

**V. Federal Fund****C. Grants – Continuing Education Grant Awards – Information item****Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Continuing Education Grant awards from August 9, to October 7, 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.

Each year, a handful of grant recipients choose to cancel an award because they are unable to attend their event or take their course. The funds for cancelled awards are not disbursed, and the grant amount is subtracted from the total awarded to all recipients for the fiscal year. Recipients who cancel their awards are encouraged to apply again in the future.

<b>Continuing Education Grant Applicant and Project</b>	<b>LSTA Request</b>	<b>Evaluation and Status</b>
Cascade Public Library – CE 25-37 Library Science Course University of Alabama course Maria Guest	\$990.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Library District – Orchard Park Branch – CE 25-38 Library Science Course American Library Association Learning Leah Dredge	\$216.75	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Library District – CE 25-39 First-Time Conference Attendance Northwest Interlibrary Loan Conference Jennifer Tiedtke	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Meridian Academy (West Ada School District) – CE 25-40 First-Time Conference Attendance Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of NCTE (ALAN) Workshop Chenin McConnell	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Owyhee High School – CE 25-41 First-Time Conference Attendance National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Annual Convention Julie Damico-Hatcher	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved

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Meridian High School (West Ada School District) – CE 25-42 First-Time Conference Attendance National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Annual Convention Kara Louie	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Valley of the Tetons Library – CE 25-43 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Library Association Annual Conference Emily Bahr	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Moreland Elementary School (Snake River School District) – CE 25-44 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Early Years Conference Ashley Johnson	\$1,122.40	Staff reviewed and approved
Larsen-Sant Public Library (Preston) – CE 25-45 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Early Years Conference Liberty Hill	\$809.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Valley of the Tetons Library – CE 25-46 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Library Association Annual Conference Susan Strayer	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved
Valley of the Tetons Library – CE 25-47 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Library Association Annual Conference Rachel Gray	\$1,125.00	Staff reviewed and approved
West Bonner Library District – CE 25-48 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Early Years Conference Brittany Cross	\$800.00	Staff reviewed and approved
North Bingham County District Library – CE 25-49 First-Time Conference Attendance Idaho Library Association Annual Conference Madolynn Clayson	\$503.00	Staff reviewed and approved
<b>13 CE Grants awarded since 8/9/2024</b>	<b>\$12,316.15</b>	
Total CE Grant budget for FY25	\$45,000	
Total CE Grants awarded for FY25 (4 cancelled grants subtracted)	\$45,863.40	48 grants
FY24 CE Grant carry forward	\$675	1 grant
Remaining FY25 budget available to award	-\$1,538.40	
Total CE Grant funds disbursed in FY25	\$14,282	13 grants
<b>Breakdown of FY25 Awarded Continuing Education Grants (Cancelled awards removed from totals)</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage of Total Awards</b>
First-Time Conference Grants	\$34,609.40	75%
Library Science Course Grants	\$10,333.75	23%
Group Training Grants	\$0	0%
Leadership Development Grants	\$920.25	2%