

**NEVADA STATE  
PUBLIC LIBRARIES  
COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT  
GRANT PROGRAM  
Fiscal Years 2006 & 2007**



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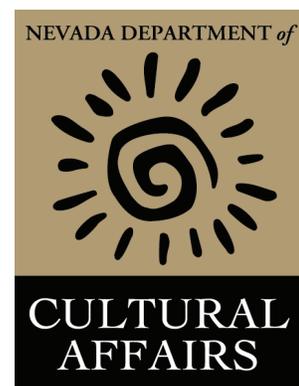
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Easton Alexander, son of Aliante Branch Library, North Las Vegas Library District, staff member Shelly Alexander, explores the *Baby Einstein Birds* book.

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# NEVADA PUBLIC LIBRARIES

## FY 2006-2007 COLLECTION DEVELOPEMENT FUNDING



## NEVADA PUBLIC LIBRARIES and Branches

### **Amargosa Valley Library District**

### **Beatty Library District**

### **Boulder City Library District**

### **Carson City Library**

### **Churchill County Library**

### **Douglas County Library**

Douglas County Library

Lake Tahoe Branch Library

### **Elko-Lander-Eureka Counties Library System**

Elko County Library

Austin Branch Library

Battle Mountain Branch Library

Beowawe Branch Library

Carlin Branch Library

Crescent Valley Branch Library

Eureka Branch Library

Jackpot Branch Library

Tuscarora Branch Library

Wells Branch Library

West Wendover Branch Library

### **Esmeralda County Libraries**

Fish Lake Library

Goldfield Public Library

Silver Peak Library

### **Henderson District Public Libraries**

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Malcolm Library

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Pittman Library

### **Humboldt County Library**

Humboldt County Library

Denio Branch Library

McDermitt Branch Library

### **Las Vegas-Clark County Library District**

Blue Diamond Library

Bunkerville Library

Clark County Library

Enterprise Library

Goodsprings Library

Green Valley Library

Indian Springs Library

Las Vegas Library

Laughlin Library

Meadows Village Library & Homework Center

Mesquite Library

Metro Jail Library

Misdemeanant Jail Library

Moapa Town Library

Moapa Valley Library

Mount Charleston Library

Rainbow Library

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Sahara West Library

Sandy Valley Library

Searchlight Library

Spring Valley Library

Summerlin Library

Sunrise Library

West Charleston Library

West Las Vegas Branch Library

Whitney Library

### **Lincoln County Library**

Lincoln County Library

Alamo Branch Library

Caliente Branch Library

### **Lyon County Library**

Central Branch Library

Dayton Valley Branch Library

Fernley Branch Library

Silver-Stage Branch Library

Smith Valley Library

### **Mineral County Library**

Mineral County Library

Mina-Luning Community Library

### **North Las Vegas Library District**

Aliante Branch Library

North Las Vegas Library

### **Pahrump Community Library District**

### **Pershing County Library**

### **Smoky Valley Library District**

Manhattan Library

Round Mountain Public Library

### **Storey County Library**

### **Tonopah Library District**

### **Washoe County Library**

Community Resource Center

Downtown Reno Library

Duncan/Traner Community Library

Gerlach Community Library

Incline Village Library

Internet Library

Mendive Community Library

Mobile Library I

North Valleys Library

Northwest Reno Library

Senior Center

Sierra View Library

South Valleys Library

Spanish Springs Library

Sparks Library

Verdi Community Library

### **White Pine County Library**

## STATE COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

**Nevada libraries are the heart of our state's information infrastructure. In almost 700 public, school, academic and special libraries, librarians make books and other information resources affordable, available, and accessible to people of all ages and walks of life.**

Public libraries are among the most efficient of tax-supported services, serving more than half the adult population and spending less than one percent of all tax dollars – federal, state and local.

The Nevada State Legislature has in five sessions allocated funds for the Public Libraries in the State Collection Development Grant Program. The first allocation, \$250,000 in the 1995 session, was intended for the rural areas only.

- 1997 session allocated \$2,000,000
- 1999 session allocated \$1,000,000
- 2001 session allocated \$1,200,000
- 2005 session allocated \$1,200,000.

These funds are distributed to public libraries in Nevada, based on their own local spending for collection development. Utilizing the formula based on these expenditures (see Appendix A: NRS 378.087), the smaller libraries receive a greater proportionate amount than the libraries with the larger budgets. The philosophy is that all libraries have a need for the basics of library service, and if the local funding is limited for even these, then it is the responsibility of the State to assist these communities. However, a library cannot reduce its local expenditures because of the State assistance; they must maintain at least the level of their prior year, unless they can offer a compelling explanation. (See Appendix B: Minimum Standards for Nevada Public Libraries).

Many of the smaller libraries use these funds to enrich their basic collections, such

as Nevada and Reference. Other libraries are able to utilize these funds for special areas of development, which would be impossible using only their local funding. These specialty areas can be driven by the desire to meet the needs of a special population, or particular geographic needs of the customer base. The materials are also available to other libraries via Interlibrary Loan.

Libraries and the services they offer are a basic need in life. In the rural areas, especially, they often serve as the only means of obtaining educational and recreational materials, and in a variety of formats. With public Internet access in these libraries, they also serve as a link between their communities and the wealth of information available around the world.

The 22 Public Libraries in Nevada were allotted \$1,200,000 for the 2006-2007 biennium. These funds, known as the State Collection Development Grant, were to be used for the purchase of library materials. Library materials may be books, videos, cassettes, CDs, computer databases, or any other format utilized by the customers of a library. The libraries expended a total of \$1,197,990. The remaining \$2,010 was reverted to the general fund.

Each of the libraries was awarded funding and furnished a report of expenditures and an Evaluation for the first fiscal year, 2006. Plans for 2007 expenditures were provided for this report. The complete reports are available at the Nevada State Library and Archives, Library and Archives Planning and Development.

The following pages are the reports submitted by the participating libraries themselves. Whatever the purpose or use of the funds, they have made a difference in these libraries and the Nevadans they serve.

**AMARGOSA VALLEY LIBRARY DISTRICT**  
Library Director and Project Director: Jean Adams  
**\$8,516**

**FY 2006 Evaluation:  
“Research and Discover”**

**Need for Project:**

Our community is growing in population and is very multicultural. We continually need to expand our collection to serve a diverse

population and provide materials for students as well. As a small community, we are always in the need of additional funding so we can meet the demand for the resources required.

**How the need was determined:**

We have a contract with the Nye County School District so we must provide materials for research and special projects as well as a good variety of literature for the students. We ask the teachers to let us know what upcoming subjects will be needed for reports. Due to the small size of our library we are continually weeding our collection to add updated materials. We still have a number of out-dated books in the adult non-fiction section that need to be replaced and it is essential we continue to keep an adequate reference section and provide resources for modern technology. There is also a high interest in our Nevada section so it is necessary to keep acquiring as much additional information on Nevada as possible. Since our community is small it allows us to enhance our adult fiction section based on authors and subjects requested by our patrons.

**Types of materials purchased:**

We are continuously expanding our Spanish section with a variety of materials and purchase Bi-lingual books for the adult as well as the Juvenile Spanish sections whenever possible. We have also purchased several different media to assist in learning to speak English.

We have replaced out-dated materials in the Juvenile and Adult Reference sections, including the Nevada Revised Statutes, encyclopedias, science reference materials, automotive repair manuals and legal resources. CD ROMs and books were also added so our patrons can learn how to use updated computer technology.



Amargosa Valley Library

Several titles were purchased for our Nevada section, and we continue to purchase the Nevada Young Readers titles as well as award winning titles for the Juvenile collection.

**Difference it made in Library services:**

The Collection Development funds enabled us to purchase

many additional materials we would not have been able to afford with our local budget. It has helped our library to increase as well as update our collection and has helped us to better serve our community with such a diverse population. It has also afforded us to spend more of our local funds on popular materials to attract more people to come to the library and get acquainted with all we have to offer.

**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

Living in rural Nevada has its challenges, especially when the nearest shopping is over 50 miles away. Our community and school show much gratitude for having the use of all the materials we provide locally. Our patrons and students would have to wait for Interlibrary Loans or travel a long distance to obtain the materials we provide. I feel that the importance of our library is revealed through the increased usage of our services.

**FY 2007 Plan: “Research and Discover”**

A total of approximately \$1500 (half each year) will be used to update our reference section, including a new set of encyclopedias, the Nevada Revised Statutes, a Science Encyclopedia and additional reference materials.

A total of approximately \$1700 (half each year) will be used for adult non-fiction.

A total of approximately \$4,000 (half each year) will be used to purchase additional materials in Spanish, including books, audios and periodicals.

The remainder of approximately \$1300 (half each year) will be used to purchase audio books on CD format.

**Beatty Library District**  
Library Director and Project Director: Sharon Jennings  
**\$3,706**

**FY 2006 Evaluation:**

**Need for Project:**

There was a need to update our reference collection as many of the reference books were very out-dated.

**How the need was determined:**

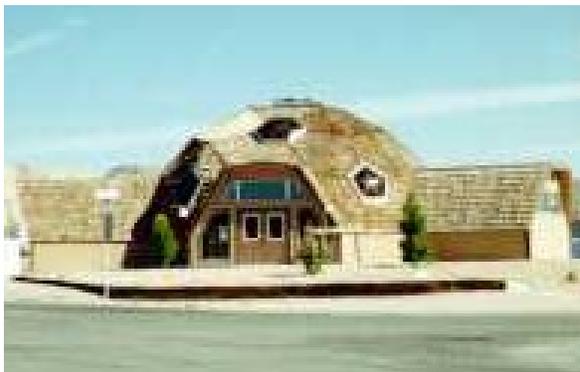
We targeted law, consumer health, education and science as areas that especially needed updating. We were unable to purchase a set of encyclopedias because they are so expensive and decided that the up-to-date encyclopedias available to us online through InfoNevada are sufficient at this time.

**Types of materials purchased:**

Expanding our DVD collection was well received especially by the senior citizens who are living on fixed incomes and can't always afford to rent one. The demand for these is still high and that's how we determined this need. There was also a demand for audio books as many people drive long distances and like to listen to them as they drive. We already have many books on cassette tape in the collection but the newer vehicles often have only CD players them. We were able to expand our collection of audio books on CD using these funds to meet this need.

**Difference it made in library services:**

Providing up-to-date ready reference materials has made our service to our customers better and the feedback we receive from them is very positive when they see that we're providing them with current information. Providing our customers with DVDs and audio CDs is well received and some customers come into the library just to see what new ones we have available to check out.



Beatty Library

**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

Our library attendance has increased by about 400 customers from 2004 to 2005. These materials purchased through the State Development Collection Funds have played a part in this increase.

**FY 2007 Plan:**

Our current materials budget is focused on keeping up with current best sellers, Junior Literary Guild children's books, Nevada Young Readers Award winning books, magazines and newspapers. there are many areas then in the circulating non-fiction collection both for adults and children that need to be updated and expanded. Special areas of interest for adults are computers, handicrafts, home repair, gardening, legal, test (e.g. ASVAB, GED, SAT), medical, antiques and collectible, and travel books to name a few. Special areas of interest for children are math, sciences, crafts, sports, biography, explorers and dinosaurs to name a few.

Another area in children's literature is the Newberry, Caldecott and Honor books. We don't own many of these award winning books and we'd like to purchase those we don't own from 1990 onwards. Also, we'd like to purchase additional titles in popular children's book series such as the Magic Tree House and Princess Diaries.

Different genres in the young adult and adult fiction collection such as science fiction, mystery and westerns will be expanded as well.

Other areas that we will continue to develop are reference, audio books on CDs and cassettes, and DVDs that we updated and expanded the previous year.

## Boulder City Library District

Library Director and Project Director: Duncan McCoy

[www.bclibrary.org](http://www.bclibrary.org)

**\$37,482**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for Project:

#### How the need was determined:

The need for the types of items purchased was determined by library professional staff with selection responsibilities to augment areas of materials purchasing with greatest pressure of interest from the public. Areas with known recent growth in usage were particularly targeted for purchase with grant monies.

#### Types of materials purchased

In the area of Children's and Young Adult Services, 17 CD and cassette audiobooks were purchased, 129 Leap-Pad multimedia titles were purchased and 61 Children's and YA reference volumes were acquired. Emphasis was placed on Leap-Pad materials as a result of parent's requests for more Leap-Pad materials. Additionally, the library purchased two new Leap-Pad playback kits to check out to parents. Overall, 584 items were purchased with State Collection Development Grant money.

