

bring the world to them. With our continued county budget constraints, we had to drastically reduce our print and a/v budget. Thankfully we could still provide patrons with the items that they requested."

Glacier County Library - "We used a portion of our money to assist in covering the costs of MontanaLibrary2Go since our service area is so rural and we serve an area of 3,037 sq. miles. This helps to broaden our services and make them available to those who have to travel many miles to reach an actual library building. This assists us in providing equitable services to our patrons."

Dutton/Teton Public Library - "The staff and I had been limping our computer along, trying to have it last as long as possible, but every day it seemed to add one more little problem. After a particularly very busy day at the library I found myself completetung the arduous drawn out process that the computer needed to complete almost every task and I thought "ENOUGH!" How was I expecting to help our patrons with technology if our own computer didn't work!?! And it certainly did not instill any confidence in us as a library! So, we purchased a new staff computer and we love it! It is so much easier to help others when you have the tools to do so! Our library would have never been able to purchase the new staff computer without the federation funds. We are very thankful!"

Toole County Library - "This database enables our community of patrons the ability to download books to their devices at no cost."

Toole County Library - "OCLC is important to our library community in that we have access to material that we either cannot afford or have room to store. Borrowing and loaning is imperative to a healthy library."

Toole County Library - "Our branch library in Sunburst uses a library automation system that fits the needs of her community. She can keep track of her circulation and can collect data with this system."

Valier Public Library - "We are putting computers in the new addition for adult use."

Valier Public Library - "OCLC provides us with our cataloging needs. It also provides Interlibrary loans for items we do not have in house."

Havre-Hill County Library - "We spent over \$2500 on postage for Interlibrary Loans in FY2019, this money helped offset the cost to the library. We rely on Interlibrary Loans to help broaden our collection, especially the nonfiction collection. With Interlibrary Loan we are able to offer our patrons access to a much larger collection than we could ever afford, or physically house in the library. Interlibrary Loan helps us save money, and leaves us more space for people to gather and chat around the periodicals, have meetings for local organizations, and for library programming."

Liberty County Library - "Used it to pay for the shared catalog expense".

Blaine County Library - "OCLC allows us to catalog items not in the MSC and enables resource sharing with other libraries through ILL."

Blaine County Library - "These funds were used to purchase wireless patron counters. This technology will enable the library to report a more accurate count of the number of patrons using the library."

Blaine County Library - "This money was used to renew licenses for Malware Bytes protection for our computers."

Harlem Public Library - "The library replaced a patron computer with a new one as well as a new, larger monitor. Updating our computers helps our patrons have technology to use that is faster and more reliable. Plus the new computer will eliminate the need for staff to spend time working on computer issues."

Harlem Public Library - "OCLC membership allows our library to access materials from other libraries for our patrons using Inter Library Loans. This provides a wealth of materials that we would not be able to purchase on our limited budget. OCLC also provided cataloging assistance."

Harlem Public Library - "The library purchased the annual subscription to Trend Micro Security for the staff computers to ensure the computers are protected."

Harlem Public Library - "The annual website hosting fee from WIX so the library can have a website."

This is used to promote the library services and programs and to inform the public concerning hours, programs, etc."

Program 4 - Community Outreach

Narrative

Funds for this program are used to support outreach and marketing to the community with the hope of increasing awareness of libraries and their value. Examples of acceptable spending in this category include, but are not limited to: costs associated with summer reading programs, homebound services, books by mail, and any promotional materials.

Desired outcomes:

- Libraries communicate their value
- Libraries continue to grow
- Libraries reach beyond their walls to be viable, vibrant, and vivacious parts of their communities

Desired impacts:

- Montana citizens understand the value of libraries and the actual costs of library services

Public Value

2 Libraries chose "Libraries communicate their value".

1 Library chose "Libraries continue to grow".

2 Libraries chose "Libraries reach beyond their walls to be viable, vibrant, and vivacious parts of their communities".

How Spent

2 Libraries spent \$104.00 on "Library marketing such as materials or advertising".

1 Library spent \$77.97 on "Library programming costs".

2 Libraries spent \$69.75 on "Travel costs for library programs held outside the library".

Stories

Glacier County Library - "We implemented the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten in April. We used this money to purchase posters, bookmarks, stickers and reading records, etc. for both the Cut Bank and Browning libraries. We have promoted the program on Facebook and the in the local newspaper. We have had good participation and wonderful, positive feedback from our patrons, and those outside of the library."

