VII. State Librarian’s Report
A.4 New Grant Projects – information item

Get Involved: Powered by Your Library

Get Involved: Powered by Your Library is a collaborative proposal of state libraries of California, Idaho, Arizona and Texas, and the non-profit VolunteerMatch, with lead applicant Pacific Library Partnership. The proposed timeframe for this planning grant is October 2014 through September 2015.

Two ICfL staff members and two public library representatives will provide input for implementation steps and results of Get Involved efforts in California, and more recently, in Idaho, and will then provide input for creating a variety of Get Involved project designs that could enable feasible and effective implementation in differing state situations.

Sue Walker, Consultant, is the administrator for this grant.

Blue Cross Foundation, $5,000.00

The Commission will be working with up to 35 Idaho public libraries in 2014-2015 to introduce the new EatPlayGrow curriculum to parents of preschoolers in an effort to help them make healthier choices. Healthy habits start at home and families play a critical role in forming healthy habits in their children from the early years and beyond.

EatPlayGrow was developed by the Children’s Museum of Manhattan in partnership with the National Institutes of Health. The curriculum addresses healthy habits in a format that librarians are comfortable presenting and parents and young children find engaging. ICfL will adapt curriculum materials to include information from the High Five Idaho Children’s Health Collaborative, including promoting the “Daily Do’s” and other resources from Color Me Healthy provided by the Blue Cross Foundation of Idaho.

Stephanie Bailey-White, Project Coordinator for Read to Me, is the administrator for this grant.