



## **Library Development**

## **FY 2000 Project Grants**

## Approved Through September 30, 1999 Including Project Director Information

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Brooklyn Public Library	00-0083	Get Connected To Consumer Health Information will provide workshops for BPL staff and the public in locating and evaluating electronic resources for health information. The project will target women and senior citizens and will include an on-line tutorial.  Gail Miller (718) 230-2178	\$51,510
Brooklyn Public Library	00-0084	Enter the Career Zone will provide workshops featuring the NYS Department of Labor web site for three target groups who need particular assistance as they enter the job market: young adults preparing to make the school-to-work transition or seeking employment to support their higher education; immigrants; and welfare recipients who must find employment before their benefits expire.  Norman Eriksen (718) 230-2716	\$50,736
Brooklyn Public Library	00-0085	Adult ESOL Pilot Programming will provide two semesters of English classes for adult speakers of	\$114,864

		other languages at eight BPL branch libraries. The project will target speakers of Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin), Russian, Spanish, French/Creole, and Polish - populations that represent the largest influx of immigrants in Brooklyn over the past decade.  Susan K. O'Connor (718) 832-3560	
Brooklyn Public Library	00-0086	Branching Out: BPL News and Information On-Line will redesign the current branch profile web pages for each of the 58 neighborhood libraries, Central Library and the Business Library. They will link to an online gallery featuring photographs from BPL's Brooklyn Collection that relate to the history of each branch and corresponding neighborhood.  Beth Weinstein (718) 230-2209	\$69,550
Brooklyn Public Library	00-0087	Day Care Business Information Project will provide individuals with information related to licensing, training, financing, insurance and other pertinent day care business topics. Programming will target members of the English-speaking Caribbean community and Brooklyn residents in general.  Susan Phillis (718) 722-3330	\$40,068
Broome-Tioga BOCES SLS	00-0006	Another Step Through the Electronic Doorway (Phase 2) will enable enhanced resource sharing among schools in the system and beyond by increasing the system database by over 70,000 records.	\$50,000

		Janet Bohl (607) 763-3603	
Broome-Tioga BOCES SLS	00-0039	The Electronic Escort (an electronic content application) will enable library media staff to provide electronic doorway guiding tools for their school staff, students and community.  Janet Bohl (607) 763-3603	\$14,448
Buffalo & Erie County Public Library	00-0057	Be Learning Wise BECPL (Because Everyone Caring Promotes Learning) will provide specially displayed book collections and family focused programs to help first through sixth grade children develop positive character traits and effective people skills.  William A. Miles (716) 858-7152	\$70,000
Buffalo & Erie County Public Library	00-0059	Training for Networked Services: New Methods and Expanded Access will adapt and redesign current technology curriculum and materials in order to train staff in presentation and training techniques. It will also provide special software and hardware for library patrons with vision impairment.  Patricia Angstadt (716) 858-7174	\$25,537
Buffalo City SLS	00-0060	BSLS Retrospective Conversion Project will enhance resource sharing through the conversion of 40,000 records in seven public and two nonpublic schools.  Kathleen Kreis (716) 851-3603	\$31,400

Capital District Library Council	00-0048	Technology Training for the New Millennium will provide training for librarians from all four types of libraries on use of the Internet and a variety of computer software applications both in the CDLC training lab and offsite.  J. James Mancuso (518) 438-2500	\$28,660
Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES SLS	00-0036	Retrofitting for Electronic Doorway Library Services, Phase Two will complete retrospective conversion for two schools by adding over 13,000 records to the database.  Robert Dobbs (315) 253-0361	\$6,354
Central New York Library Resources Council	00-0069	CLRC Electronic Content will address two of the needs for improved electronic content of the CLRC.ORG website which were expressed on CLRC's 1998/1999 membership survey. Outside experts will work with CLRC on its web pages and on configuring and testing the SiteSearch connections for the regional virtual catalog and Union List of Serials.  Jeannette Smithee (315) 446-5446	\$12,000
Central New York Library Resources Council	00-0070	CLRC Training for Technology will include computer training in topics such as Adobe Acrobat and "train the trainer." A second part will provide ready-made programs on topics such as e-journals, digitization, e-reserves and electronic copyright.  Nancy Howe (315) 446-5446	\$15,000

