the request of the Oregon Library Association, has repealed the maintenance of support requirement. As the table indicates, a total of \$598,022 is available for grants.

Guidelines

1. All projects must “establish, develop, or improve public library services for children” ages 0-14 (ORS 357.750), “with emphasis on preschool children” (ORS357.740)
2. Grant funds may not be used to replace funds already appropriated by local governments from local sources.
3. We encourage the use of grant funds in the following “best practices”:
 - Baby/toddler storytimes
 - Give away books
 - Parent training
 - Child care provider training/mentoring
 - Outreach to child care
 - Family programming
 - Community partnerships
 - School partnerships
 - Summer Reading
 - Materials collections in languages other than English
4. Applications must be postmarked by August 31, 2006. Late applications will not be accepted. Faxed applications will not be accepted.
5. A report on the grant project will be required and will be due at the Oregon State Library in 2007.

Proposal

Library Name:

Library Director:

Key Contact for Ready to Read Project:

Phone Number:

Project Time Period:

Describe the Ready to Read Grant project you are proposing:

How will your Ready to Read Grant project establish, develop, or improve public library service for children ages 0-14? List measurable activities that include numbers and/or dates against which the success of your Ready to Read Grant can be measured.

What is the benefit of your project to your community?

How does the project relate to other library activities?

Who do you expect to serve? (babies, toddlers, preschoolers, school age children, teenagers, families, care providers, others)

How many people do you expect to serve?

Babies_____Toddlers_____Preschool_____Elementary_____
Middle School_____Parents/Teachers/Caregivers_____

How will you know your project is effective?

Do you anticipate this will be an ongoing project? _____yes _____no

If yes, and the project is successful, what funding will you use to continue the project? Please mark all that apply:

Local funds Other grant funds Ready to Read funds

Criteria for approval (if you do not meet these criteria the Youth Services Consultant will work with you to do so)

1. Proposal demonstrates a need for the proposed project in the community.
2. If applicable, library cooperates and collaborates with other community agencies.
3. Proposal demonstrates how the project will establish, develop, or improve public library service to children.
4. Proposal demonstrates that the project is a real benefit to the community.
5. Plan includes measurable activities that includes numbers and/or dates.
6. Proposal includes plan for evaluating the effectiveness of the project.

Budget

	Ready to Read Grant	Funding from Library Budget	Other Sources (Friends, Foundation, grants, business)	TOTAL
Library Staff includes regular and substitute staff. It does not include performers, authors, or speakers.				
Library Materials includes those materials (books, subscriptions, software, AV, puppets) that will be added to your collection.				
Equipment includes computer hardware, furniture, other electronic equipment.				
Contracted Programs includes performers, storytellers, authors, and other programs not presented by library staff.				
Incentives include any give away items such as books, pencils, bags, toys, etc.				
Other (please describe):				
TOTAL				

Dates to Remember

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| August 31, 2006 | Date proposals must be postmarked and sent to the State Library. |
| October 2, 2006 | Revised Ready to Read Grants for 2006-2007 mailed to libraries. |
| October 16, 2006 | Deadline for libraries to appeal the proposed grant awards. |
| December 15, 2006 | Grant awards mailed to libraries. |
| December 1, 2007 | Date final report must be postmarked and sent to the State Library. |

Certification of Ready to Read Grant Application

To the best of our knowledge and belief, the information in this application is true and correct. We certify that, when the grant is awarded, the Ready to Read Grant will be used to supplement the library's budget from local sources and will be used to "establish, develop, or improve public library services for children" (ORS 357.750).

Name of Library Director

Signature

Date

Name of local government official authorized to apply for grants

Title

Signature

Date