In recent years, much growth has occurred in use of audiobook items and large-print books. This increasing demand was addressed in this year's grant purchasing with 91 CD audiobook titles and 78 large-print titles purchased with grant money. Adult nonfiction purchasing with grant funds focused on travel, self-help books for senior citizens, and current events. 125 adult nonfiction titles were purchased with this year's grant funds. Adult reference books were selected to fill existing gaps in the library's reference collection. Selection focused on minority and diversity issues, literary arts and medical information. 42 reference titles were purchased with state grant money.

#### Difference it made in Library services:

Use of children's audiovisual materials was up 12.59% for the year, use of large-print books were up 1.89% for the year, use of adult nonfiction books was up 2.35% for the year, and use of CD audiobooks was up 46.5%.

Boulder City Library District added 4,660 items to its collection during the fiscal year, so the 584



items purchased with State Collection Development Grant money represents 12.5% of the items added to the library's collection. As selection focused on high-demand areas, I can definitely say that the grant has produced beneficial effects for library users during the year.

#### Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:

Measured use of the kinds of items we purchased with grant money has increased, in some cases significantly. I can not say that staying home reading a book one day prevented a nine-year-old from burning down his neighbor's garage or that reading this or that book produced an epiphany for anyone, though. I know that a goodly number of Boulder City mothers are finding that the Leap-Pad products are proving extremely helpful in developing reading readiness with their pre-schoolers. Our library has a relatively large proportion of senior citizen users, many of whom prefer large-print books and some of whom lack the visual acuity to read normal print at all. For these folks, the availability of large print and audiobooks at the library means they can still use the library, as they always have, and continue to enjoy reading.

#### FY 2007 Plan:

Reference and Adult Print Materials will focus on update of auto repair and motor manuals for use within the library by the general public.

Large Print Books and Adult CD audiobook purchasing is intended to enhance the variety of recreational reading materials at the library for senior citizens to enhance continued reading enjoyment and use of the library, particularly for those seniors afflicted with visual difficulties.

Juvenile Fiction, Juvenile Nonfiction and Juvenile Audiovisual purchasing will be targeted at new library materials to encourage preschool-age pre-reading readiness.

Young Adult materials purchasing from grant funds will focus on popular YA fiction and nonfiction to maintain the young folks' excitement in use of the library.

## Carson City Library

Library Director: Sally Edwards

Project Director: Katie Johnson

[www.carson-city.nv.us/library](http://www.carson-city.nv.us/library)

\$41,424

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for the project:

For several years the Carson City Library books and materials budget has not kept pace with steadily rising materials costs. The collection development funds have given us the opportunity to enhance our collection on many levels. The Adult, Youth, Audio/Visual and Reference Collections each received a percentage of the funds based on the same percentage used to divide the Library's books and materials budget. An area we wished to update was our nonfiction area, particularly our books on health-related topics. As our Spanish-speaking population continues to grow, we felt it important to also offer newer health books in Spanish as well. In our Youth Department, there was a need for materials to encourage our more reluctant readers. Enhancing our increasingly popular Audio/Visual Collection was important; circulation of A/V items has increased 35% from FY 2004 to FY 2006. In order to provide the public with accurate information there were several subject areas of the Library's Reference Collection that needed to be updated, particularly the time-sensitive information in medicine and law.



CHAD LUNDQUIST/NEVADA APPEAL

State Sen. Mark Amodei, R-Carson City, and Assemblywoman Bonnie Parnell, D-Carson City, sit amongst some of the 900 new books, videos and audio recordings bought with a \$20,591 grant from the State Collection Development Project. Amodei and Parnell visited the library on Wednesday to see the items purchased with the grant funded by the 2005 Legislature.

#### How need was determined:

In the adult area, an evaluation was done of one of our most frequently-used collections, the medical and nutrition books. Many of the titles were published in the late 1990's and did not reflect current health research. The importance of adding youth nonfiction titles at lower reading levels was determined largely by demand from beginning readers as well as parents. Several teachers also confirmed this need. In the A/V Department, many of the audios were wearing out too quickly due to poor quality, and the loss of one tape or CD often meant the loss of the whole set. Routine weeding of the Reference Collection identified specific titles for which new editions were available. In subject areas containing exceptionally old material, a literature search determined more recent publications.

#### Types of materials purchased:

Funds were used to purchase a wide range of materials to enrich many areas of the library. Non-fiction books acquired, in both English and Spanish, especially focused on medical and nutrition subjects published within the past five years. Books ranged from guides for weight management to guides for disease prevention. The high-quality, unabridged audio books obtained had an added benefit: when a single cassette or CD is lost or damaged, it can be replaced without buying the entire set. Many new travel DVD and VHS were also purchased, to replace older, out-of-date versions. Audio books and nonfiction beginning reader books, which feature simple sentences and controlled language, were added to the Youth Collection. Subjects included science, sports and social studies. Several books about foreign countries and a set covering the states, also featuring simple text, were added to the youth nonfiction section. Twenty-one reference books were purchased. Many, like *The Gale Encyclopedia of Children's Health*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed, were used to update medical information. Several were purchased for the legal section, like *Every Tenant's Legal Guide*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed and *How to Get a Green Card*, 6<sup>th</sup> ed. Other areas updated include African-American and Hispanic history and culture, collectible price guides, and vocational guidance.

### **Difference they made in library services:**

Many of the library's non-fiction books were out-of-date; the funds allowed us to deselect many obsolete materials and replace them with updated materials. This allowed us to provide our patrons with current health information on a variety of subjects.

In the Youth Department, library staff can now recommend a varied list of books for beginning and struggling readers. Audio books continue to rise in popularity for all ages and are frequently requested, as are our VHS and DVD. People who come to the library with their questions trust that the information they find will be accurate. Updating critical reference information assures that the Library retains that trust and provides excellent service.

### **Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials:**

The information found in a library has the potential to change people's lives. By updating our nonfiction, in particular our collection of medical and nutrition books, we are able to provide patrons with current information that can drastically affect their health. Supplementing our A/V selection ensures that some of our most popular items are available for our patron's enjoyment. Audio books in the youth department have been used to help beginning readers, struggling readers and youth with learning disabilities. Our new collection of beginning reader books also helps encourage and educate our newest readers. And the update of reference material is critical, as the quality of a library's reference service is directly related to the quality of the resources available to the staff.

### **FY 2007 Plan:**

**Adult Area:** This year, funds will be used to continue enhancement of nonfiction, with a focus on updating books on computer technology. As computer hardware and software are frequently changing, the Library would like to provide patrons with the information to navigate these technological advances. Many of the Library's computing books date back to the late 1990's and early 2000's; while these are still useful for patrons who own older technologies, it is essential that we offer up-to-date guidebooks. Areas that need updating include books on personal computers and software, the Internet and web page design, digital music, digital photography, networking and network security. Other areas of non-fiction that are frequently

requested by patrons and could be enhanced are the auto repair manuals, history and art sections.

Additionally, the Library would like to add to the heavily-used Adult Fiction Collection. In FY 2006, about 23% of the Library's total circulation was adult fiction. Most of the collection is composed of bestselling authors from a standing order list. While this selection method ensures that we receive the most popular fiction by established authors, the Library would also like to provide a more diverse offering of fiction by adding books by first-time authors or different authors that may be new to patrons.

**Reference Area:** Areas of the collection that had been identified as obsolete were updated in FY 2006. Numerous reference publications, both venerable and new titles, are available as e-books. Patrons are able to use these titles remotely from any computer connected to the Internet. The Library would like to offer this service to its patrons, providing easily accessible information to those who cannot visit the library or who need the information immediately.

**Audio/Video Area:** The Audio/Visual Department will continue an ongoing project to purchase higher quality audio books and to update the Library's travel videos. In FY 2006, funds were used to add high-quality, unabridged audio books to the collection. These items are more cost-effective in comparison to cheaper yet easily-damaged sets, as lost or damaged single tapes or CDs can be replaced without having to replace the whole set. The addition of new travel VHS and DVD to the popular travel section will be continued with this funding.

**Youth Area:** In FY 2006, the Youth Department used funds to expand its collection of audio books and nonfiction books for beginning readers. With the help of the collection development grant, the Youth Department will continue to purchase materials to help beginning and reluctant readers. High interest books with low reading levels encourage readers to find subjects they want to read about while building both their reading ability and their confidence.



## Churchill County Library

Library Director and Project Director: Barbara Mathews  
[www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/churchill/index.htm](http://www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/churchill/index.htm)  
 \$26,310

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for Project:

Utilizing the guidelines as set forth in our Collection Development policy, we accessed the materials in the Dewey range 400. We found many of our language and hard science books were out of date or we needed revised editions of materials we already owned.

#### How the need was determined:

The need was determined by assessing our current collection against the policy and standards adopted by the library board. We also noted what material was being requested through Interlibrary Loan and the titles our patrons requested.

#### Types of materials purchased:

We purchased the gamut of material: print, DVD, CD and serials. The money was spent on both adult and children/juvenile titles. The books were placed in both the circulating and reference collections.

#### Difference it made in Library services:

By purchasing these titles in the variety of formats we are able to provide more up-to-date information that will further enhance our patrons' knowledge. Also, as these materials will be available via Interlibrary Loan, the people of Nevada will benefit from these new materials. As these titles were integrated into the collection, the staff began an extensive weeding of the science and language areas. This is an ongoing maintenance of the collection in which every library needs to be engaged.

#### Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:

It is our desire that our patrons will learn more



about the natural world that surrounds them and adopt an appreciation of all the languages of the world. The foreign language tapes/CDs have already proven to be very popular. It is also our hope that our patrons will appreciate their native language and learn how to properly construct a grammatically correct sentence.

### FY 2007 Plan:

We propose to purchase materials that will improve the following categories: journalism and publishing; philosophy and psychology; religion; and social sciences. Many of our books on the occult and witchcraft are missing or long overdue. We need to improve the collection with newer books on economics, law, and commerce. Part of our mission is to consider the diversity of our patrons. In that vein, we need to improve the information we have on the different religions and philosophies of the world.

The collection development monies will be divided as follows: 30% will be allocated for K-12 materials and the remainder for the adult collection. We will utilize *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publisher's Weekly*, *Library Journal* and *School Library Journal* to make the appropriate selections. The materials will be print and audiovisual formats.



Churchill County Library

## Douglas County Public Library

Library Director and Project Director: Linda Deacy

[www.douglas.lib.nv.us](http://www.douglas.lib.nv.us)

**\$40,625**

### FY 2006 Evaluation

#### Need for the Project:

One of Nevada's fastest growing counties, Douglas County Public Library's patron base is drawn from the county, adjoining Nevada counties, as well as three neighboring California counties. In addition, the main library in Minden provides services to students at Western Nevada Community College, Douglas campus. Douglas County Public Library provides service to China Spring Youth Camp, Aurora Pines Girls' Facility and the Lake Tahoe Juvenile Detention Facility. While the satellite libraries at China Spring and Aurora Pines were established with LSTA funding, maintenance of the youth camp collections and the detention facility collection was absorbed within the regular materials budget of the Library.

The population growth, as well as the diverse nature of the patron base, have put enormous pressures on the public library system to increase and update collections. These pressures are far beyond what local revenues can accommodate to provide the additional funding needed to replace aging materials and supplement areas in which new scholarship has developed. In addition, due to the increasing needs of our senior and young adult patrons, funding is needed to increase Large Print materials, Books on Tape, and Young Adult materials in both fiction and non-fiction.

#### How need was determined:

Teams of librarians and senior library



technicians are engaged in an ongoing collection development process that includes evaluation and weeding of the libraries' collections using the CREW manual, Public Library Catalog, Children's Catalog, and other standard evaluation tools.

These teams provide the library with information regarding areas in need of supplemental development. The reference team tracks reference questions that must be referred because of inadequate resources. The ILL team tracks areas for which it is necessary for the library to borrow materials regularly. The information provided assists the Selection Team in targeting areas to be developed using grant funding.

#### Types of materials purchased:

Materials purchased include Large Print fiction, audio books, general encyclopedias, subject specialty encyclopedias in science, animals, American history, European history, DVDs on ancient history and geology, DVDs on animals to support the Summer Reading Program, atlases, and picture books on animals to support the Summer Reading Program.

#### Difference they made in Library Services:

The materials purchased targeted three particular age groups: seniors, young adults, and children.

The materials purchased for seniors, primarily Large Print fiction and audio books allowed us to increase the number of items in circulation to this group and enhanced our service offerings to homebound seniors and seniors residing in assisted living facilities.