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Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System	00-0014	Computer Training Facility will prepare member librarians to use electronic tools, to access and evaluate electronic information resources, to instruct the public in their use, and to position their libraries for full participation as Electronic Doorway Libraries.  Catherine Way (716) 484-7135	\$62,140
Clinton-Essex BOCES SLS	00-0016	Champlain Valley Digital Library Catalog Project will enhance resource sharing through conversion of over 35,000 library records from ten school libraries.  Kathy Krul (518) 561-0100	\$36,967
Dutchess BOCES SLS	00-0025	Database Development for Dutchess County Schools will increase the system's database by an estimated 18,000 holdings.  Lynn K. Cordy (914) 486-4840	\$14,205
Finger Lakes Library System	00-0033	Casting Our Net will provide Ameritech's X-Net to permit member libraries more effective access to the system's catalog and remote-access databases.  Judy Swann (607) 273-4074	\$18,720
Four County Library System	00-0047	Hands-on Computer Training Lab will equip the conference room at the system headquarters for hands-on computer and Internet training for librarians and staff of the system and of member libraries.	\$29,477

		Steve Bachman (607) 723-8236	
Geneva Free Library	00-0015	Families Read! Creates a partnership between the Geneva Free Library, Geneva Head Start, and Geneva Housing Authority to promote family literacy skills. The project aims to reach 130 low-income, low-literacy families to promote families reading together by providing age appropriate materials and programs in convenient locations.  Lindsay D. Ruth (315) 789-5303	\$24,091
Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery BOCES SLS	00-0026	Library Materials Database Development will convert 7,200 library records from two schools and enhance resource sharing in the region and state.  Deborah Booth (518) 883-6500	\$5,760
Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery BOCES SLS	00-0027	Libraries: Cornerstones in the School-Parent Connection will build effective partnerships with parents by instructing librarians, teachers and parents in web-site and resource evaluation, web design and web authoring.  Deborah Booth (518) 883-6500	\$32,825
Long Island Library Resources Council	00-0008	Three-tiers: Training the Trainers will allow library personnel to sharpen their training skills, increase their computer competencies, and expand their subject expertise of Internet resources in three target areas important to Long Island communities	\$28,655

		medicine, business and environmental science.  Herbert Biblo (516) 632-6650	
METRO	00-0075	NOAH Content Enhancement will provide and update an online glossary of medical terminology that can be accessed in both English and Spanish.  Kathel Dunn (212) 822-7327	\$17,900
Mid-Hudson Library System	00-0088	e fundraising forum will include an electronic toolkit, mentoring forum, and bench marking data files of specialized local and government funding information relevant to Hudson Valley libraries. It is specifically targeted at trustees, friends, and volunteer library groups in this area and will collaborate with a number of organizations.  Mary Keelan (914) 471-6060	\$37,372
Mid-Hudson Library System	00-0089	Communities and Libraries United Through Electronic Access (CLUE) will provide a promotional packet to help libraries reach out to community groups; an Internet presence to community groups; evaluation mechanisms to confirm activity on the created Web pages; and training modules for creating Web pages and local Web content.  Denise A. Garofalo (914) 471-6060	\$33,565
Mid-Hudson Library System	00-0090	Libraries and Labor: A Virtual Connection will ensure that library staffs are capable of using NYS	\$39,948

		Department of Labor training and model career products to assist customers in their career-seeking strategies. It will also help articulate the role that libraries can play as access points within a comprehensive workforce development system.  Joshua Cohen (914) 471-6060	
Mid-Hudson Library System	00-0092	Babies and Books will build multimedia family literacy centers in five Mid-Hudson libraries and each will conduct two workshops demonstrating services and materials available for families.  Jane Daniels (914) 471-6060	\$36,127
Mid-York Library System	00-0094	Technology Training in a Tub will provide hands-on training for member library staff who will then be able to offer hands-on training to the public using portable laptops and portable projection equipment.  Linda Manfredo (315) 735-8328	\$35,935
Mid-York Library System	00-0095	2001 New York State Summer Reading Program develops and produces materials for a youth-oriented summer reading program to meet the need of all public libraries and provides support materials for those libraries implementing the program.  Diana Norton (315) 735-0943	\$25,000
Mohawk Valley Library Association	00-0004	Resources for Economic Viability in Sustainable Agriculture (Year Two: Beyond the Pilot Project) will	\$51,900

