

# Library Services and Technology Act FY 2010 Funded Projects Library Projects

**Organization:** Broward County Division of Libraries  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Literacy Help Center Expansion  
**Amount:** \$278,741  
**Population to Be Served:** 20,800  
**Area Served:** Broward County  
**Summary:** Broward County Library's Literacy Help Center provides an environment for underserved area youth and adults offering literacy improvement opportunities as well as use of and access to computer technology. The pilot Center was developed in early 2009 and expanded to four additional sites through a 2009-2010 LSTA grant. The Broward County Library will expand the project by implementing Literacy Help Centers at four more locations during the 2010 fiscal year, bringing the total number of Literacy Help Centers to nine. The Broward County Library provides literacy support in the form of part-time staff, laptop computers and software at Literacy Help Center sites.

**Organization:** Citrus County Library System  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Literacy Services  
**Amount:** \$9,600  
**Population to Be Served:** 32,625  
**Area Served:** Citrus County  
**Summary:** The Citrus County Library System provides one-on-one adult literacy tutoring classes to the illiterate, functionally illiterate, and persons from other cultures in Citrus County to assist them in their personal endeavors to learn to speak, read, and write the English language. To increase the number of available trained volunteer literacy tutors throughout Citrus County, the library system will share its Adult Literacy @ the Library educational program with local community church organizations to educate and equip them to provide trained literacy tutors within their own organizations.

**Organization:** Jacksonville Public Library  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Expanding Horizons Adult Literacy Project  
**Amount:** \$78,512  
**Population to Be Served:** 650  
**Area Served:** Duval County  
**Summary:** The Jacksonville Public Library Center for Adult Learning will extend the Expanding Horizons Project for a second year. Expanding Horizons will continue to serve increasing numbers of lower-level adult learners (those reading below the sixth grade level) by: 1) Connecting learners to web-based literacy instruction from any computer; 2) Training adult learners to perform basic computer functions to maximum exposure to employment and educational resources; 3) Supporting outreach services to high-risk/incarcerated adult learners and learners who have limited or no access to library resources; and 4) Serving greater numbers of adult learners through the recruitment, training and support of volunteer tutors and agencies willing to serve as provider sites.

**Organization:** Lee County Library System  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Community Conversations-for Residents Most Experienced in Life  
**Amount:** \$9,995  
**Population to Be Served:** 500  
**Area Served:** Lee County  
**Summary:** Community Conversations is developing a volunteer corps to provide intellectually stimulating programs with thoughtful discussion for elders who live in senior residential facilities, attend adult daycare programs, or participate in congregate meal programs. The library will expand its collection of programming materials and will host an invitational workshop on reminiscence-based programming for library staff and senior service providers.

**Organization:** Marion County Public Library System  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Ready to Read: Zero to Three  
**Amount:** \$70,773  
**Population to Be Served:** 20,786  
**Area Served:** Marion County  
**Summary:** The Marion County Public Library System's Ready to Read: Zero to Three project targets children zero to three years of age, their parents and caregivers. The program is designed to create relationships with parents and caregivers that support early literacy development and provide them with developmentally appropriate materials. Using the library's Baby TALK newsletters, Child Care story time, Library Early Literacy environment, parental programming and the Library Express van, the program helps parents develop necessary skills to be effective as their child's first teacher. Because the target population is typically not a traditional library user, outreach efforts will be an integral part of the Ready to Read: Zero to Three activities to inform and encourage library use.

**Organization:** Putnam County Library System  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** L to a Higher Power: Language, Literacy and Learning for Life  
**Amount:** \$54,802  
**Population to Be Served:** 2,500  
**Area Served:** Putnam County  
**Summary:** Putnam County Library System's project provides age and developmentally appropriate programs and collections to infants, young children, school age children, tweens, and teens and their families. Programs range from 1) early literacy programs that include parent education components and training of child care providers; 2) PRIME TIME Family Reading Time humanities based book discussion programs for families with school age children; 3) to Internet safety classes for tweens and teens and their parents and caregivers. These programs target unserved and underserved audiences that use the branch libraries. Library collections in all libraries in the system will be enhanced to entice these underserved audiences to the library.