The materials purchased for young adults enabled us to provide materials to support research projects for middle school, high school and junior college students. For the first time we were able to market our services in the schools and have the materials necessary to support the resulting requests. In addition, we are able to support the largest summer reading program for teens that we have ever delivered.



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(Douglas County Library, continued)

The materials purchased for children have enabled us to support the largest summer reading program that we have ever delivered. We have been able to market the program in the schools and pre-schools and had adequate resources to support the requests by children for materials on animals, both fiction and non-fiction.



**Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials:**

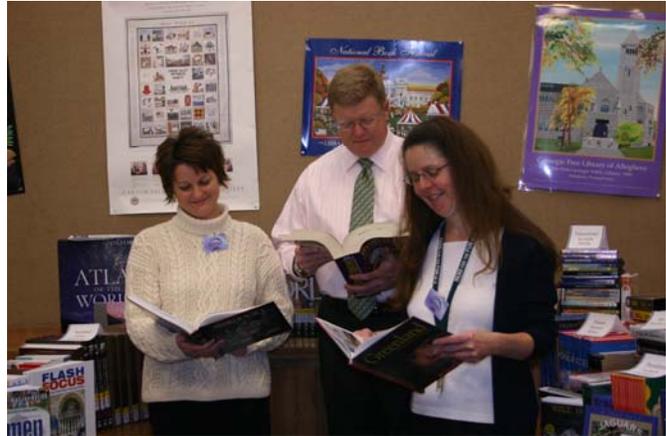
Our homebound seniors and those residing in assisted living facilities have reported to staff and volunteers an increased enjoyment of the services and an appreciation of the new materials.

Our teens and children have enrolled in summer reading in unprecedented numbers. Records to date show the participants reading more materials, more often, than in previous summers. Participants in the programs have commented positively on both the quantity and quality of the new materials available.



**FY 2007 Plan:**

Our local funding is adequate to provide us with ongoing collection purchases, It does not, however, provide the additional funding needed to replace aging materials and supplement areas in which new scholarship has developed. In addition, due to the increasing needs of our senior and young adult patrons, we have spent a large part of our local funding to increase Large Print materials, Books on Tape and Young Adult materials in both fiction and non-fiction.



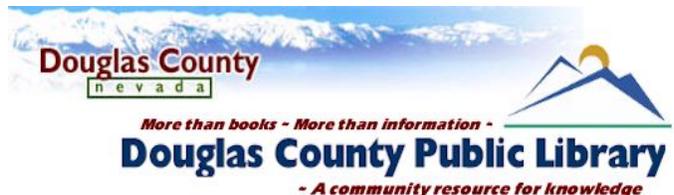
The Douglas County Public Library in Minden was able to add \$20,000 worth of materials to their collection through the State Collection Development Grant. Pictured from left, Library Technical Services Coordinator Karen Fitzgerald, State Senator Mark Amodei, and Library Services Coordinator Linda Wilson show some of the books purchased with grant money.



Lake Tahoe Branch Library



Douglas County Library



## Elko-Lander-Eureka Counties Library System

Library Director: Jeannette Hammons

Project Director: Laura Oki

[www.elkocountylibrary.org](http://www.elkocountylibrary.org)

**\$43,103**

### **FY 2006 Evaluation:**

#### **Need for the Project:**

The Elko-Lander-Eureka County Library System consists of a three county area that serves residents in Elko, Lander and Eureka Counties. The Library System represents a main library facility in Elko, ten branch libraries, a County Law Library and the Northeastern Nevada Regional Bookmobile. The population served by the System is 50,656 covering a service area of over 26,000 square miles.

The Elko-Lander-Eureka County Library has always aggressively sought funds to meet the needs of the population served. The state collection development money provided a significant enhancement to the Elko-Lander-Eureka County Library System's collection.

#### **How the need was determined:**

The staff of the Elko-Lander-Eureka County Library System has kept records of the number of materials that were being requested through Interlibrary Loan. An average of 1,256 books have been requested per year. Patrons were encouraged to submit suggestions on what library materials they felt the library was lacking. A large weeding process was completed to eliminate outdated and inaccurate materials. The average publication date of the adult non-fiction collection is (was) 1979. During this same time period, the main library in Elko experienced a major roof leak. Over \$10,000.00 in adult library materials was damaged beyond repair due to this leak. Based on suggestions from patrons, as well as materials which were weeded or damaged, specific areas outlined in this grant were targeted for collection development.

#### **Types of materials purchased:**

The monies from the Collection Development Grant were used to purchase adult and juvenile print materials.

#### **Adult**

Books covering many of the listed targeted subject areas were purchased for the adult non-fiction area. These



targeted subject areas included but were not limited to: Political Science; Mathematics; Algebra & Number Theory; Diseases; Surgery & related medical specialties; Childrearing; Wood, Construction, Carpentry; Architecture; and Biography, Genealogy, Insignia.

#### **Children's**

Children's Reference and non-fiction materials were purchased for the main library and the branches. Many items purchased were complete sets instead of individual titles. The subject areas included but were not limited to: American Wars, Ancient Civilizations, Famous Battles, Pirates, Space Missions, The Library of American Laws and Principles, Youth with Special Needs, The New Book of Knowledge, Popular Science, and Deadly Diseases and Epidemics.



#### **Difference they made in Library Services:**

The library system has been able to provide more current and accurate information for both children and adults in many areas.



#### **Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials:**

Current and accurate information on critical subjects have been provided for our patrons, both adult and children. A prime example: the husband of one of our staff members was recently diagnosed with a progressive disease. She immediately went to the shelves and borrowed all of our new books on this disease. These titles included adult and children books. She said that the books were very helpful in helping the family understand this disease. The currency of the knowledge alleviated many of their erroneous fears due to the lack of knowledge about this disease prior to reading the books from the library.

#### **FY 2007 Plan:**

Materials will continue to be purchased using the "Subject Areas to be Targeted" from 2006, cataloged and made available to the public.

## Esmeralda County Library

Library Director and Project Director: Kristine MacDonald

**\$4,258**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for project:

The Library budget is just enough to keep our three small buildings functioning, pay the three persons staffing them, and fulfill the *Minimum Public Library Standards for the State of Nevada*. New materials always go out quickly and enough of them are never available to fulfill the demand.

#### How need was determined:

Through the deliberate questioning of library patrons and the answers on a written questionnaire, library staff determined which materials were the most desired.

#### Type of materials purchased:

Movies won out as the most desired item. Among those purchased for their entertainment value were: *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *The Aviator*, and *Cinderella Man*. Among those purchased for their educational value were: *The March of the Penguins*, *Grizzly Man*, and *Fire Wars*.



... and *Star Wars*

New fiction and non-fiction for the young readers and large print for the older readers were purchased items along with audio books for the sight impaired and weary travelers. The entire series of *Hornblower* books was requested and purchased at one library.



*Devils Will Reign: How Nevada Began* by Sally Zanjani entrances Library volunteer Anna Rupp

#### Difference they made in library services:

Having the new materials at hand revived their interest and delighted our patrons in each of the three libraries. They now have more reasons to visit our libraries.

#### Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials:

In Esmeralda County, the least populated county in Nevada, there are little entertainment or intellectual opportunities. The materials purchased with these grant funds give our patrons the joy of their use.

#### FY 2007 Plan:

The Silverpeak, Fish Lake, and Goldfield libraries will purchase, with our grant funds, the most excellent new materials we can discover. The materials will consist of fiction and non-fiction books, movies, audios, or other materials requested by our public. These materials will educate, entertain, fill requests, please our users, and create reasons for new customers to come to the libraries and utilize the services we offer.



Silverpeak Library



Goldfield Library



Fish Lake Library

## Henderson District Public Libraries

Library Director: Tom Fay

Project Director: Gayle Hornaday

[www.hdpl.org](http://www.hdpl.org)

**\$75,344**

### FY 2006 Evaluation

#### Need for Project:

Our original plan was to spend this grant on development of the opening day collection for the library now known as the Green Valley Library, which Henderson Libraries will acquire in January 2009.

#### How the need was determined:

In speaking with vendors, their recommendation was to wait until FY2008 to begin an opening day collection for FY2009. Therefore we determined to use the funds to enhance our current collections in several areas that would have long-lasting or permanent value.

#### Types of materials purchased:

\$10,000 was spent on back years of microfilm of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. This purchase supports our emphasis on local history and genealogy, and provides a resource which is otherwise not available in Henderson.

\$8,000 was spent on a variety of nonfiction materials that enhance the informational value of the collection in a permanent way. Our statistics show that the greatest use of our libraries is for nonfiction informational materials that support homework needs, and the varied interests of adult readers.

\$6,000 was spent on a variety of children's materials to update and enhance the circulating and reference collections in our Youth Services Department.

\$6,000 was spent on audiovisual materials such as educational DVDs for children and books on CD for adults. These are extremely popular collection areas that continually need to be refreshed.

\$5000 was spent to establish a subscription to Books In Print Online. This database is available to both patrons and staff to provide

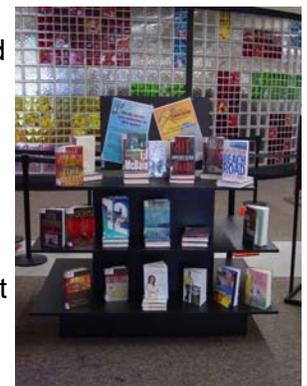
reader's advisory services and to assist staff with collection development and acquisitions. For our Patron Request service, which is one of our most important functions, Books In Print Online helps us suggest, identify, and verify titles that patrons want.

\$1600 was spent to establish our Claim Jumper Service. This service provides non-holdable copies of the most popular titles so that patrons can find them available in the library without waiting on long hold lists. This is proving to be a highly successful service that encourages patrons to visit the library more often.



#### Difference it made in library services:

- The Las Vegas Review Journal microfilm and Books in Print Online provided new resources to expand and enhance existing services.
- The purchases of a variety of collection materials broadened the collection in key areas to provide a basis for the next opening day collection. Each of our opening day collections has historically included materials shifted from other libraries, and this will be true of the Green Valley collection and subsequent ones as well. These purchases have added value and usefulness to the collection as a whole.
- The Claim Jumper collection brings people into the library more often to see what might be available.



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**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

These additions to our resources make people more satisfied with using the library, and more likely to return to the library again when they need information to pursue an interest, or when they want to be entertained with popular reading. In this way the library improves the quality of people's intellectual and leisure lives.

**FY 2007 Plan:**

We are committed to taking over operation of the Green Valley Library from Las Vegas-Clark County Library District (LV-CCLD) in January, 2009. LV-CCLD does not plan to leave collection materials in the building as they will need this collection for the new building they will open at that time.



Green Valley Library

We know from our experience opening two other new libraries that we must start building an opening day collection (ODC) immediately. Our target for Green Valley Library is 100,000 items. We would like to use the collection development funds available this year to begin building this collection. These funds would allow us to acquire approximately 2,000 items this year. We will match this with \$190,000 of local revenue set aside for ODC materials, which will fund approximately 9,500 items. Since materials we collect now will need a long shelf life, we have compiled guidelines for ODC materials acquired in the current year. We have obtained current statistics from LV-CCLD about the makeup and circulation of the current collection which will help us maintain the balance of a collection that has a very high rate of circulation.



Paseo Verde Library



Gibson Library



Lydia Malcolm Library



Pittman Library  
(in the Henderson Boys and Girls Club)

## Humboldt County Library

Library Director and Project Director: Sharon Allen  
[www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/HCL/humtest.htm](http://www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/HCL/humtest.htm)

**\$29,184**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for project:

A constant goal in the Young People's Department of the Humboldt County Library is to work on circulation enhancement. While culling the shabby, old and outdated materials on our shelves, it became apparent what areas needed our attention. Those areas included the technology and sciences, such as natural disasters, current events (i.e. the War in Iraq), current biographies and science fair projects. The children's department also has a need for current encyclopedias for circulation as the only current set is for reference only. Humboldt County has an increasingly large population of home school students and we have found that we needed more materials pertaining to home school education and curriculum. We also continually update current fiction in both adults and young people's department.

#### How need was determined:

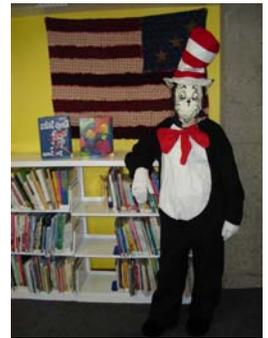
Need was determined through close contact with our area teachers, students and parents by receiving "wish lists" and assignment alert for materials that were going to be needed for school projects.