		expand to seven library resource centers providing information about the economic viability of sustainable agriculture. Libraries will provide topical programs and establish and expand cooperative relationships between libraries, community organizations and local government that will be beneficial to farmers in the four-county area.  Rebekah Tanner (518) 355-2010	
Mohawk Valley Library Association	00-0005	I Spy will use an electronic game format to feature local history and information about historic sites in nine communities of the Mohawk Valley and make it available through system and member library Web sites with links to related material.  Sue Rokos (518) 355-2010	\$26,261
Monroe County Library System	00-0104	Technology Training will address the system's most pressing technology training issues: (a) training for children and parents in the effective and safe use of the Internet; (b) technology skills assessment program; and (c) advanced staff training in maintaining networks.  Paula Smith (716) 428-8051	\$52,715
Monroe County Library System	00-0105	Rochester Images will expand its images database with 3,500 postcards and 1,500 photographic images from the City of Rochester's Archives. It will also involve planning and assessment work on the contents and formats of local history resources in the	\$62,298

		collections of Monroe County public libraries and town and village historians and on maps from the central library's collection.  Rodney P. Perry (716) 428-8393	
Monroe County Library System	00-0106	DARBY Project: Developmentally Appropriate Reading for Babies and Youth will create a training curriculum that can be used by librarians, family resource center parent educators, literacy providers, and daycare providers to teach parents with low literacy levels about developmentally appropriate reading for children.  Carolyn Schuler (716) 428-8301	\$48,479
Monroe County Library System	00-0108	Electronic Books Evaluation Project will team publishers and libraries to introduce library patrons to this new format and evaluate the products.  Richard Panz (716) 428-8045	\$45,850
Nassau Library System	00-0055	El Cip - English Language Citizenship Information Preparation-The Sequel expands the program of providing English and citizenship instructional classes and computers with software for self-assisted learning to non-English speaking individuals.  Dorothy Puryear (516) 292-8920	\$35,315
Nassau Library System	00-0056	Training 2000 will increase the current training capacity at the service center, plan systematic	\$63,470

		progression of types of training, and offer regular series of group training sessions that will help meet the needs of the member libraries' staff and users.  Dorothy Puryear (516) 292-8920	
New York Public Library	00-0061	Online Reference Service Project will develop a two-year pilot online reference service that allows web site visitors to e-mail questions to the Library and receive an answer via e-mail. The service will feature a reference database with frequently asked questions and hard-to-find items, an archive of e-mail questions, and a list of useful web sites.  Harriet Shalat (212) 340-0859	\$67,233
New York Public Library	00-0062	Small Business Resources on Staten Island Project will expand access to business resources on Staten island, as well as support economic development through community empowerment and the forging of a support network that includes the library and local service providers.  Scott Lambdin (718) 447-3447	\$38,353
New York Public Library	00-0063	Technology in Adult Literacy Services Project will help literacy students at two Centers for Reading and Writing learn both English speaking or reading and technology skills. The project will test the use of graduate students in local Adult Basic Education and English for Speakers of Other Languages teacher education programs as mentors and will provide a	\$64,410

		template that allows students to publish their writings on the Web.  Ken English (212) 340-0924	
New York Public Library	00-0064	Library Staff Technology Training Project will train 300 staff to help patrons use online databases and productivity software to find, manage, and present information. Interactive online training modules will complement the training and allow staff to upgrade their technology skills at their own pace.  Kay Cassell (212) 340-0910	\$63,580
Newburgh Free Library	00-0023	Opportunity Through Information integrates library resources with economic and educational systems to create business and workforce opportunities.  Visualizing the library as a gateway, the Business Resource & Information Exchange (BRIX) provides immediate support to the economic community while establishing relationships with both providers and consumers of business information.  Anne Kennedy (914) 561-2497	\$59,948
Nioga Library System	00-0031	Help U2Know - Homework Help and the Public Library will help increase the capability of students and parents to access resources and gain expertise in completing homework assignments at the public library. School and public librarians will attend a full-day workshop on "The Big Six Skills," an information problem solving process applicable both	\$24,490

		to the completion of homework assignments by students and reference queries for librarians.  Marie E. Bindeman (716) 434-6167	
Nioga Library System	00-0071	Technology Training will allow for an expansion of the Technology Training Center and will make the Center a more comfortable experience for the hearing impaired and for the physically challenged. It will also provide for a new series of technology training sessions for member libraries.  Thomas C. Bindeman (716) 434-6167	\$18,187
North Country Library System	00-0080	Partnerships for Math Achievement will promote numeracy through parent and child, school and library partnerships. Five pilot library centers will offer library programs and materials to assist families in learning and strengthening math skills.  Regan DeFranza (315) 782-5540	\$33,581
North Country Library System	00-0082	Libraries and the Department of Labor: Serving Job Seekers through Partnerships will work with seven libraries to promote job services and evaluate DOL products. Open houses at each site and presentations to local officials will emphasize the importance of libraries in New York's Workforce Development System.  Regan DeFranza (315) 782-5540	\$45,276

