

IV. Federal Fund

C.2. Grants – American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) Grant Applications Received – Information item

The Idaho Commission for Libraries received federal American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) funds to distribute to Idaho libraries. The purpose of this funding is to help entities address unfinished learning in their communities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The ICfL is investing this \$1.25 million over two years, offering [grants and resources](#) for libraries to support learners in grades K-12. This is the second year of the following grant opportunities:

- **Out-of-School Time (OST) Planning Grants** of up to \$15,000 for library systems or school districts to strategically develop services and programs for youth.
- **Out-of-School Time (OST) Programming Grants** of up to \$3,000 for library locations to use research-based best practices in programming with youth.
- **Summer Learning Strategies Grants** of up to \$20,000 for library systems to use research-based strategies to build high-quality summer learning programs that align with the library’s mission and strategic plan.
- **Summer Support Grants** of \$2,000 for libraries to enhance current summer learning or summer reading programs.
- **Summer School Library Grants** of up to \$7,000 for school libraries to remain open during the summer months.

The ICfL has awarded a total of \$389,000 in ARP ESSER grants in fiscal year 2024. OST Planning, OST Programming, and Summer Learning Strategies grant applications and awards were covered during the December 7, 2023, Idaho Board of Library Commissioners Regular Meeting and detailed in [Board Document 24-29](#). Summer Support Grants and Summer School Library Grants were awarded in early December 2023 and are detailed below.

Awarded ARP ESSER Grant Applicants		
Summer Support Grant		
Library	Amount Awarded	Status
Ada Community Library – Connect	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Ada Community Library – Lake Hazel	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Ada Community Library – Victory	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Armoral Tuttle Public Library (New Plymouth)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Bonneville County Library District – Ammon	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Bonneville County Library District – Iona	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved

Bonneville County Library District – Swan Valley	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Bonneville County Library District – Westside	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Boundary County Library (Bonners Ferry)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Buhl Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Camelot Elementary School – Lewiston School District	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Challis Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Clearwater Memorial Public Library (Orofino)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
DeMary Memorial Library (Rupert)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Emmett Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Garden City Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Glenns Ferry Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Grangeville Centennial Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Hagerman Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Hansen Community Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Idaho Falls Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Larsen-Sant Public Library (Preston)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Latah County Library District – Moscow	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Lewiston City Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Patricia Romanko Public Library (Parma)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Payette Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Portneuf District Library (Chubbuck)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
South Bannock Library District (Downey)	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
South Hills Middle School – Twin Falls School District	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved

Weiser Public Library	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
West Bonner Library District – Priest River	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Wood River Middle School (Hailey) – Blaine County School District	\$2,000	Staff reviewed and approved
32 Summer Support Grant Awards	\$64,000	
Summer School Library Grant		
Library	Amount Awarded	Status
Bellevue Elementary (Hailey) – Blaine County School District	\$6,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Grace High School – Grace School District	\$7,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Pepper Ridge Elementary School – West Ada School District	\$7,000	Staff reviewed and approved
Ponderosa Elementary School – West Ada School District	\$7,000	Staff reviewed and approved
4 Summer School Library Grant Awards	\$27,000	

Declined ARP ESSER Grant Applications		
Summer Support Grant		
Library	Amount Requested	Status
Cascade Public Library	\$2,000	Ineligible – Received Summer Learning Strategies Grant
1 Summer Support Grant Decline	\$2,000	
Summer School Library Grant		
Library	Amount Requested	Status
Wood River Middle School (Hailey) – Blaine County School District	\$5,000	Ineligible – Not open for summer hours
1 Summer School Library Grant Decline	\$5,000	