#### Types of Materials Purchased:

The Humboldt County Library can now say that our science collections, home improvement, self-help titles, craft books, self esteem for the young adults and many other non-fiction are very nice collections. Many libraries in surrounding areas are usually asking for our new titles before our local patrons are even aware that they are here. The children's department has a much more current collection of non-fiction material that will assist the teachers and students in our area and the



beginner readers can boast about their great collection of books. Though we are still waiting to purchase encyclopedias, the children's department is looking great.



#### Difference it made in Library services:

Circulation for new materials is outstanding. Area youth circulated over 15,000 titles during their eight week summer reading programs. The new titles in beginner readers have also encouraged more area teachers to visit with their classes, since their school libraries do not have the needed resources. Many children's programs have a strong attendance rate, the book clubs that we host are growing by leaps and bounds and even the Senior Services have seen an increase.

#### Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:

Parents are delighted with the collection of new titles. Students and teachers have the resources they need for assignments and the youngest of book enthusiasts are coming in more and more for read aloud books. Home school teachers are finding teaching much more accommodating with more current titles and finding needed materials for their lesson plans.

#### Individual stories reflect this concept:

The young family with six children who were not big readers is now in the library several times a week as they get more titles. Their mother has been able to find what she has needed to enhance her children's education so that they are ahead of their grade and excited for school.

The young second grader who didn't want to read during the summer found that the collection we had and the encouragement she was given by our Children's Specialist was all she needed... thus earning herself an "Outstanding Reader Award," and a beautiful new book.

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A mother from our Denio branch was delighted with the collection we have worked so hard to establish because it has helped her daughter to not feel so alone in such a rural community. Books are her friends.

A second grader from the McDermitt area was very shy. While in story time, the librarians read a book written by a child about her age. This little girl became very excited and has decided to write a book too. Though she has since moved from the McDermitt area, she has their address as she intends to send them her first published copy.

Our Humboldt Bookmobile visits many areas that would not otherwise have access to a library. Since these locations are so rural, the bookmobile specialist has taken a great deal of time to find what interests her patrons who do not enjoy reading. Because of the time and effort that has been put into the bookmobile collection, these children are reading and enjoying it and wanting more.

#### **FY 2007 Plan:**

The Humboldt County Library will be utilizing the collection development money for FY 2007 to further develop the audio/visual collections. The library experienced a decline over the last several years in this area of circulation related to the lack of number of audio/visual materials in the proper format. This result was due to a slow transition from video/audio cassette to DVD/CD formats. Over those years the library has had limited funds to expand in the area of DVDs & CDs and as a result caused us to fall behind the curve in our transition.

To improve our circulation numbers in this particular area the library would utilize the collection development funds to increase the number of DVD/CD resources and in turn increase circulation numbers as a result. This part of the collection is used extensively by the patrons frequenting the library and constitutes a major portion of the overall circulation. The library's collection consists of language courses and top selling book selections in audio formats as well as historical, educational, instructional and cultural items in video formats.



Humboldt County Library



McDermitt Branch Library



Denio Branch Library



Humboldt County Bookmobile

## Las Vegas-Clark County Library District

Library Director: Daniel Walters

Project Director: Jan Passo

[www.lvcclld.org](http://www.lvcclld.org)

**\$636,281**

### **FY 2006 Evaluation:**

#### **Need for the Project:**

Based on surveys of the library's primary customers and from residents who do not use District services, combined with staff input, the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District determined a need to provide resources and services to help students in grades K-8 achieve their educational goals. Additionally identified was a need for materials in languages that reflect the diversity of the Las Vegas community.

#### **How need was determined:**

The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District engaged in a multi-faceted planning process to develop a 2005-2008 Strategic Plan. This planning process, under the facilitation of consulting firms, included work with the Library District's Trustees, administrators, and staff in the various aspects of the planning effort. It included the collection of a large amount of data that was subsequently used to implement the plan.

To assist the District in focusing its efforts to ensure that library services are relevant to the community, service responses were adopted into the plan. They included Current Topics and Titles; Lifelong Learning; Formal Learning Support; Commons Environment; Cultural Awareness; and Basic Literacy. Users and nonusers were asked to rate the importance of the identified service missions of the District. The results showed that 88.1% of the users' and 73.8% of the nonusers' identified homework assistance as being an extremely important service for our District to the community, making that service priority their top ranked. Homework assistance fell under the Formal Learning Support service response defined as providing materials and services to support student's educational needs.

The consultants provided a picture of the District's community by compiling demographic data. They consulted census, Clark County Assessor, and Clark County Comprehensive Planning data. The percentage of residents that were identified as Hispanic or Latino was 22%, which is nearly twice that of the United States as a whole (12.5%). The survey indicated that 76.1% of the users and 69.9% of the nonusers identified Cultural Awareness as an important service mission of the library District. This service response places emphasis on ensuring that District collections, programming, and staff, will reflect the diversity of our community.

#### **Types of materials purchased:**

In support of the strategic initiative to provide resources and services to help students in grades K-8 achieve their educational goals, staff researched the Nevada State Curriculum standards and developed collection-building lists throughout the year for materials that had direct correlation to these standards. The materials were selected (in English and Spanish) to meet a variety of age and informational needs. Approximately 88% of the grant was spent in support of this strategic initiative. The District's commitment to this initiative specifically included an additional amount in excess of \$1 million on like or similar materials.

#### Non-fiction print:

The largest expenditure of this grant went to this category: 63%. The materials selected included a



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wide array of books that not only provide homework assistance but titles that will encourage independent reading and promote lifelong learning. They cover topics in the core curricular areas. Reading readiness materials were also targeted selections made in this category including titles designed to promote literacy.

Electronic reading devices and accompanying reading materials: The District has noted a wide interest by the public in the electronic reading devices provided by LeapFrog SchoolHouse. To fill this need and expand our collection, staff investigated the research

done on these devices, and selected a variety of materials beyond the well-known LeapPad readers to include materials for all elementary grades. Items selected were targeted to develop students' critical thinking and comprehension skills. Small handheld interactive devices mimic popular game type devices while providing critical subject coverage in spelling, math, science, and social studies.

Manipulatives: These materials provide children with reading preparation skills. A child's visit to the library becomes an opportunity to engage in play designed to improve spatial awareness, build logical thinking skills, and develop fine motor skills. They include puzzles and a variety of educational manipulatives.

Non-fiction DVDs: Children possess a variety of learning styles. To accommodate visual learners, staff selected non-fiction



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DVDs on curricular-aligned topics from explorers to economics for children.

Spanish materials:

In support of need for materials in languages that reflect the diversity of the Las Vegas community, staff researched the circulation statistics and found a need for increases in Spanish materials holdings, specifically in audiovisual formats. Approximately 12% of the grant money was spent in support of this strategic initiative. The District contributed approximately \$100,000 in additional funds for Spanish audiovisual materials.

Music CDs: The Spanish culture is instantly



identifiable by the sound of its rich and diverse music. Selections were made to include both contemporary as well as traditional artists and

songs including such titles as *Amor a la Mexicana* and *Historia Musical Nortena*. Latino music provides a cross-cultural bridge for all library users.

DVDs: Selections of titles were made to ensure that a diverse mixture was added. Effort was made to find titles produced in Spanish speaking countries. Titles selected included *El Ultimo de la Texana*, and *Garrincha, Estrella Solitaria*.

Computacion Sin Barreras: Produced by the same company that created *Inglés sin Barreras*, this seven-volume self-study course is designed for Spanish-speakers with little to no knowledge of the world of computing and the Internet. It features tutorials on the most widely used Microsoft® Office programs, Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access allowing users to apply what they learn on all computers - at home, on the job, or in school.



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### **Difference they made in Library services:**

The homework help materials purchased using grant funds, combined with those from the District, have been placed around the system. They have been flagged with clear orange label protectors, and their circulation will be tracked through our circulation database. As part of the homework help initiative, the Library District is developing an initial homework help center at the West Las Vegas Library, a large urban branch located in a diverse community within walking distance of several under-performing elementary and middle schools. Based upon the results of this pilot project, the District may develop similar homework help resources and services in its remaining eleven urban branches. Once the plans have been implemented, these materials can be moved to a designated area within each library to serve as a focused collection of resources.



The District has been able to strengthen partnerships with area schools. As services and materials are being promoted, more classroom teachers are taking advantage of these opportunities to enhance student learning.

One library experimented adding a temporary label: “estreno” (premier) to new Spanish materials. This enables the library to feature these materials alongside the new English language materials. Staff has found that materials marked with “estreno” labels are receiving higher circulation than similar or like titles within the collection. These funds have provided an opportunity for greater exposure to the variety of materials and services the District can provide.

### **Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials**

In one library, a family was spotted using the LeapFrog materials. As staff observed, they noted that the mother attending to her

children as they interacted with the variety of manipulatives, seemed to be learning to read, right along with her children.

Families wanting to get a head start on reading also look to a variety of selected materials. Many parents come back sharing that their 4 or 5 year old is already reading. By the end of kindergarten they are progressing to chapter books. This is a great benefit to the child in school and will be throughout their lives.

Because of the inclusion of these materials, staff is been better equipped to help our youth do well in the science fairs that are mandatory for upper elementary and middle school grades by expanding the science and experiment collections. Many patrons report back their success with their experiment and on occasion that they won the science fair... partly due to the help they found at the beginning of the project.



### **FY 2007 Plan:**

The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District surveyed users in order to ascertain new and current community needs and perceptions of the Library District. 88.1% of users rated Homework Assistance as being very or extremely important to the community. Specifically, this assistance was characterized as providing “students of all ages with the books, journals, non-print media, databases, computers and information service they need to support

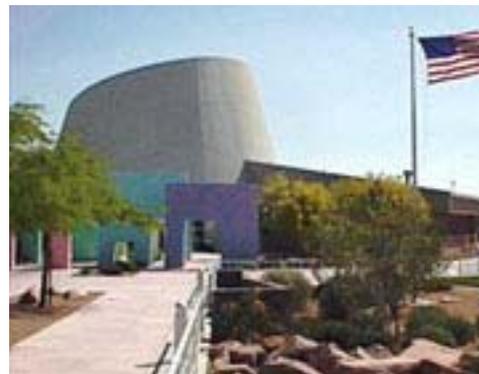
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their education as well as safe places to do homework.” This continues to be a priority for the District. To support the homework needs of the community, the District proposes using the State Collection Development Funds FY 2007 for acquisition of materials for youth in preschool through grade eight. Materials acquired will include fiction and non-fiction books; research database; e-books; downloadable audiobooks; beginning literacy support materials; and audiovisual materials in various formats, including DVD, audiobooks and electronic readers for children. Additionally, 82.1% of those surveyed responded that “Lifelong Learning” was an important service mission of the District; therefore, the District proposes using a portion of the grant for materials, for books, non-print media and databases for self-directed personal growth and development.



Enterprise Library



Rainbow Library



Clark County Library



Spring Valley Library



Las Vegas Library



Summerlin Library

Sahara West Library



Sunrise Library

**Lincoln County Library**  
Library Director and Project Director: Jo Robinson  
**\$2,330**

**FY 2006 Evaluation:**

**Need for Project:**

With Technology ever changing and the cassette tape becoming obsolete in many new vehicles our Libraries were struggling to build an Audio CD collection that would meet the needs of our patrons. Our unique location in rural Nevada provides for countless hours on the road. Many of our patrons work out of the area traveling six or more hours a week to and from work. With a lack of shopping and specialists in the medical field many also travel from town to town, to Las Vegas, and to neighboring Utah for major shopping needs, doctors and dentists.

**How the need was determined:**

Our patrons wanted new titles in CD form to inform as well as entertain them during their many hours on the road.

**Types of materials purchased:**

Our patrons asked us to purchase new releases on CD instead of cassette. Most of the materials that were purchased with these funds were Adult Fiction in Audio CD format. This has allowed us to provide a much needed and appreciated new service in our Libraries.

**Difference it made in library services:**

The CDs are flying off the shelves and circulation for Audios has increased. We usually have people waiting for the new releases to come in and as word spreads we anticipate even more use of these materials.

**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

The travelers of our County, which are many, are truly enjoying that they can sit down with a good book while getting from point A to point B.

**FY 2007 Plan:**

The second year of this grant will be a continuation of the first. We will purchase as much as we can the first year. When the second year come around we will evaluate the progress and look closely to see where we need to fill in. We will then purchase remaining items to complete the collection and hope that we have provided what our patrons need. Grants like this are very valuable to us. Our budgets are small and we usually have just enough to keep up on new fiction.