**Organization:** Saint Johns County Public Library  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Library Express Outreach (LEO) Project  
**Amount:** \$54,000  
**Population to Be Served:** 181,540  
**Area Served:** Saint Johns County  
**Summary:** The Saint Johns County project “Library Express Outreach Project”, also known as the “LEO Express” is starting the third year of outreach activities by developing a new customer services survey as well as new promotional materials, establishing 8 additional deposit collections for licensed daycare centers, training 15 volunteers and adding to the bookmobile collections. The project targets Saint Johns County residents of all ages who have difficulty using the library due to distance from the closest branch; age or physical challenges, and youth in “at risk” after-school centers and other youth-serving centers located in predominately low-income, undereducated inner-city and rural communities. Utilizing a bookmobile, books-by-mail, a core group of trained volunteers and the establishment of several deposit collections serving 7 afterschool centers, 3 licensed day care centers, 5 recreation and parks centers, 2 year round community centers, 1 high school serving new and expecting teen moms, 1 Adult and Family Literacy Center and 27 senior serving facilities, the library makes a difference in the lives of people of all ages.

**Organization:** Sarasota County Library System  
**Category:** Access for Persons Having Difficulty Using Libraries  
**Project Name:** Strategically Strengthening the System  
**Amount:** \$76,271  
**Population to Be Served:** 62,291  
**Area Served:** Sarasota County  
**Summary:** This project is a continuation of funding for a Youth Services Coordinator and specific activities from the Sarasota County Library System strategic plan that will increase access to libraries for children, teens and their families for a second year. As Sarasota County moves towards a system approach to service delivery, this position is key in guiding the planning, implementation and evaluation of library services to children and families.

**Organization:** New River Public Library Cooperative  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** Training, Part Three  
**Amount:** \$12,309  
**Population to Be Served:** 63,285  
**Area Served:** Baker, Bradford and Union Counties  
**Summary:** Training, Part Three, continues the New River Public Library Cooperative's hands on computer use training and in-depth one-on-one assistance. The program has four components. Component one includes computer instruction for adults that includes introductory or basic computer classes, and general training in e-government training and job skills. Component two includes one-on-one e-government assistance and more job skills training, including help with resume writing, GED practice and career test preparation. Component three is Internet Safety training for school age students during summer months while school is not in session. Component four involves keeping the local e-government web links up to date on the Cooperative's website. The first three components are provided to all three of the member library's locations through the Mobile Computer Training Lab.

**Organization:** Pasco County Public Library Cooperative  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** Pasco County E-Government Initiative Year 4  
**Amount:** \$140,574  
**Population to Be Served:** 471,028  
**Area Served:** Pasco County  
**Summary:** The Pasco County Public Library System's E-Government Initiative, in its fourth year, is expanding E-Government services to Pasco County residents. It is through outreach to residents who live in areas where library services and/or Internet services are limited or not available and where English may not be the primary language spoken in some households. Library staff will provide technology training to residents and project partners will offer E-Government/social service related programs at outreach locations. E-Government programs will also be offered within the libraries and at outreach locations for job seekers and for local small businesses to encourage job creation.

