

Improving SC Libraries Through Targeted Federal Funding

The South Carolina State Library received \$2,178,176 in Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) FY02 allotment funds to support public libraries and statewide library initiatives for the period October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2003.

Only projects that fulfilled the purpose of LSTA and those that addressed an objective in the South Carolina Five-Year State Plan were considered for funding. The purpose of LSTA is to:

- *To stimulate excellence and promote access to learning and information resources in all types of libraries for individuals of all ages;*
- *To promote library services that provide all users access to information through State, regional, national and international electronic networks;*
- *To provide linkages among and between libraries; and*
- *To promote targeted library services to people of diverse geographic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds, to individuals with disabilities, and to people with limited functional literacy or information skills.*

FY 02 allotment funds supplemented state and local funding to make many improvements possible for the delivery of library and information services to South Carolinians of all ages and backgrounds.

44 public libraries and 4 special libraries received LSTA funding totaling \$684,864 for 48 individual library projects. Combined with LSTA funding of 17 State Library statewide initiatives, the total FY02 LSTA allotment supplemented 65 library development projects.

FY02 LSTA Allotment Expenditures Summary for South Carolina

Public Library Grants

Number of Libraries Submitting	29	Total Libraries Receiving Grants	26
Number of Project Applications	48	Total Number of Project Grants Funded	44
Total Requested	\$864,532	Total Awarded	\$640,725

Special Library Grants

Number of Libraries Submitting	4	Total Libraries Receiving Grants	4
Number of Project Applications	4	Total Number of Project Grants Funded	4
Total Requested	\$69,000	Total Awarded	\$44,139

State Library Statewide Library Development Initiative Grants

Number of Libraries Submitting	1	Total Libraries Receiving Grants	1
Number of Project Applications	17	Total Number of Project Grants Funded	17
Total Requested	\$1,493,312	Total Awarded	\$1,493,312

Investigating Thin-Client Technology: Richland County Library Automation Project	Richland County Public Library	\$19,631							
LSTA Program Administration Cost Recoveries	South Carolina State Library	\$19,740							
Advocating for Libraries through Public Relations and Marketing: SC State Library Initiatives	South Carolina State Library	\$75,870							
Children & Youth Services in SC Libraries: Developing the State's Most Important Citizens	South Carolina State Library	\$33,944							
Delivering Library & Information Services to Special Needs Populations in South Carolina	South Carolina State Library	\$191,773							
Developing & Preserving Collections Statewide	South Carolina State Library	\$327,898							
Enriching Library Services to Children: South Carolina's "100 Picture Books" Project	South Carolina State Library	\$30,361							
Improving Library Services to All South Carolinians: Trustee Board Training	South Carolina State Library	\$15,782							
Improving South Carolina's Public Libraries: CE Grants	South Carolina State Library	\$3,382							
Improving Statewide Library Services Through Staff Development & Training	South Carolina State Library	\$27,631							
Improving Statewide Library Services: Staff Development and Training for SCSL	South Carolina State Library	\$19,689							
Providing Access Through Technology	South Carolina State Library	\$559,852							
Providing Information Services to South Carolinians Through Local Libraries	South Carolina State Library	\$98,039							
Supporting SC Public Libraries: SC State Library Initiatives	South Carolina State Library	\$138,876							
A New Story Caravan for Spartanburg County Library	Spartanburg County Library	\$22,864							
Succession Planning for Improved Delivery of Services: Spartanburg County Library	Spartanburg County Library	\$11,500							
Providing Service to Underserved and Rural Populations: Sumter County	Sumter County Library	\$25,000							

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The SC Literary Arts Partnership: The Humanities Council, SC	The Humanities Council, S.C.	\$35,512	
Automation Upgrade and Expansion of Services: York County Library	York County Library	\$79,000	
Long Range Facilities Study: York County Library	York County Library	\$10,000	
REACH—Resources for EARly CHildhood: York County Library	York County Library	\$20,000	