Lincoln  
County  
Library



Alamo  
Branch  
Library



Caliente Branch Library  
(in wing on right end of building)

## LYON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Library Director and Project Director: Diane Brigham

[www.lyon-county.org/libraries](http://www.lyon-county.org/libraries)

**\$31,586**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for project:

As the fastest growing county in the nation, public demand for library materials and services in Lyon County has rapidly changed from rural to more urban dimensions. Business commuters, retirees who travel, and new residents choosing evenings and weekends at home, equally compete for audiobooks on CD and entertainment on DVD.

#### How need was determined:

Customer reaction to the first increment of our media-focused Collection Development was resoundingly clear. Instead of piecemeal purchasing that resulted in only a handful of new acquisitions, library customers actually saw their favorite shelves fill up with new DVD and CD titles. Their excitement was almost palpable and their expectations now, are high. More than one commuting patron has said about the audiobooks on CD, "These things save my life!"

#### Types of materials purchased:

Audiobooks on CD covering all genres—fiction, nonfiction, biography, lectures, poetry, and travel—and DVD entertainment including classic Academy Award-winning and Disney films, television shows of the 50s, live musical performances, and timeless sitcoms were purchased for all five branch libraries.

Additionally, Silver Stage Library significantly enlarged its unique Sustainability Collection.

One library visitor said, "You have enough information in this one little library to rebuild civilization—if we should ever need to."



#### Difference the grant made in library services:

Having media collections that are large enough to stand alone and catch the attention of our customers have elevated the status of our libraries in our communities. Great library services come from a willingness to flex and

change. Lyon County Library System users feel valued because we have acknowledged the needs that stem from the fast-paced direction of their lives. Customer service is our focus and is defined by our awareness of, and response to, those needs.



#### Difference the grant made in the lives of those using the materials:

**Theresa Kenneston**, Dayton Valley Branch Library Manager:

"A drafting engineer with Southwest Gas spends her working hours listening to



audiobooks and used to get many titles she wanted by way of Interlibrary Loan because our own collection was so small. She was so pleased with the generosity of the Collection Development fund that she wrote a letter of thanks to her legislator."

"Patrons were thrilled when the items began arriving—especially the parents who desire a 'clean, family-oriented' movie selection. Parents are able to share with their children such classics as 'The Apple Dumpling Gang,' and 'Candlehoe.' Grandparents also check out these titles saying, 'I remember watching this on the 'Wonderful World of Disney' when my children were small. Now, I can watch it with my grandchildren. The collection was particularly welcome to frazzled, stay-at-home mothers during the long, hot summer months."

**Leigh Zevenbergen**, Silver Stage Branch Library Manager:

"14-year-old Nicole Davis gave me the idea for building a classic film collection. We were talking about the



number of art projects she was cramming into her backpack when I said, 'You're going to need a bigger boat.' She looked blankly at me and said, 'Huh? What does that mean?' You've never seen *Jaws*, I asked? 'Not all the way through', she replied. This started me thinking about how few kids today are actually exposed to classic film, especially the older black-and-whites, the film noirs, even the silents. Well, now Nicole has seen *Jaws*. And *Clockwork Orange*, *Dr. Strangelove*, *MASH*, *The Killing Fields*, *In the Heat of the Night*, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, *Citizen Kane*, and *Lawrence of Arabia*. This is one kid who is acquiring cultural touchstones by the dozens, and she's just one of many! There are a lot more wonderful classic films out there, and Nicole can hardly wait to see them."

Leigh also spent some of her grant money on her children's collection and said, "A First Grade teacher at Silver Springs Elementary recently came into the library. New to the area, having come from L.A., he wandered around the children's section for some time before he said, 'I'm really impressed! You have the best of the newest!!' He continued by saying he would bring his class in to familiarize the students with the library resources and encourage them to get library cards. 'This is a nice collection...much better than I had expected of such a small community.'

**Pat Zdunich**, Fernley Branch Library Manager:



"Several commuters have come in saying that a friend had told them about the books on CD at the library and were delighted to find out all they

needed was a library card to use them."

"One lady said how much she appreciated the new books on CD, but then said we needed more mysteries. A gentleman interjected that he noticed there were more women authors than men authors, but nonetheless loves having so many new selections. As the library collection develops, so does my experience in selecting what my customers want."

"Another woman comes in once a week to pick up books on CD for her mother who is in an assisted living home here in Fernley. Both

mother and daughter are grateful for the new collection."

**Jeanne Stockman**, Smith Valley Library

Manager:

"Students love the new children's CDs and use them as reading tools to listen to the words as they read along with the book. Improved reading scores for



many of these students has been a grand result. Teachers are using some of the DVDs for classroom discussions."

**Maranne Thieme**, Central Branch Library

Manager:

"Nonfiction DVD entertainment has not been overlooked.

National Geographic

programs, travelogues, yoga, Pilates, music concerts, and cooking programs are all part of the diverse viewing options currently available to our library patrons."



"Today, business commuters, vacationers, artists and crafts people keep up with their reading through their ears instead of their eyes. The CD collection has something for everyone with fiction, travel, biography, lectures, language, and even old radio programs to choose from. The windfall of these materials is easy to see on the shelves and is creating quite a happy stir among our valued library customers."

### **FY 2007 Plan: Expanded and Enhanced Media Collections**

With five libraries in the Lyon County Library System, each with a different demographic market area, we have diverse demands for services. One common need expressed at each branch library is to meet the demand for more media--DVDs and audiobooks on CDs. The library system will make this the primary element of expenditure with the State Collection Development funding; approximately \$10,000 will be designated for media. The remainder will be expended on books specified by each branch manager.

## Mineral County Library

Library Director and Project Director: Antonia Dellamonica

[www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/mineral.htm](http://www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/mineral.htm)

**\$12,402**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for the project:

Collection development funding is used primarily to update and expand the reference, adult non-fiction and juvenile non-fiction collections. It is difficult for small, rural libraries to maintain current, attractive materials with minimal county budgets. The library also updates beginning-reading materials for children with this funding. Several teachers schedule classroom visits to the public library throughout the school term and parents and teachers rely on our selection of materials for young readers. Primary subject areas developed in 2006-2007 were (reference) coins, stamps, and paper money; (adult non-fiction) small business, legal matters, computers, health and medicine, crafts and "how-to", and (juvenile non-fiction) folklore, civics, the solar system, insects, animals, and sports. The library also provided some popular materials that are in high demand - juvenile and young adult paperbacks, adult non-fiction video recordings in DVD format, and juvenile audio materials in CD format.

#### How need was determined:

The need for updated materials was determined through the on-going evaluation of the collection and the weeding process. This process also includes analysis of materials ordered from other libraries through Interlibrary Loan and input from the staff and patrons.

#### Types of materials purchased:

Material formats included books, popular paperback books for young readers, video in DVD format, and new juvenile audio materials in CD format. All materials purchased are routinely made available to our branch in Mina through a scheduled branch assignment transfer.

#### Difference materials made in library services:

The library is better able to serve its patrons with current, new materials and these materials are also available to other libraries through Interlibrary Loan. Having adequate resources available in-house reduces Mineral County's use of material borrowed from other libraries. The availability of new popular titles and formats

draws patrons to the library, increases circulation, and generates greater use of the library resources and facility.

#### Difference materials made in the lives of those using the library:

Patrons find a better selection of materials for their needs. Students find up-to-date resources for their assignments. Mineral County patrons use audio materials while driving to and from our rural community and while doing household chores and crafts. Both young patrons and adults enjoyed the juvenile audio titles in CD format, which included the Harry Potter series.



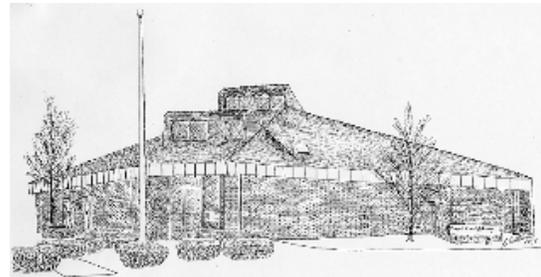
Our DVD collection includes many donated movies. The non-fiction DVD materials purchased are well used and include not only instructional

materials, but also documentaries. A fresh selection of paperback materials for young readers has increased usage of the library by children and young adults during our summer reading program and classroom visits.



#### FY 2007 Plan:

Continued enhancement to areas in need: Adult encyclopedia; Juvenile non-fiction; Large print materials; Young adult graphic novels and paperbacks; Adult DVD; and Easy LeapPad kits



Mineral County Library

## North Las Vegas Library District

Library Director: Anita Laruy

Project Director: Marylou Alfonso

[www.nlvld.org](http://www.nlvld.org)

**\$44,146**

### FY 2006 Evaluation: Aliante Adult Non-fiction Collection Enhancement

#### Need for project:

A new full-service library has not been seen in North Las Vegas for 41 years. The anticipation among council members, neighborhood residents and library staff ran high. The U.S. Census Bureau recently ranked North Las Vegas as the second fastest growing large city in the United States. While the distinction is an honor, it also indicates that city services and infrastructures might be slightly behind this documented growth. The North Las Vegas Library Board accurately predicted the popularity of the Aliante subdivision and the immediate need for a library in this newest area of the city's growth. The library is 15,900 square feet. Forty-one years with one full-service library plus the addition of the second fastest growing city defined the need for the library. However, although it is fun to build a beautiful building just to look at, it doesn't accomplish much beyond the architectural intrigue. It was necessary to fill the new building with library materials. That premise generated the need.

#### How the need was determined:

Careful observation of what was requested and eventually checked out at the small satellite branch was a factor that determined need. Another factor that defined the need was based



Aliante Branch Library

on a national book and library vendor's pre-defined library collections for the demographics of Aliante. With these statistics, we were able to determine what was lacking in the collection that was transferred from the satellite branch. These statistics also indicated what was popular in other libraries across the country that were similar in scope to Aliante. Surveys of potential patrons that were held prior to the groundbreaking for Aliante indicated other needs such as DVD's, art books, computer support materials and financial resources. Armed with this data, the need was determined. However, one need that was not mentioned in any of our pre-opening planning was the request for Music CD's. This need was discovered by reading national trends of other public libraries similar to Aliante.

#### Types of materials purchased:

We had anticipated a need much greater for music CD's than actually developed. Because this material type was a new adventure for us and we were unsure of either the market or the availability of the materials, we slightly overestimated the money required to make this music collection viable. As mentioned above, the financial resource materials were some of the specifically requested items. These generally fall into the Social Sciences areas. We purchased slightly above our estimated costs in this area. Another area that was requested on the surveys was for art books. Art books are usually very expensive and hard to find. The color glossies that make art books workable are expensive to reproduce. Thus the cost of the book rises. We came really close to our estimate and only spent a bit more than anticipated in Art subject area. Our contract book vendor plus unobtrusive observations on the part of the library staff indicated that Psychology, Religion, and Philosophy are very popular. We addressed these needs elsewhere so we actually spent minimally less than anticipated. Computer resource books were requested on the surveys, and as is the nature of computer science materials, they change rapidly. The need is usually great and the books  
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published are inexhaustible. Because of the vastness of the area of computer resources and with new programs coming out every day, we spent significantly more in this area than anticipated. Finally, the remainder was spent in all other subject areas.. After we did our research and got the entire satellite collection moved into the new facility, we discovered some areas in the collection that were missed in the preliminary analysis. The amount of books on the shelves in certain areas just didn't look like they should for a library of that size. We purchased high interest items in the subject areas that looked less than adequate.

**Difference it made in Library services:**

The difference is phenomenal. The extra \$22,366 created a cushion for our on-shelf materials. We suspected that the library would be well-loved from the minute it opened. This extra money insured that the amount of books on the shelves would look respectable.

There is a perception among the library patrons that when a library opens, books will be on the shelves. We wanted



to be sure that we not only had a beautiful building, we wanted to assure the community that there would be items for their enjoyment in the beautiful building. Although this sounds like common sense, it is easy to be distracted by the architectural aspects. This grant guaranteed that library items would not be forgotten.

**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

Adult Non-fiction circulation accounted for over 5,400 items in the first six weeks that the library was open. Although impossible to tell the exact titles that are included in this total, one can assume that many were from these collection enhancement monies especially Psychology, Philosophy, Religion, Social Sciences, and Art areas because post hoc evidence indicated high interest in these areas. The general assumption in libraries is that the items that check out are of interest; those on the shelf aren't of interest yet. An analysis on July 17, 2006 indicated that most of the items in the social sciences areas were being used as well as a good portion of the art and religion, philosophy and psychology. This is the model that we hoped to achieve with these extra funds. These extra funds allowed us to

successfully purchase items in the high interest areas. While it is hard to gain measurable empirical data as to specific items that have been checked out over a period of time, it is easy to judge the amount of books left on the shelf. For instance, if you start out with a shelf that is 3/4 full and a week later it is only 1/4 full, you have hit a high interest area. That was the case for the Psychology, Philosophy, Religion, Social Sciences, and Art subjects..