**Organization:** West Palm Beach Public Library  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** Career Catalyst  
**Amount:** \$9,999  
**Population to Be Served:** 11,360  
**Area Served:** City of West Palm Beach  
**Summary:** The West Palm Beach Public Library Career Catalyst project will create a partnership between the Library and Workforce Alliance. The Library will offer unemployed citizens a variety of workshops to bolster their job-seeking, employability, and computer skills. Workforce Alliance will train library staff to use Workforce Alliance' and Employ Florida websites to enable them to assist patrons searching for jobs. Workforce Alliance and the Library will present a series of six seminars on Employable Skills. The library staff will develop and teach a series of classes for patrons on job search skills and the Employ Florida website. These introductory classes will be followed by weekly "Life Support Labs" for job seekers to do their searches with individualized help from library staff. The library will also offer a four part series of in-depth seminars on finding the right job, computer skills assessment, resume writing and interview skills. The Library will acquire the "Learning Express Library" database which provides test preparation and tools for the GED, SAT and SAT, as well as individual career exams.

# Multitype Library Cooperative Projects

<b>Organization:</b>	Northeast Florida Library Information Network
<b>Category:</b>	Library Technology Connectivity and Services
<b>Project Name:</b>	Training Library Staff to Better Serve Their Community
<b>Amount:</b>	\$209,500
<b>Population to Be Served:</b>	2,319
<b>Area Served:</b>	Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, Saint Johns, Sumter, Suwannee, and Union counties
<b>Summary:</b>	This project provides services that promote excellence in the Northeast Florida Library Information Network (NEFLIN) member libraries and the communities they serve. NEFLIN provides training for member library staff through both face-to-face workshops and on-line Webinars. These workshops cover a wide variety of topics that assist staff with incorporating Web 2.0 technology into their services, understanding how to use social networking tools and assisting patrons with using public access computers. Other courses are designed for paraprofessionals who directly provide service to library users, and for managers, supervisors and administrators who may be new in their positions or would like tips on more effective library service.

**Organization:** Panhandle Library Access Network  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** PLAN - Connecting People and Information Through Cooperation  
**Amount:** \$193,710  
**Population to Be Served:** 838,011  
**Area Served:** Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington counties  
**Summary:** Library users throughout the Panhandle, and the whole of Florida, will have timely access to the technology and information to meet their information needs. The public can only learn to use technology, and consequently use technology to gain information, if certain necessary conditions and prerequisites are in place, i.e. the hardware, the network, the connectivity, the software, the content, and the trained staff. This project, through the training and consultation with library staff, will allow the staff to facilitate, support and assist their library's patrons in meeting the patrons' information needs via technology.

**Organization:** Southeast Florida Library Information Network  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** Training and Technology for Better Service  
**Amount:** \$129,300  
**Population to Be Served:** 3,248,294  
**Area Served:** Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach counties  
**Summary:** SEFLIN will improve the quality of services for library users in Southwest Florida by increasing the knowledge and skills of the library staffs who serve them through delivery of training in a variety of formats. The project libraries and their staffs depend on SEFLIN to provide training focused on topics to assist them in offering improved services for their users. The project will include: offering face-to-face full-day and half-day training for library staff, offering online training (live online/synchronous and on demand), replacement of SEFLIN's online event management and registration system.

**Organization:** Southwest Florida Library Network  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** Outstanding Library Service for Southwest Florida Patrons  
**Amount:** \$111,250  
**Population to Be Served:** 1,204,141  
**Area Served:** Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Lee and Monroe counties  
**Summary:** Southwest Florida Library Network will provide training to library staff so that they can better help the public use technology to access information. This project will provide variety of face-to-face and online training opportunities to help library employees to effectively serve and train the public in how to access and use electronic information resources. Training topics include learning and updating software and web authoring skills; federated search technology; learning new hardware devices (such as MP3 players and iPads); customer service training and leaderships skills; and cataloging.

**Organization:** Tampa Bay Library Consortium  
**Category:** Library Technology Connectivity and Services  
**Project Name:** Training Libraries to Serve the Public  
**Amount:** \$157,336  
**Population to Be Served:** 4,315,439  
**Area Served:** Citrus, DeSoto, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Okeechobee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota counties  
**Summary:** Training Libraries to Serve the Public is a comprehensive program of continuing education that provides library staff members in the west central Florida area with training in many subjects. The purpose of the continuing education program is to enable librarians to better serve the public and meet their information needs. The Tampa Bay Library Consortium will offer face to face training and online, instructor led webinars and self-paced on-line training and tutorials. Topics will include cataloging, web authoring, reference skills, new technologies, leadership and management skills. The project also includes a paraprofessional's day long series workshops that will be also available on-line.