Harlem Public Library - "The assistant librarian travels to the nearby community of Turner to present the Books and Babies program the first Wednesday of each month when weather permits. For this trip she also visited the Turner School and registered 16 junior high and high school students for Montanalibrary2go. This amount reflects the mileage costs for her travel."

Harlem Public Library - "The Harlem Public Library purchased a vinyl 3' x 5' banner from a local business to use in outreach, promotions, and marketing. This spring it was displayed at the Fort Belknap Midwinter Fair. In the past we had placed an advertisement in the Midwinter Fair Book, but this year the committee decided to go "paperless" and had organizations and business display banners instead. The banner we purchased can be used for other promotional and marketing outside the library walls such as the Montana Seed Show, the Winter Showcase at the elementary school, and other community events."

Harlem Public Library - "The assistant librarian is in charge of the Books and Babies program which is provided weekly for infants and toddlers at the library site. But, once per month she travels to a local community, Turner, to provide a Books and Babies program for the little ones there. This is a service parents appreciate as it is difficult for them to travel with children. As an added bonus, the parents check out books for the children or she acts a courier delivering books to people of the community who cannot make it to the library."

Harlem Public Library - "The library has usually put an ad in the MidWinter Fair Book for the local Ft. Belknap Indian Agency event. This year the MidWinter Fair Committee wanted to eliminate paper usage

and asked entities to display a promotional banner instead. The library had a 3' x 5' banner made at a local business and purchased a display space. The banner can be used for promotion at other events."

Program 5 - Building Planning

Narrative

Funds used in this program support the costs of planning for the best use of space directly related to federation-wide activities. Costs may include, but are not limited to: consultant fees and travel, design models, wireless feasibility studies and cost analysis for designing areas.

Desired outcomes:

- Libraries can hire professional assistance for building consultation and evaluation
- Library buildings are designed to be safe, inclusive, comfortable, inspirational places to provide services
- Libraries are community meeting places where all community members have access to a welcoming public space

Desired impacts:

- People come together for learning, networking, community problem-solving, socializing, food, fun, or whatever's needed

Public Value

How Spent

Stories

Program 6 - Admin Costs

Narrative

Several administrative functions are centralized at the State Library, but Federation members may want to authorize a stipend (of not more than \$1,000) to the federation coordinator. Federations may also allocate funds to pay for communication costs, travel, and supplies.

Desired outcome:

- Federation coordinator has the resources to handle the logistical duties required of running a federation
- Member libraries can focus on other services that directly benefit patrons

Public Value

4 Libraries chose "Federation coordinator has the resources to handle the logistical duties required of running a federation".

How Spent

- 1 Library spent \$12.00 on "Communication (used to defray phone, etc)".
- 1 Library spent \$372.00 on "Coordinator stipend".
- 1 Library spent \$576.00 on "Mileage for meetings".
- 1 Library spent \$40.00 on "Supplies".

Stories

Blaine County Library - "This money was used to travel to Helena for the Commission meeting and to Federation meetings."

Blaine County Library - "This amount was used to defray the cost of contacting libraries about getting reports done."

Blaine County Library - "This was the cost for copies and postage to mail proposed Bylaw revisions and

other Federation business."

Blaine County Library - "Compensation to the coordinator for hours spent administering Pathfinder business."

EXPENDITURES BY LIBRARY

Library	Status	Total Award	Award Expenses
Belt Public Library	Active	\$2,141.25	\$2,141.25
Blaine County Library	Active	\$3,141.29	\$3,141.29
Choteau/Teton Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Chouteau County Library	Active	\$2,640.61	\$2,640.61
Conrad Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Dutton/Teton Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Fairfield/Teton Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Glacier County Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Great Falls Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Harlem Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Havre-Hill County Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Liberty County Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Toole County Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Valier Public Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
Wedsworth Memorial Library	Active	\$2,141.29	\$2,141.29
	Totals:	\$33,618.63	\$33,618.63