

State Aid Budget Application - 2007-2008

CentralBookAid

2.15 **Budget Narrative:** Provide a brief narrative, no more than five hundred (500) words, explaining how expenditures in the proposed budget application attain the goals and intended results described in the system's approved Five-Year Plan of Service for the funding year.

Expenditures in this proposed budget application support principally Goal XI.1 of the approved Plan of Service. Staff supported by this grant provides collections, programs, and services that supplement and expand the variety found in neighborhood branch libraries. Services include deposit collections of materials in languages other than English to neighborhood branch libraries; reference service by telephone and online via the Internet to all residents; onsite access to large, comprehensive reference and circulating collections in all subject areas; and filling reserve requests for Central Library materials from neighborhood branch customers. In addition, staff funded with this grant support Goal XI.2 to evaluate central library services in Midtown Manhattan. Staff funded with this grant also support Goal I.2 to preserve unique collections; Goals I.8 and I.9 to provide Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery; Goals II.5 and II.6 to provide Ask Librarians Online virtual reference service and to streamline virtual reference for all NYPL users; Goal III.6 to provide full access to Library materials and resources to persons with disabilities; and Goal IX.5 to participate in a pilot project for cooperative world languages acquisitions.