# Statewide Projects

<b>Organization:</b>	Division of Library and Information Services
<b>Category:</b>	Statewide Programs
<b>Project Name:</b>	Expanding Library Services for Access to Information
<b>Amount:</b>	\$626,014
<b>Population to Be Served:</b>	450,000
<b>Area Served:</b>	Statewide
<b>Summary:</b>	<p>The Expanding Library Services for Access to Information project empowers local libraries to solve their own problems and improve their own services to the public; provides knowledge and expertise that is not available locally; supports interlibrary cooperation and resource sharing among all types of local libraries; and builds trusting relationships and strong lines of communication between local libraries and the Division. The project provides technical assistance to libraries in a variety of ways including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Helping libraries to determine their eligibility for E-Rate, approving libraries' technical plans and assisting libraries with their calculations and discounts for E-Rate.</li><li>• Continuing to provide information activities and materials related to the Return On Investment study such as brochures, templates, and bookmarks; website updates; and presenting a webinar.</li><li>• Broadening the E-Government services for libraries throughout Florida by coordinating individual libraries' E-government projects in accordance with at statewide vision; coordinating the creation of a state-wide E-government web portal; promoting libraries' development of partnerships with governmental, non-profit and community agencies; and providing webinars for training library staff regarding provision of E-Government Services.</li><li>• Continuing support for new library directors through webinars, site visits, courses, orientation sessions and an advisor program.</li></ul>

<b>Organization:</b>	Division of Library and Information Services
<b>Category:</b>	Statewide Programs
<b>Project Name:</b>	Florida Electronic Library
<b>Amount:</b>	\$4,398,751
<b>Population to Be Served:</b>	18,089,899
<b>Area Served:</b>	Statewide
<b>Summary:</b>	<p>The Florida Electronic Library (FEL) is a unifying point of access for direct Web based library services for all Floridians, . It complements the print resources in Florida library collections and serves as a gateway to all of Florida’s print resources and archival materials. The service components include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to licensed commercial content. OCLC First Search and Gale make up the majority of the FEL databases, and include the full text of magazines and journals for both general and professional reference, including those that are targeted towards K-12; high image quality art images from museums around the world.</li> <li>• Provision of FloridaCat, a union catalog of Florida library holdings.</li> <li>• Statewide support for online resource sharing. The FEL will partner with OCLC and TBLC to test the new OCLC hosted ILL service called “Navigator Lite”. Navigator Lite will allow Florida residents to search within WorldCat or FloridaCat for items not held by their local library and to request them online.</li> <li>• The “Ask a Librarian” program which is a virtual collaborative reference service for Florida that complements the online database content.</li> <li>• A digitization program that provides support for creation of digital content about Florida history and culture and aggregates the accompanying metadata into a union catalog. Called “Florida on Florida”, it is a catalog of digital materials related to Florida, including: maps, photographs, postcards, books and manuscripts from digital collections held by libraries, archives, museums and historical societies throughout Florida.</li> <li>• Provision of in-depth training in using the FEL and its resources. Topics include Homework Help, Health Resources, Academic Resources, and how to get the most out of the FEL through use of Web 2.0.</li> </ul>

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services  
**Category:** Statewide Programs  
**Project Name:** Florida Library Youth Program  
**Amount:** \$241,369  
**Population to Be Served:** 800,000  
**Area Served:** Statewide  
**Summary:** The statewide Florida Library Youth Program encourages children, tweens, teens and their families to use their local public library for both educational and recreational purposes. The goal is to encourage all children, especially those who are economically deprived, to become lifelong readers and library users. The Florida Library Youth Program provides to youth services staff a program manual and supporting materials for the summer reading program; regional staff development and training workshops for youth services staff; a monthly FLYP Forward e-magazine; a bulletin board blog; and, a content management web site for youth services staff's program ideas for children, families, tweens and teens. In addition, there is a new year-round programming initiative with a direct focus on teens and tweens. This continuing education and training initiative is comprised of train the trainer training for youth services staff; webinars on best practices for tweens use of technology; development of informational and instructional videos; and onsite teen and tween activity training to small and rural libraries.

