2014 Digital Literacy Grants

The Digital Literacy project aims to provide funding to public, academic, college, tribal and school libraries to implement pilot projects that support Digital Literacy projects in the community.

Grant Number: 14-DL-002 Award: \$4,856.00 Organization: North Central Regional Library Title: Make it NOW! 3-D Printer Project Abstract: The Make It NOW! 3-D printer project will provide programs for teens to learn about and create objects using a 3 -D printer. Grant Number: 14-DL-004 Award: \$7,500.00 Organization: Pierce County Library System Title: Microsoft IT Academy Open Labs Abstract: Once funding is awarded, the Library will launch activites and promotion aimed at reaching the target audience. Grant Number: 14-DL-005 Award: \$5,780.00 Organization: Mount Vernon City Library Title: TECH VISTAS-Computer Skills for a Richer Life Abstract: The desired outcome is for the paricipants to meet a basic level of competence with the computer skills as outlined in the class schedule. Grant Number: 14-DL-006 \$600.00 Award: Organization: Nisqually Indian Tribe Title: Tribal Capacity Building Through Targeted Digital Literacy Classes Abstract: Grant Number: 14-DL-007 Award: \$6,804.00 Organization: Walla Walla County Rural Library District Title: Walla Walla Digital Literacy Abstract: The success of the overall grant will be determined through several mechanisms. Sustained or increased attendance at Tech Night programs will be one indicator. Grant Number: 14-DL-008 Award: \$7,483.00 Organization: Spokane Public Library Title: econmoic Development and Growth through a Diverse Digital Landscape Abstract: Providing access and trainig to video editing and presentation software allows the library to communicte digitally with our busines community in a way we haven't before. It also expands digital learning opportunities for our patrons. Grant Number: 14-DL-010 Award: \$7,465.00 Organization: Ellensburg Public Library Title: Bridging the Digital Divide In Ellensburg Abstract: Bridging the Digital Divide in Ellensburg will meet digital literacy needs within Kittitas County's Latino community. Grant Number: 14-DL-011 Award: \$7,000.00 Organization: Nooksack Indian Tribe Title: Eleder Techonogy Plan Abstract: The Nooksack Indian Tribe has na Elder's Program with and average of 40 consistent particiapnts who are 65 years of age and older and reside in the Watcom County. The 90% of those tribal elders do not have computers and/or the basic computer skills but would like to learn.

Grant Number: 14-DL-013 Organization: Ritzville Public Library Award:

\$6,121.00

Title: Get Digitally Lit in Adams County

Abstract: We plan to purchase eight laptops and take them to various locations in our service area for monthly workshops over a nine month period.

Grant Number: 14-DL-016 Award: \$7,500.00

Organization: Libraries of Stevens County

Title: Libraries of Stevens County Digital Petting Zoo

Abstract: The Libraries of Stevens County serves one of the most remote and digitally unserved areas in Washington State. Only about one third of all households have access to broadband in the home and fewer can afford to actually have it installed. Access to the wide range of technology and information is getting further and further from them. Things like apps, Twitter accounts, and chat rooms are standard fare for everything from medical information to how elected officials share information. Library staff want to try to bridge some portion of this digital divide by helping people make educated choices about divices that meet their specific needs and broadband limitations.

Grant Number: 14-DL-017 Award: \$7,450.00

Organization: Seattle Central Community College

Title: Digital Literacy as a Metaliteracy: Engaging College Faculty for Curriculum Next Steps

Award:

Abstract: As a cummunity and technical college, whenever our crurriculum includes technology literacy or information literacy, we are helping our students develop skills that make them more employable. For students, digital literacy is a complex set of skills that involves using tools and manipulating content in varied online inviornments. Students typically develop digital literacy by applying its consitute skills in the contxt of othe rclassroom learning.

Grant Number: 14-DL-018

\$6,500.00

Organization: Columbia County Rural Library District

Title: eCommerce Incubator

Abstract: The eComerce Incubator is only one of many projects we plan to initiate in our Idea Hatchery. This particular project is geared toward persons in our community who would like to start an Internet based business or would like to enhance their current on-line presence.