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North Country Reference and Research Council	00-0096	Online Learning for Librarians will enable up to 100 librarians throughout the rural service area to update and improve their technological skills by taking free, web-based online computer skill courses.  Bridget Doyle (315) 386-4569	\$15,265
North Country Reference and Research Council	00-0097	Connected To Health will establish four public access sites that will provide medical and health-related educational information to citizens in the Watertown and Plattsburgh regions. In both geographic areas, one public library and one hospital library will each receive a computer workstation dedicated to this project.  Bridget Doyle (315) 386-4569	\$14,300
Olean Public Library	00-0072	Family Literacy Life-skills will assess the feasibility of providing on-site information and assistance in life-skills education in the Martha Avenue Housing Project. The library will work with LVA of Cattaraugus County and the City of Olean Housing Authority.  Kathleen M. Price (716) 372-0200	\$22,982
Onondaga County Public Library	00-0030	Welcome to the Library focuses on newly arrived immigrants and refugees to Syracuse and Onondaga County. Through collaboration with the agencies serving this target group, OCPL and its White Branch neighborhood will provide immigrants and refugees with a welcoming atmosphere with customized tours,	\$17,469

		conversation groups, library and literacy instruction, and other opportunities to learn about and use the library.  Doreen Milcarek (315) 435-1800	
Orange-Ulster BOCES SLS	00-0028	The Seventh Inning Stretch (School Technology Retrospective Conversion Help) will increase the system online catalog by 83,000 library records from seven media centers in four school districts.  Mary Ann Politi (914) 781-4360	\$49,800
Oswego BOCES SLS	00-0035	Record Conversion will enhance resource sharing through the conversion of 34,000 library records and will enable all public schools in Oswego county to become automated.  Barbara Wall (315) 963-4363	\$28,259
Otsego-Northern Catskills BOCES SLS	00-0032	School Library System Library Materials Database Development Incentive Program will convert 14,000 library records from a public elementary school and a nonpublic school. This step will complete conversion of the public school collections.  JoAnn M. Rockefeller (607) 652-1251	\$14,000
Pioneer Library System	00-0099	CyberTRAIN TWO will extend the technology training program to at least 10 additional libraries, expand the curriculum with more course offerings, and broaden the audience with regional staff training	\$20,238

Prendergast Library Association	00-0017	programs.  Betsy Morris (716) 394-8260   JPL/DOL: Prendergast Library Collaborates with the Department of Labor by providing a dedicated workstation with DOL products, training the public to use them, providing feedback on the products, and helping to develop future information products.  Catherine Way (716) 484-7135	\$28,798
Queens Borough Public Library	00-0011	Summer Reading Interns will improve the delivery of special programming and professional attention to children enrolled in Summer Reading Club 2000 through a summer internship program for undergraduate students to work as assistants to children's librarians during the summer of 2000. The interns will receive orientation and training in customer services, an introduction to librarianship as a career, basic information on child development combined with practical advice and programming suggestions and practice.  Rosanne Cerny (718) 990-0716	\$35,000
Queens Borough Public Library	00-0012	Computer Literacy Classes will offer computer literacy training and support for ethnic minorities in the Central Library and Far Rockaway Branch Library. This training will enable the target audience to independently utilize computers to navigate the Internet and other networked information resources	\$73,188

		available in the Library; and intelligently select and retrieve information from these resources.  Thomas Alford (718) 990-8677	
Questar III (Rensselaer- Columbia-Greene) BOCES SLS	00-0002	Database Development will enhance resource sharing through the conversion of 36,000 library records from three school library media centers.  Candace Portzer (518) 766-3400	\$28,800
Rochester City SLS	00-0037	From Books to Bytes - Converting 5 Rochester School Libraries will convert over 35,000 library records in several elementary school library media centers and enhance regional resource sharing.  Linda L. Sundlof (716) 262-8733	\$30,000
Rochester Regional Library Council	00-0102	Enhanced Electronic Doorway Library Training will expand training topics to include additional and more advanced methods of locating, evaluating, managing, and disseminating information for library staff and users in public, school, health-care, academic, and special libraries throughout the five-county area. Videoconferencing will provide simultaneous training at remote sites and a series on adaptive technology will help to improve service to the disabled.  Betsy J. Gilbert (716) 223-7570	\$26,635
Rochester Regional Library Council	00-0103	Home of Women's Rights: Digital Biographies of Western New York Suffragists will bring together	\$49,654