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services

**Category:** Statewide Programs

**Project Name:** Florida Memory Program

**Amount:** \$339,448

**Population to Be Served:** 18,089,899

**Area Served:** Statewide

**Summary:** Florida Memory presents a selection of historical records that illustrate significant moments in Florida history, educational resources for students of all ages and archival collections for historical research. The Memory Program utilizes selected original records, photographs and other materials from the collections of the State Library and Archives of Florida. The Photo Collection features over 163,000 digitized photographs from the State Library and Archives of Florida. It is the most complete online portrait of Florida available--one that draws its strength from family pictures, the homes of Floridians, their work, and their pastimes. The Online Classroom is designed to help educators use photographs, documents, sound recordings and film footage from the State Library and Archives of Florida. Highlights of Florida History provides images of historically significant documents from the State Library and Archives of Florida's collections. The Memory Program also provides access to complete Archival Collections which are too fragile for handling. The Memory Program has grown beyond the virtual walls of the Memory Program's website: YouTube features over fifty film clips from the Florida Archives via the Florida Memory Program; Flickr Commons has a large selection of both photographs and film clips from the Program; and the World Digital Library will be posting a number of digital selections from the State Library and Archives of Florida. The 2010-2011 Memory Program will select, digitize and add another 10,000 images to the digital collections which are available on the website; select, digitize and add an additional 50 video clips to the website; select and digitize an additional 1,000 Folk-life sound recordings and add 100 of those to the website. The Program will also work with State Library staff to digitize, catalog and make available online 4,000 church inventories completed by the Works Project Administration Historical Records Survey. The Memory Program is also developing a new and more robust platform for Florida Memory, consolidating existing data collections into a single system using the same metadata standards and vocabularies.

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services  
**Category:** Statewide Programs  
**Project Name:** LSTA Administration  
**Amount:** \$341,743  
**Population to Be Served:** 2,000  
**Area Served:** Statewide  
**Summary:** This project provides for the administration of the LSTA grant program. Components include activities associated with application submission and review, maintenance of official program files, coordination of contracts and grant payments, monitoring and evaluation, compilation and submission of reports and programs to the institute of Museum and Library Services, and technical assistance to potential applicants and grant recipients. The project will continue implementation of the Florida Library and Grants System's grants management component along with continued development of the online LSTA grant application component.

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services  
**Category:** Statewide Programs  
**Project Name:** Planning, Evaluation, and Statistics  
**Amount:** \$328,112  
**Population to Be Served:** 1,835  
**Area Served:** Statewide  
**Summary:** The Planning, Evaluation, and Statistics program provides assistance primarily to public libraries, which enables these libraries to provide improved services to their patrons. Staff works with libraries to demonstrate the value, effectiveness, and efficiency of libraries in Florida. In 2010-2011, activities will continue to involve collecting, publishing, and analyzing public library data; conducting evaluation activities that will enable grant recipients to evaluate their projects; and maintain and expand the Florida Library and Grants system. Additionally, the Planning, Evaluation, and Statistics program will coordinate and facilitate a statewide long-range planning process.