**FY 2007 Plan: North Las Vegas Library District Just-in-case 2007**

Recently in management, two distinct areas of thought emerged. One, called just-in-time, resembles Interlibrary Loan. That model states that although you don't own a title, you can get it. The North Las Vegas Library District adopted this policy for its main branch when the limited collection development monies were directed to Aliante, as defined in the first year of this grant.

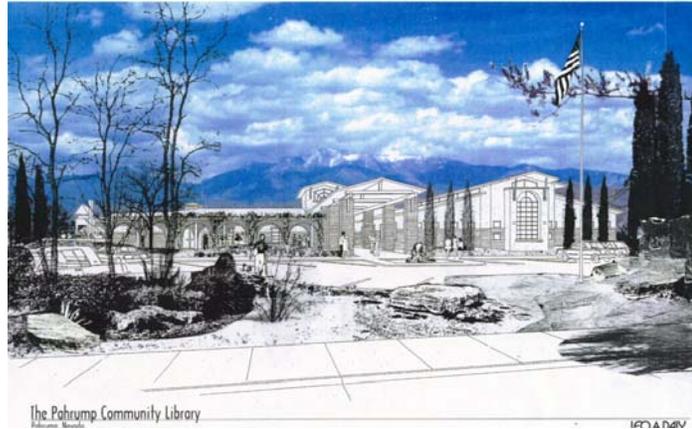
The second model, just-in-case, is the traditional model of library service. Librarians study the population and have books available to meet the needs of those patrons. This is more like the book store model except usually only one copy is owned by the library. This model has worked very well for a long time. However, budgetary concerns forced many libraries into the first model. With this collection development money, we will be able to expand our collections at the main branch through our just-in-case model.

The main areas of concentration will be DVD's, social science, updates of sports information, technology, crafts, and cookbooks. Potential databases such as the Learnatest product which is used for test preparation will be included. Other areas including, but not limited to, art, music, history, education, back copies of favorite fiction authors have been put into the just-in-time status rather than the just-in-case mode.



North Las Vegas Library

**Pahrump Community Library**  
 Library Director and Project Director: Susan Wonderly  
[www.pahrumplibrary.com](http://www.pahrumplibrary.com)  
**\$16,022**



**FY 2006 Evaluation:**

**Need for project:**

Pahrump continues to develop into a diverse community. The community consists largely of families with at least one member commuting into Las Vegas daily and retirees who either live in Pahrump full time or are "Snowbirds."

**How need was determined:**

Audio Collection – We have an overwhelming demand for audio books for commuters, sight-impaired, snowbirds and the general public. This demand has shifted from audio on cassette format to the audios-on-CD format due to the growing number of commuters with CD stereos in automobiles.

**Types of Materials purchased:**

CD audio books of various titles of fiction.

**Difference it made in Library Services:**

The Collection Development grant allowed for an increase in audios. The library is offering the format the patron needs and wants, in keeping with our mission statement. Collection development has increase the service we offer and the size of the collection. This grant has allowed the library to increase audios on CD format by 104, doubling the collection from the previous year, and circulation is three times greater than in the previous year.

**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

**FY 2007 Plan:**

Continuing with expanding audio recordings in CD format.  
 Improving Reference Department with current materials.

**NYE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICTS**

FY 2005	Population	Employees	Registered Borrowers	Total Holdings	Local Collection Expenditures
Amargosa Valley Library *	1,383	2	734	15,028	\$13,627
Beatty Library	1,032	1	768	17,160	\$5,568
Pahrump Community Library	34,100	9	2,562	53,809	\$35,760
Smoky Valley Library *	1,868	7	1,446	43,538	\$51,502
Tonopah Library	2,607	1	1,557	10,612	\$2,679

\*School/ Public library

## Pershing County Library

Library Director & Project Director: Jeanne Munk

[www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/pershing.htm](http://www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/pershing.htm)

**\$10,934**

### FY 2006 Evaluation

#### Need for project:

In the Pershing County Library, space for materials is at a critically low level. To continue to supply our patrons with books in audio format we need to switch from book cassette tapes to CDs which take up less space.

Small libraries are often asked for materials that may not be available. We borrow materials via Interlibrary Loan from other libraries to provide that material for the patron. When grants are available, it is one way of adding those materials to our collections in various formats that are otherwise unaffordable. Our patrons expect the library to purchase materials in a variety of formats such as DVD, VHS, CD books on tape and print. It is not unusual for us to have a book in print, on a CD and on audio tape.

While conducting research for the library's marketing grant, it was determined that we needed to add Spanish language publications for our adult Hispanic population. This adds to space and funding needs.

Every five years the library inventories some part of the print collection. Items that are removed according to our Collection Development Policy need to be replaced. Collection Development funds allow us to do this.

#### How the need was determined:

The library evaluated space requirements. VHS movies take up space on the shelves; whereas, DVDs require less space. Collection Development funds are being used to purchase DVDs. If we do not go to this format, the library will have to stop buying in the VHS format. Books on tape take up space; whereas, books in CD format take less.

The library assessed damaged and out-of-date materials and replacement needs. The library has finished removing damaged and out of date materials in the areas of domestic animals: care and training, horticulture, the arts and medical sciences during inventory. Grant funds will help

us replace materials in these areas of our collection.

The library has documented requests for materials. In the children's and young adult section of the library, the need for materials was based on requests made for books on careers and the amount of Interlibrary Loan requests for graphic novels and "Anime"(animated graphic DVDs) . Collection development funds allow us to meet these demands. We are a popular fiction library. We need to be responsive to the



Story Hour Summer Reading Program:  
Paws, Claws and Scales and Tales

changing times with books or movies on our shelves. Now libraries are expected to have movies, books on tape, graphic novels. Many books and graphic novels are now being written have sequels to the original. The graphic novels can have as many as 12 sequels. Once a library purchases one of these sets, the library is expected to continue until the end of the series and it is costly to provide those additional items.

#### Types of Materials purchased.

The adult section of the library selected materials in the formats print, DVD, and CD. Three magazines were purchased in Spanish. In the children's and young adult area over twenty anime DVD were added. The "Anime" DVD are a new genre that are often requested at this library. Over thirty non-fiction books were added to the young adult collection in the areas of careers, reference, and sciences.

**Difference they made in library services:**

The “Anime” DVDs have certainly been popular with many having been checked out a dozen times. The career books will be important to students planning their future. Having up to date career books at this library will reduce time having to send for them through Interlibrary Loan.

Libraries need to be responsive to our community needs. The library cannot remain stagnant. As new information on subjects becomes available, we need to add to our collection and keep it current. In poor economic times and reduced budgets collection development funds allow us to remain current.

**Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials.**

Teenagers have the need to share their experiences with their peers. For example, providing them with “Anime” DVDs is just one way to satisfy that need. Teen patrons have told their friends about the DVDs and their friends have been returning to the library for these specific DVDs.

“Word of mouth” is an inexpensive marketing tool that our library does not have to pay for. By being responsive to our patron’s requests, the library is showing that we listen to their needs and we do try to meet those needs.

The library was able to provide materials to individuals who only have CD players in their vehicles and at home. New vehicles have only CD players in them. This library has a large circulation in books on cassettes and CD. We have more requests for CDs than books on cassettes. We will not discard our existing VHS tapes or books on cassettes, rather we will

phase them out as they become damaged or no longer circulate. We still have patrons who only have VHS capability.

The library has received requests for materials printed in Spanish. When researching for our marketing grant, we conferred with the Even Start Program in Lovelock. They serve a Hispanic population. They felt it would be beneficial for the library to carry magazines in Spanish. Of their suggestions, three magazines in Spanish were added *Selecciones, Latina* and *People*.

**FY 2007 Plan:**

During the second year of the grant, subscriptions to two regional newspapers, the *Winnemucca Humboldt Sun* and *Fallon Eagle Standard*, will be added. The additional areas in our collection to be supplemented are reference, computers, self-help and travel guide.

The children’s and young adult sections will add to the reference and careers collections.



Pershing County Library

**How many libraries in Nevada?**

Public library entities	22	Special libraries	27
Public library sites	87	(government, medical, law, religious, etc.)	
College and University Libraries	20	Armed Forces libraries	2
School library media centers	527	<b>Total</b>	<b>685</b>

## SMOKY VALLEY LIBRARY DISTRICT

Library Director and Project Manager: Jeanne Bleecker

[www.smokyvalleylibraries.org](http://www.smokyvalleylibraries.org)

**\$18,513**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for project

In the past, adequate funds were not available to enhance areas in our collection that are important to our patrons. Our reference area was especially in need of updated materials. The Nevada collection was lacking in the area of individual county information. In general our entire nonfiction area in both the adult and children's area was in need of updating.

#### How need was determined:

We used the program Sagebrush Benchmark to evaluate our collection and help determine where the need was greatest. The need for current, new and updated materials is essential for patrons who live in a rural area. Therefore we feel it is our responsibility to make sure our collection has everything possible to help our patrons of all ages.

#### Types of material purchased:

The types of materials purchased with this grant include the following:

Adult reference material – encyclopedias, medical reference books, college handbooks, grant seeking materials and career enhancement materials.

Nevada collection – individual county information

Junior reference material – English and Spanish encyclopedias, English/Spanish Dictionaries and Almanacs

Non-fiction material – filled in areas that were lacking or had outdated material

Junior non-fiction material – filled in areas that were lacking or had outdated material

#### Differences it made in Library service:

Students are now able to find current information on colleges, grants, and career enhancement possibilities

Patrons have current and valuable information concerning medical information

The Nevada collection is more complete with current and updated information

Patron, students and teachers now have current and updated information in all non-fiction areas of the library

Spanish students now have an easier time finding information for school with the Spanish encyclopedias and dictionaries

#### Difference it made in the lives of those using the material:

The collection of materials that dealt with financing a student's continuing education was well used. Serena Johnson a library employee and valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Round Mountain High School used the "College Financial Handbook" to apply for additional funds to augment the scholarships she received. Serena will be attending Brigham Young University in the fall.



Patrons used the medical references purchased to educate themselves on diagnosis they received. They appreciated the fact the library had up to date information in book form because they did not feel comfortable using the Internet.

Our English Language Learning (ELL) patrons appreciated our Spanish-English dictionaries as they strived to get a better grasp of English. The school age ELL appreciated being able to find information in their native language, which help them understand the information when it was presented in English.

#### FY 2007 Plan:

Monies awarded to the Smoky Valley Library District for 2007 will be used to expand and update Reference, Nevada Collection and non-fiction for all ages at both the Round Mountain and Manhattan Public Libraries



Round Mountain



Manhattan

## STOREY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Director and Project Director: Lucy W Bouldin

[www.storey.k12.nv.us/community/SCPL](http://www.storey.k12.nv.us/community/SCPL)

**\$7,161**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for the Project:

One of the long range goals of the Storey County Public Library is to have the complete collection of (a) Caldecott Medal and Honor titles, (b) Newbery Medal and Honor titles and (c) the 100 Best Novel titles. There was also the goal to try and have each title in audio/CD, book, and DVD/VHS form.

#### How the need was determined:

By the Storey County Public Library Board of Trustees and Director. The Library Director had read that a wonderful gift idea would be to give a person a copy of the Caldecott Medal Book, the Newbery Medal Book and video published/made the year he/she was born. It was felt that the books needed to be available in the library should anyone else want to adopt this idea.



#### Types of materials purchased:

Audiocassettes, Books, CDs, DVDs and in some instances, VHS.

#### Difference it made in Library services:

There has been increased usage of the three collections, especially the Caldecott collection.

#### Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:

Students with below average reading skills are browsing the titles and realizing that they can check out the book and Audio/CD at the same time. Only time will tell the real difference these items have made in the lives of those using them.

