

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

The Kindergarten Readiness Grant program is funded at \$60,000 annually from the agency's state general fund appropriation. The subgrant program has three goals:

1. Ensure that more Idaho 4-year-olds and their families have public library cards to gain access to the tools and resources needed to help children succeed in school, especially for families with limited access to preschool programming or who are not regular library users.
2. Increase the amount of early literacy activities done in the homes of 4-year-olds across the state.
3. Increase the number of successful public library, school, and community partnerships that increase third grade reading proficiency by focusing on pre-kindergarten experiences, especially for underserved children.

This year, the ICfL staff received 12 applications totaling \$60,000, and no applications were declined. Public libraries can 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. ICfL staff meet with each grant recipient at least once during the fall to help ensure projects meet best practices standards, measurement tool(s) are sound, and budgets are reasonable and accurate.

Library Name	Award	Evaluation and Status
Aberdeen District Library	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Benewah County District Library, Tri-Community	\$2,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Cascade Public Library	\$3,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Gooding Public Library	\$2,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Oneida District Library	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Rockland School/Community Library	\$1,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Bonneville County District Library	\$10,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Caldwell Public Library	\$10,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Hansen District Library	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved

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Jefferson County District Library, Menan Annis Branch	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Lewiston City Library	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
West Bonner Library District, Priest River Branch	\$7,000	Staff Reviewed and Approved
Total Awards		
	\$60,000	