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services  
**Category:** Statewide Programs  
**Project Name:** Recruitment and Leadership Development  
**Amount:** \$186,616  
**Population to Be Served:** 20,000  
**Area Served:** Statewide  
**Summary:** Recruitment and leadership development is an essential ongoing goal for the future of library services in Florida. This program has five components: Florida Library Jobs website, Sunshine State Library Leadership Institute, Annual Public Library Directors' Meeting, New Public Library Directors Orientation, and the Leadership Laboratory. The Florida Library Jobs website, is a cost-effective recruitment tool that is used to assist library organizations to fill their vacancies from a pool of qualified candidates. The Institute, Annual Meeting, Orientation and Laboratory are designed to 1) share information and resources, 2) identify trends and strategies and 3) improve the skill sets of librarians across the state to best meet the needs of their communities based on LSTA priorities. The outcomes of these components are focused on: expanding access and educational resources; developing public and private partnerships; improving services to diverse populations; and targeting services to the underserved. For example, in past years, these resources have assisted libraries to institutionalize local comprehensive e-government programs; implement bilingual library usage orientations and computer classes; deliver computer search classes to increase access to data bases; increase teen usage of rural libraries; improve strategic alliances and leverage local resources; and expand collaborations between public and elementary school libraries.

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services

**Category:** Statewide Programs

**Project Name:** State Library and Archives of Florida Statewide Resource Sharing and Collection Development

**Amount:** \$825,171

**Population to Be Served:** 18,537,969

**Area Served:** Statewide

**Summary:** The State Library and Archives of Florida provides information services for State of Florida officials and agency employees; supplements the services and collections of libraries throughout Florida through interlibrary loan, resource sharing reference services, and cataloging of State of Florida documents; and develops its collections to ensure that Floridians have access to information about Florida's past, present and future. Resource sharing allows libraries statewide to have timely access to accurate and relevant information. Approximately 75% of interlibrary loan requests originating in Florida are filed by other Florida libraries. The State Library of Florida is the library of first resort for interlibrary loan requests from Florida libraries that do not use OCLC, and the library of last resort for interlibrary loan requests from Florida libraries that use OCLC for interlibrary loan. The State of Florida administers and coordinates FLIN, the Florida Library Information Network. The State Library receives interlibrary loan requests electronically through OCLC, by fax, e-mail, phone and mail. The State Library contracts with OCLC, Sirs/Dynix and Re:Discovery for systems support needed for interlibrary loan and resource sharing activities. Activities performed by State Library staff for interlibrary loan and resource sharing include collecting appropriate materials for its special and circulating collections, processing interlibrary loan requests, adding material to the State Library online catalog, verifying correct State Library holding information is listed in statewide databases, and ensuring that online services are available to on-site and remote users at all times.

**Organization:** Division of Library and Information Services  
**Category:** Statewide Programs  
**Project Name:** Statewide Continuing Education and Training  
**Amount:** \$92,773  
**Population to Be Served:** 13,000  
**Area Served:** Statewide  
**Summary:** The Statewide Continuing Education & Training Program provides Florida library staff increased access to online training activities. The current economic climate has encouraged the use of electronic communications for proposed activities and the Division continues to develop a robust continuing education program that puts training into the library and eliminates the need for travel by both Division staff and library staff. Feedback from around the state shows an interest on a variety of topics, including management, reference, cataloging and technology. During the 2010-2011 grant cycle, 35 online training sessions will be developed and presented. Topics include the LSTA Grant Writing series and other grant related topics; Florida Library Youth Program planning; E-Government information; Return on Investment information; quarterly State Library updates with the State Librarian; new library directors orientations and training, and other topics as requested from the State Library, Archives and the Florida Electronic Library. In addition to the live webinars created and presented by the Division, this project will also provide statewide access to online self-paced training courses through the WebJunction course catalog. WebJunction provides 700 high quality, nationally produced online library skill courses. Topics include web-based reference, marketing, management, cataloging, technology, children's services, grant writing and many more. Library staff throughout the state will also continue to have the opportunity to remain current on library issues and technologies through the continued contract with the College of DuPage Library Learning Network.