#### FY 2007 Plan:

To purchase each title in all possible mediums:

- Complete Caldecott collection
- Complete Newbery Collection
- Complete 100 Best Novels Collection

### Who uses public libraries?

In 2005:

- Nevada's population was 2,518,558
- There were 1,027,160 registered borrowers in Nevada public libraries
- Total public library operating expenditures was \$69,279,050
- Per capita expenditures was \$27.51
- Local collection expenditures in public libraries was \$11,438,001
- Per capita collection expenditures was \$4.54, ranging from 91 cents to \$27.57.
- The total number of holdings in public libraries was 4,747,754 items
- Public library circulation (not including bookmobiles) in public libraries was 15,656,951
- Per capita circulation in Nevada public libraries was 6.19 items
- There were 4,493,580 users of electronic resources
- Four bookmobiles (Elko, Humboldt, Lincoln and Washoe Counties) circulated 63,722 items in 39,532 customer visits

## TONOPAH LIBRARY DISTRICT

Library Director and Project Director: Carolina Loncar

**\$1,449**

**FY 2006 Evaluation:** 2006 SUMMER READING PROGRAM: PAWS, CLAWS, SCALES AND TALES

### **Need for Project:**

Our children have little for entertainment in Tonopah for summer outside of T-Ball, softball, bible school, and swimming. The summer reading program is an important tool for introducing the children to the library, meeting other children and learning new social and interactive skills. They love the craft and music part as well as the stories. Many of them, with parents' permission, received their own library card. It is a great tool for promoting our library and what it has for them.

### **How need was determined:**

We work with the teachers and administrators in our schools and they help with input when we survey different programs. We received requests from a number of parents who were interested in having their children attend the summer reading program. As a librarian I know my children that come in on a regular basis and know how much they appreciate being recognized and accepted. They respond by their desire to be in the library for whatever reason.

### **Types of materials purchased:**

Library materials:  
Books, DVD'S,  
and craft supplies.



### **Difference they made in Library services:**

The library materials that were bought with the grant monies will be in the library for future use. The materials were used for the summer reading program and will be available to the children for homework assignments during the school year. Some of these children came to the library for their first time and now are aware of what we have here for them. Parents of these children found that we have other services available to them such as faxing, Internet, Reference, copier, and printers and audiobooks in addition to the books and newspapers that they expect in libraries.

### **Difference they made in the lives of those using the materials:**

The program helps parents to see the availability of the resources at the library that will enhance the reading, art, crafts, and reports that their children are assigned at school. It opens a new avenue for parents and other patrons of the library in their personal searches. These materials and exposure to the summer reading program and the books, crafts, and entertainment promotes our library to new people.

### **FY 2007 Plan:**

The Tonopah Library plans to use the grant monies to purchase audiobooks on CD and DVD, due to primary interest of the patrons of the community and the surrounding area.

### **Oldest Existing Public Library in Nevada**

Pictured on the left is the original Tonopah Public Library constructed in 1905. The addition on the right opened in April, 2000 and serves the community of 2,771. The new library provides a children's area, public access computers and traditional library services. The original library is currently used for storage of historical materials and will be restored for a function to be determined.

The State Library was the only public library in Nevada from 1864 to 1904 and served as Carson City's public library until 1966. The public library constructed in 1904 in Reno is no longer in existence.

## WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Nancy Cummings, Library Director

Martha Greene, Project Director

**\$96,901**

FY 2006 Evaluation:

### Need for Project:

Support system wide materials replacement process

### How the need was determined:

Need was determined by polling selectors in all branches as to the most pressing need. There was agreement that replacing worn titles in children's series was the most important replacement need.

Children's series such as *Magic Tree House* and *Clifford* are very popular, get a lot of use and therefore become very worn.



### Types of materials purchased:

18 Children's series replacement orders were prepared and a total of just over \$21,000 was expended to buy new, clean copies of books in those series. All branches participated and all were extremely pleased with the results.

### Difference it made in Library service:

*Supplemental funding for three new branches.*

The Washoe County Library System has opened three new branches in the past three years. Construction costs were covered by a bond and a tax over-ride measure. However, materials allocations from the County's general fund were inadequate to supply all the new books, CD and DVD needed.

Need was determined by looking at empty spaces on the shelves of the beautiful, new branches. Staff in each of the three new branches determined the most important needs.

Our South Valleys branch used one third of their allocation to update their reference collection. Most of the rest of the dollars were used to buy do-it-yourself books and travel books. A small amount of money was used to purchase non-fiction audio books. Another third of the money was used to update the dated reference section

Over 400 circulating items and 40 reference books were purchased.

The branch manager said "The opening day collection for this library was seeded by a small collection from the former partnership library that served this area until the opening of South Valleys. These circumstances created a collection that is not yet large enough to serve our current patron base and also contains over 7,000 volumes that are old, worn and out of date. Funds were needed to begin to replace outdated materials and expand the collection." The branch manager reports that because the branch is surrounded by new homes the most popular topic is home improvement, followed by health, technology, school and business information. In part because of this grant patrons find what they want at the branch. New book checkout is up 42% over last year.



Spanish Springs branch concentrated on updating and enhancing the Mobile Library's collection

because that collection was merged with theirs. "In looking at the community, and combining



the collection for use by Mobile Library Services, the Spanish language books needed supplementing...we devoted most of our money to supplementing the collection for county patrons and the patrons in Spanish Springs." Having these items promotes reading and literacy in the communities served by ML.

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Our Incline Village branch weeded 8000 items from the collection before moving into the new branch in May of 2005. Need was determined by listening to comments from patrons. One large purchase was a set of the *Ingles sin Barreras* series. This is heavily used by the Latino community, many of whom work in the casinos and mansions in Incline Village's service area. The difference this one purchase makes is difficult to measure. Suffice it to say that it has already been checked out 4 times and it has only been in the branch since the end of May (check out period is three weeks). This branch would not have been able to purchase this set out of its regular materials budget.

The Incline branch now has an area to display NEW materials and circulation of those items has increased by 25%. Surveys of patrons reflect that they are now "very satisfied" with the materials offered. Overall circulation has increased by 31% which is an indication of the impact new materials in a new building has.



**Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:**

Having bright, shiny books for children is very important in encouraging them to look forward to using books and using the library. This in turn encourages literacy in these children

Spanish Springs Library: Promotion of reading and literacy in the communities served by the Mobile Library.

South Valleys Library: Having DIY books means owners of new homes can make the minor repairs themselves and save money.

Incline Branch: The purchase of a set of *Ingles sin Barreras* series means that Spanish speaking employees of casinos will be able to participate in community life more fully by becoming proficient in English.

**FY 2007 Plan:**

*Support materials replacement process, continuation form previous year.* Additional funding will be used to update and replenish collections within other County libraries identified as needing more up-to-date materials.

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*Support the traveling collection:* Funds will be utilized to increase the very popular traveling collection.

Downtown Reno Library



Incline Village Library



North Valleys Library



South Valleys Library



Spanish Springs Library



## White Pine County Library

Library Director and Project Director: Lori Romero

[www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/whitepine.htm](http://www.clan.lib.nv.us/polpac/library/clan/whitepine.htm)

**\$10,313**

### FY 2006 Evaluation:

#### Need for Project:

The purpose of the 2005-2006 project was to update and expand the collection in those areas selected as part of the collection evaluation process. The primary development areas were juvenile collection: general work, social service, physics, earth sciences and reference and the adult collection: agriculture, home economics & family living, collecting (stamps, coins, antiques etc.), renaissance, middle ages and reference.

#### How the need was determined:

Collection evaluation and development is an ongoing process. The continuous weeding process and subsequent evaluation of areas recently weeded assisted us in determining areas in need of additional or updated materials. Patron interviews, general observation of the collection both through items on the shelf and checked out are also taken into account in determining where the need is.

#### Type of materials purchased:

89 new items were added to the children's collection and 46 new items added to the adult's collection. The LearnATest Database that serves both children and adults was also subscribed to and 26 reference materials were purchased.



White Pine County Library

Twenty auto repair manuals were also purchased. The repair manuals can be hard to find and when found can be expensive. A local business matched 1 to 1 for each repair manual we purchased making the collection very extensive.

#### Difference it made in Library service:

The library staff is better able to meet the needs of our library users including research needs. The Interlibrary Loan requests are fewer since we have newer materials for our patrons to access.

#### Difference it made in the lives of those using the materials:

The collection development grant permitted the purchase of the LearnATest database that allows children and adults to practice test online. The tests range from basic math and English to ASVAB and career tests. Patrons appreciate the ability to practice the test and the fact that the tests are graded immediately.

There is nothing more inspiring than to have children come into the library to discover new books on the shelves or to help an adult find current information on a subject.

#### FY 2007 Plan:

Collection development funds will be spent to update or add to the library collections:

##### Juvenile:

General work  
Social service - saving the environment, recycling, etc.  
Physics  
Earth sciences

##### Adult:

Agriculture and animals, with emphasis on farming, animal genetics and raising  
Home economics and family living  
Collecting stamps, coins, antiques, etc.  
Renaissance, Middle Ages, French Revolution  
South America and Africa



**APPENDIX A:  
NRS 378.087**

**NRS 378.087 Powers and duties of state library and archives administrator: Establishment of program to provide grants to public libraries; amount of grants; regulations; limitations on use of grants.**

1. The state library and archives administrator shall establish a program to provide grants of money to the public libraries of this state for the purchase or acquisition of books, library materials and computer data bases. The money must be provided by legislative appropriation, accounted for separately and administered by the state library and archives administrator .

2. The state library and archives administrator shall, within the limits of legislative appropriation, provide such grants based on the following:

(a) If the requesting library has a budget for materials which is \$10,000 or less, the requesting library is eligible to receive a base grant of \$1,000, plus a matching grant in an amount that is not more than 75 percent of its budget for materials.

(b) If the requesting library has a budget for materials which is more than \$10,000 but less than \$75,000, the requesting library is eligible to receive a base grant of \$5,000, plus a matching grant in an amount that is not more than 50 percent of its budget for materials.

(c) If the requesting library has a budget for materials which is \$75,000 or more but less than \$150,000, the requesting library is eligible to receive a base grant of \$10,000, plus a matching grant in an amount that is not more than 33 1/3 percent of its budget for materials.

(d) If the requesting library has a budget for materials which is \$150,000 or more but less than \$500,000, the requesting library is eligible to receive a base grant of \$15,000, plus a matching grant in an amount that is not more than 25 percent of its budget for materials.

(e) If the requesting library has a budget for materials which is \$500,000 or more, the requesting library is eligible to receive a base grant of \$25,000, plus a matching grant in the first year it receives a grant pursuant to this paragraph in an amount that is not more than 10 percent of its budget for materials. The amount of the matching grant provided in any year may be increased by 10 percent in each succeeding year, except that in no event may the matching grant provided in any year exceed 25 percent of the library's budget for materials in that year.

3. The state library and archives administrator shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to:

(a) Establish a procedure pursuant to which a public library may apply to receive a grant pursuant to this section;

(b) Determine the eligibility of a public library to receive such a grant; and

(c) Determine the exact amount of a grant to be awarded to a public library.

4. Money granted pursuant to this section must not supplant or cause to be reduced any other source of funding for a public library and must be used exclusively by the public library to purchase or acquire books, library materials and computer data bases.

5. For the purposes of this section, "public library" does not include a library operated within the University and Community College System of Nevada.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 3252; A 1999, 663)

## APPENDIX B:

### GRANTS TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES FOR PURCHASE OR ACQUISITION OF BOOKS, LIBRARY MATERIALS AND COMPUTER DATA BASES

#### **NAC378.150 Application.** ([NRS 378.087](#))

1. To receive a grant for the purchase or acquisition of books, library materials and computer data bases pursuant to [NRS 378.087](#), a public library must apply annually to the state library and archives administrator on a form provided by the state library and archives administrator.

2. Each application submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must include:

(a) A brief description of the manner in which the requesting library will use the money from the grant.

(b) A statement from the requesting library certifying the amount of money that the library expended for books, library materials and computer data bases during the fiscal year which began 2 years before the date on which the fiscal year in which the money for the grant will be allocated began.

(c) A statement from the requesting library certifying that the library:

(1) Meets or exceeds the standards for public libraries established by the state library and archives administrator pursuant to subsection 1 of [NRS 378.083](#); or

(2) Has filed a plan with the state library and archives administrator for meeting the standards for public libraries established by the state library and archives administrator pursuant to subsection 1 of [NRS 378.083](#) within 5 years after the date on which the plan was filed.

(d) Statements from the library certifying that the library:

(1) Has not included any nonmonetary gifts or donations or money from the state or the Federal Government that it received during the fiscal year which began 2 years before the date on which the fiscal year in which the money for the grant will be allocated began in calculating its request for a matching grant;

(2) Will use the money from the grant exclusively for the purpose of purchasing or acquiring books, library materials and computer data bases; and

(3) Will not use the money from the grant to:

(I) Supplant any other source of money for the library; or

(II) Cause the reduction of any other source of money for the library.

