

IV. Federal Fund**C.1. Grants – Library Services and Technology Act Continuing Education Grant Applications Received – Information item****Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Continuing Education Grant applications from December 1, 2023, to January 31, 2024**

Libraries apply on a continuous basis for Continuing Education Grants funded with Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) dollars. CE activities must support an identified need that is consistent with one of the following goals:

- Fund continuing education opportunities to enhance the skills of the current library workforce and advance the delivery of library and information services.
- Fund continuing education activities in the areas of first-time conference attendance, library science course enrollment, leadership development courses, and group training activities.
- Build the institutional capacity of libraries to best serve their communities.

Grant award amounts are based on the estimated expenses submitted in an application. Funds – up to the amount of the award – are disbursed after the continuing education activity is completed and receipts are submitted. The total awarded will typically exceed the total disbursed.

Continuing Education Grant Applicant and Project	LSTA Request	Evaluation and Status
Cascade Public Library – CE 24-27 Library Science Course "Information Science and Technology" course, University of Alabama Maria Guest	\$990	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Library District – CE 24-28 Leadership Development Activity Project Management Program, Boise State University Audra Green	\$1,250	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Library District – CE 24-29 Library Science Course "Community Needs Analysis" and "Research in Library and Information Science" courses, Emporia State University Jane Olsen	\$1,250	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Library District – CE 24-30 Library Science Course "Organization of Information" and "Creativity in Libraries" courses, Emporia State University Jen Tiedtke	\$1,250	Staff reviewed and approved

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Boundary County Library – CE 24-31 First-Time Conference Attendance Public Library Association Annual Conference 2024 Lynn Silva	\$1,125	Staff reviewed and approved
Latah County Library District – CE 24-32 First-Time Conference Attendance Public Library Association Annual Conference 2024 Katie Bouchard	\$1,125	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Library District – CE 24-33 Group Training Activity Children’s Book Festival District Staff	\$5,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Caldwell Public Library First-Time Conference Attendance Public Library Association Annual Conference 2024 Michael Ireland	\$1,125	Staff reviewed and approved
CE Grants awarded since 12/1/2023	\$13,115	8 grants
Total CE Grant budget for FY24	\$45,000	
Total CE Grants awarded for FY24	\$43,894.85	34 grants
Remaining FY24 budget available to award	\$1,105.15	
Total CE Grant funds disbursed in FY24	\$21,007.49	19 grants
Breakdown of FY24 Continuing Education Grants (Awarded)		Percentage of Total
Grant Type	Amount	Awards
First-Time Conference Grants	\$18,663.85	43%
Library Science Course Grants	\$10,398	24%
Group Training Grants	\$13,231	30%
Leadership Development Grants	\$1,602	3%