

**VI. GENERAL, MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE, & LIBRARY SERVICES IMPROVEMENT FUNDS****C. Kindergarten Readiness Grant Applications Received – Information Item**

The “Kindergarten Readiness” grant pilot program, which is funded with \$60,000 from our FY2020 state appropriation, has three goals:

1. Ensure that more Idaho four-year-olds and their families have public library cards to gain access to the tools and resources needed to help children succeed in school.
2. Increase the amount of early literacy activities done in the homes of four-year-olds across the state (including use of Smarty Ants™, Tumblebooks™, and other early learning resources).
3. Increase the number of successful public library, school, and community partnerships aimed at third-grade reading proficiency.

We received 22 applications totaling \$157,250. Public libraries could apply for grants up to \$10,000. Partnership with the school district and/or other community organizations is required. Projects must include a tool to measure the success and impact of the activities. Interim and final reports of progress toward program goals are also required, and the data will be used to evaluate the pilot.

<b>Awarded Applicants</b>	
<b>Library Name</b>	<b>Award</b>
American Falls District Library	\$10,000
Cascade Public Library	\$5,000
Community Library Network, Hayden Branch	\$10,000
Jerome Public Library	\$7,500
Lemhi County District Library, Salmon Branch	\$10,000
Nampa Public Library	\$10,000
Prairie River Library District, Lapwai Branch	\$7,500
<b>7 Grantees</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>

<b>Applicants not funded</b>	
<b>Library Name</b>	<b>Request</b>
Ada Community Library	\$10,000
Coeur d’Alene Public Library	\$3,750
Garden City Public Library	\$5,000
Gooding Public Library	\$5,000
Grace District Library	\$10,000
Hailey Public Library	\$10,000
Jefferson County District Library, Hamer Branch	\$1,000
Jefferson County District Library, Menan Annis	\$7,500
Kellogg Public Library	\$5,000
Kuna Library District	\$2,500
Lizard Butte District Library	\$10,000
Meridian District Library	\$5,000
Middleton Public Library	\$10,000

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Portneuf District Library	\$5,000
Twin Falls Public Library	\$7,500
<b>15 Requests</b>	<b>\$97,250</b>