(Added to NAC by Library & Archives Admin'r by R152-97, eff. 3-6-98)

**NAC 378.160 Eligibility.** ([NRS 378.087](#)) A library is eligible for a grant pursuant to [NRS 378.087](#) if the library:

1. Is a public library established pursuant to [NRS 379.010](#), [379.021](#), [379.0221](#) or [379.070](#) or section [2.310](#) of the North Las Vegas city charter; and

2. Submits the application required pursuant to [NAC 378.150](#).

(Added to NAC by Library & Archives Admin'r by R152-97, eff. 3-6-98)

#### **NAC 378.170 Determination of amount awarded.** ([NRS 378.087](#))

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the state library and archives administrator shall determine the exact amount of a grant to be awarded to each eligible library pursuant to the formula set forth in subsection 2 of [NRS 378.087](#).

2. If the appropriation of the legislature for grants is insufficient to provide the money necessary for the base grants requested by the eligible libraries, the state library and archives administrator will reduce the base grants for each eligible library by an equal percentage.

3. If the appropriation of the legislature for grants is insufficient to provide the money necessary for the matching grants requested by the eligible libraries, the state library and archives administrator will reduce the matching grants for each eligible library by an equal percentage.

(Added to NAC by Library & Archives Admin'r by R152-97, eff. 3-6-98)

## APPENDIX C:

### MINIMUM PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS FOR NEVADA

1. Library Board of Trustees shall operate by written by-laws adopted by the Board and submitted to the County Commission or City Council/Supervisors.
2. The Library Board of Trustees shall have a written masterplan of service covering five years and update it every two years (NRS 379.003).
3. The Library Board of Trustees shall adopt written policies for the operation of the library including, but not limited to, selection of materials and request for reconsideration; personnel; facility use; interlibrary loan; circulation; public Internet access; collection development; and confidentiality.
4. Public libraries shall spend a minimum of 10% of the total locally funded budgets for books and materials selected to meet community needs.
5. Public libraries shall provide a basic reference collection in conformance with guidelines adopted by the State Council on Libraries and Literacy.
6. The Library Board of Trustees shall present to the Nevada State Library and Archives (NSLA) a written annual report, which includes an annual operating budget and shall participate in the annual FSCS public library statistics program through NSLA.
7. Public libraries serving a population of 2500 or less shall have a Library Director who has a Master's Degree in Library Science from an ALA accredited institution or holds the credential of Certified Librarian from the State of Nevada. Public libraries serving a population of 2500 to 50,000 shall require an MLS or State of Nevada certification credential for at least one position performing each of the following duties: administration (Head Librarian or Director), reference, and children's. Public libraries serving a population of 50,000 or more shall require a certified MLS for at least one position performing each of the following duties: Director, Reference Librarian and Children's Librarian.
8. All public library systems serving populations of 300 or more shall be open a minimum of twenty hours per week and shall offer some night and/or weekend hours. All libraries shall publicize services, hours of opening, borrowing rules, location and telephone numbers.
9. All public libraries shall have a library building which meets community needs, including adequate space, lighting, shelving, seating, access by persons with disabilities and adequate public restroom facilities.
10. All public libraries shall have the facilities, equipment and staff necessary to enable the public to access information, including information available through the Internet and other relevant electronic media.
11. Public libraries not meeting one or more of the above standards, shall develop a plan for coming into compliance as part of their local five year masterplan submitted to NSLA and the State Council on Libraries and Literacy.
12. Public libraries shall participate in the state-wide interlibrary loan program *Information Nevada* and reciprocal borrowing programs. Public libraries shall extend to Nevada library card holders the same lending privileges received by their card holders. Nevada card holders will not be charged a non-resident fee when borrowing from any Nevada public library

Amended 02/08/2002

## APPENDIX D:

## NEVADA PUBLIC LIBRARIES' STATISTICS FISCAL YEAR 2005

LIBRARY	POPULATION	PHYSICAL SITES	REGISTERED BORROWERS	EMPLOYEES (FTE)	CIRCULATION	USERS OF ELECTRONIC RESOURCES	
						WEEKLY	ANNUALLY
Amargosa Valley Library District	1,383	1	734	2	10,783	35	1,820
Beatty Library District	1,032	1	768	1	4,940	49	2,548
Boulder City Library District	15,203	1	10,406	14	143,287	271	14,092
Carson City Library	57,104	1	32,151	23	365,900	650	33,800
Churchill County Library	26,585	1	11,632	6	159,914	200	10,400
Douglas County Library	50,108	2	25,837	15	198,506	1,105	57,460
Elko-Lander-Eureka Library System	54,580	11	20,535	24	225,078	318	16,536
Esmeralda County Libraries	1,276	3	395	2	6,370	10	520
Henderson District Public Libraries	243,897	4	60,509	68	907,082	2,953	153,556
Humboldt County Library	17,293	3	8,600	8	171,281	490	25,480
Las Vegas-Clark County Library District	1,357,061	24	572,460	484	10,765,688	73,863	3,840,876
Lincoln County Library	3,886	3	2,837	4	25,655	80	4,160
Lyon County Library	48,860	5	17,475	12	162,093	589	30,628
Mineral County Library	4,629	2	2,877	3	33,705	101	5,252
North Las Vegas Library District	180,219	2	79,546	18	215,041	1,065	55,380
Pahrump Library District	34,100	1	20,562	9	115,113	276	14,352
Pershing County Library	6,736	1	3,381	4	29,255	103	5,356
Smoky Valley Library District	1,868	2	1,446	7	39,759	122	6,344
Storey County Public Library	4,012	1	993	1	5,961	71	3,692
Tonopah Library District	2,607	1	1,557	1	58,588	69	3,588
Washoe County Library	396,844	13	148,455	174	1,982,306	3,736	194,272
White Pine County Library	9,275	1	4,004	4	30,646	259	13,468
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2,518,558</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1,027,160</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>15,656,951</b>	<b>86,415</b>	<b>4,493,580</b>

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NEVADA PUBLIC LIBRARIES' STATISTICS FISCAL YEAR 2005**

LIBRARY	TOTAL*		TOTAL*		COLLECTION		COLLECTION		PER CAPITA HOLDINGS
	OPERATING EXPENDITURES	LOCAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES	LOCAL COLLECTION EXPENDITURES	LOCAL COLLECTION EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES PER CAPITA	EXPENDITURES PER CAPITA	TOTAL HOLDINGS	TOTAL HOLDINGS	
Amargosa Valley Library District	\$98,392	\$97,392	\$13,627	\$13,627	\$9.85	\$9.85	15,028	15,028	10.87
Beatty Library District	\$51,991	\$47,822	\$5,568	\$5,568	\$5.40	\$5.40	17,160	17,160	16.63
Boulder City Library District	\$1,320,144	\$1,306,499	\$120,793	\$120,793	\$7.95	\$7.95	87,878	87,878	5.78
Carson City Library	\$1,520,269	\$1,516,532	\$140,341	\$140,341	\$2.46	\$2.46	121,817	121,817	2.13
Churchill County Library	\$479,086	\$473,886	\$68,703	\$68,703	\$2.58	\$2.58	95,887	95,887	3.61
Douglas County Library	\$1,200,995	\$1,195,772	\$138,459	\$138,459	\$2.76	\$2.76	120,710	120,710	2.41
Elko-Lander-Eureka Library System	\$1,151,278	\$1,046,156	\$155,488	\$155,488	\$2.85	\$2.85	163,198	163,198	2.99
Esmeralda County Libraries	\$53,841	\$52,231	\$6,515	\$6,515	\$5.11	\$5.11	21,794	21,794	17.08
Henderson District Public Libraries	\$5,519,940	\$5,476,854	\$801,986	\$801,986	\$3.29	\$3.29	306,383	306,383	1.26
Humboldt County Library	\$695,277	\$673,777	\$87,902	\$87,902	\$5.08	\$5.08	77,329	77,329	4.47
Las Vegas-Clark County Library District	\$41,781,205	\$41,291,785	\$8,329,535	\$8,329,535	\$6.14	\$6.14	2,289,534	2,289,534	1.69
Lincoln County Library	\$73,446	\$60,709	\$3,533	\$3,533	\$0.91	\$0.91	50,976	50,976	13.12
Lyon County Library	\$738,741	\$683,741	\$101,084	\$101,084	\$2.07	\$2.07	106,716	106,716	2.18
Mineral County Library	\$196,854	\$193,581	\$23,255	\$23,255	\$5.02	\$5.02	43,616	43,616	9.42
North Las Vegas Library District	\$1,794,994	\$1,758,702	\$177,573	\$177,573	\$0.99	\$0.99	118,464	118,464	0.66
Pahrump Library District	\$301,038	\$301,038	\$35,760	\$35,760	\$1.05	\$1.05	53,809	53,809	1.58
Pershing County Library	\$252,910	\$248,758	\$20,730	\$20,730	\$3.08	\$3.08	29,854	29,854	4.43
Smoky Valley Library District	\$360,464	\$360,464	\$51,502	\$51,502	\$27.57	\$27.57	43,538	43,538	23.31
Storey County Public Library	\$80,366	\$80,366	\$6,828	\$6,828	\$1.70	\$1.70	16,902	16,902	4.21
Tonopah Library District	\$82,171	\$80,990	\$2,679	\$2,679	\$1.03	\$1.03	10,612	10,612	4.07
Washoe County Library	\$11,276,378	\$11,120,926	\$1,129,159	\$1,129,159	\$2.85	\$2.85	919,721	919,721	2.32
White Pine County Library	\$249,270	\$243,878	\$16,981	\$16,981	\$1.83	\$1.83	36,828	36,828	3.97
<i>*Excluding Capital Outlay</i>	\$69,279,050	\$68,311,859	\$11,438,001	\$11,438,001	\$4.54	\$4.54	4,747,754	4,747,754	1.89

## APPENDIX E:

## NEVADA PUBLIC LIBRARIES COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

Library	1995 Legislative Funding (FY 1996)*	1997 Legislative Funding (FY 1998-99)	1999 Legislative Funding (FY 2000-01)	2001 Legislative Funding (FY 2002-03)	2005 Legislative Funding (FY 2006-07)	TOTAL Legislative Funding (FY 1996-2007)
Carson City	39,500	104,894	45,227	61,827	41,424	292,872
Churchill County	20,835	72,474	34,463	39,478	26,310	193,560
CLARK COUNTY						
Boulder City	*	91,026	44,608	53,352	37,482	226,468
Henderson	*	209,740	75,070	75,943	75,344	436,097
LV-CCLD	*	829,042	382,565	445,417	636,281	2,293,305
North Las Vegas	*	80,681	37,903	54,768	44,146	217,498
Douglas County	53,172	99,422	47,332	46,223	40,625	286,774
Elko-Lander-Eureka	33,165	85,547	48,333	53,694	43,103	263,842
Esmeralda County	2,705	13,126	6,166	7,143	4,258	33,398
Humboldt County	27,933	85,559	37,277	40,615	29,184	220,568
Lincoln County	500	5,108	2,104	5,718	2,330	15,760
Lyon County	18,134	47,406	28,893	34,236	31,586	160,255
Mineral County	8,750	28,410	12,000	14,225	12,402	75,787
NYE COUNTY						
Amargosa Valley	3,589	18,045	6,724	10,872	8,516	47,746
Beatty	7,587	15,128	12,937	8,221	3,706	47,579
Gabbs**	2,291	5,288	0	0	0	7,579
Pahrump	6,061	29,167	13,780	28,052	16,022	93,082
Smoky Valley	10,213	33,184	17,673	21,790	18,513	101,373
Topopah	2,000	3,520	1,294	1,981	1,449	10,244
Pershing County	9,439	28,491	14,560	12,667	10,934	76,091
Storey County	1,548	7,766	4,350	1,401	7,161	22,226
Washoe County	*	241,550	113,852	147,567	96,901	599,870
White Pine County	2,578	19,401	11,784	11,117	10,313	55,193
TOTALS	250,000	2,154,065	997,211	1,178,308	1,197,990	5,777,574

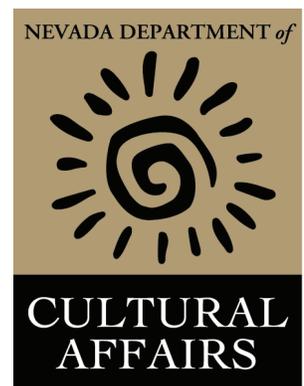
\* First grant was specified for the rural areas only.

\*\* No longer a public library





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