		through digitization primary resource materials on the Women's Suffrage Movement held by a variety of Rochester area libraries and archives. By placing the digital biographies on a website, these resources many of which are fragile, deteriorating and underutilized - will be available to a wide audience of students, scholars, and the general public, and usable without physically destroying the originals. This project implements a Digitization Plan created by the Council under a 1999 LSTA Planning Grant. Under that plan, four digital teams Content, Technology, Management and Awareness are developing a blueprint for regional digitization activities focused on the Women's Suffrage Movement.  Kathleen M. Miller (716) 223-7570	
South Central Regional Library Council	00-0101	Toward One Stop Shopping: Enhancing The Lakenet Gateway helps to provide library users with "one-stop shopping" so that the Gateway can be used to search multiple sources of information simultaneously, using a single interface and a single search string. The project will help to create additional Z39.50 public online catalogs in the region and add them to the Gateway; improve the interface to the Gateway, so that this complex information resource is easier to use; and provide training in the effective use of the Gateway for resource sharing.  Jean Currie (607) 273-9106	\$30,735

Southeastern New York Library Resources Council	00-0040	Implementing an Electronic ILL Solution in the Southeastern Region focuses on the resource sharing aspect of the region's virtual union catalog project by implementing the ISO/ILL standard for the electronic transmission of interlibrary loans across library automation platforms. A consultant will work with the Council to address product functionality and interlibrary loan issues.  Karen J. Starr (914) 691-2734	\$70,800
Southern Adirondack Library System	00-0021	The Power of Objects: Learning by Collecting will strengthen family learning by encouraging families to explore and learn together about the power of objects in the world around them. The programs will encourage families to make collecting, visiting museums and using their public libraries part of their lifelong learning activities.  Becky Wright-Sedam (518) 584-7300	\$38,820
Southern Adirondack Library System	00-0022	Step-by-Step to Active Web Pages will teach fundamental web publishing skills to 52 librarians and key staff in member libraries. Immersion learning provided in two-day retreats, combined with follow-up support, will mean every person participating in this training will be empowered to contribute to their library's web site, updating and adding information in response to community needs.  Elaine Baker (518) 584-7300	\$41,704

Southern Tier Library System	00-0050	Business Information through Allegany County Libraries provides services to small-business owners and those seeking jobs. The two libraries involved will establish computer labs and will work with local agencies to develop collections of business information software, CD-ROM's and printed materials and to provide services such as computer classes in using online resources; researching information via CD-ROM or Internet; writing resumes; or creating flyers or posters to promote their business.  Ristiina Wigg (607) 962-3141	\$42,713
Southern Tier Library System	00-0052	Computer Lab will enable the system to provide direct training in computer use and Internet searching to patrons, library staff, and trustees in eleven member libraries, modeling training techniques so that project libraries will be able to conduct additional training sessions on their own.  Ristiina Wigg (607) 962-3141	\$34,393
Southern Tier Library System	00-0053	Caregivers Website: Library Links to Information and Support will design a website component for caregivers of older family members and the agencies and organization staff who serve them. It will provide resource referrals to area service providers and assist in lessening caregivers' isolation through links to support groups and area senior service networks. Gateways to regional, state, and national sources of	\$24,891

		information and assistance will also be provided.  Mary Passage (607) 962-3141	
Steuben-Allegany BOCES SLS	00-0098	Technology Training for Library Media Specialists will provide training in three areas: automated collection analysis and the NYS State Learning Standards; Education by Design (Bruce Bonney); and Information Literacy and the NYS Learning Standards.  Linda A. Nichols (607) 962-6630	\$10,600
Suffolk 3 (Western Suffolk) BOCES SLS	00-0041	Database Development Incentive Program will facilitate resource sharing by the addition of 46,500 library records from five school library media centers to the system catalog.  Harriet Rothstein (516) 242-1128	\$33,338
Suffolk Cooperative Library System	00-0013	Workplace Literacy will begin with outreach to the business community, through the Long Island Association, the Hauppauge Industrial Association, the Department of Labor, and the Town of Huntington, to inform regional businesses of workplace literacy services provided by LVA Suffolk County. The goal of the project is to upgrade workers' skills and, therefore, their ability to contribute to society.  Maxine Jurow (516) 286-1649	\$68,769

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Sullivan BOCES SLS	00-0019	Heading for Homeplate will enhance resource sharing through the conversion of 21,100 library records from three school library media centers.  Lynn A. Denman (914) 292-0246	\$9,495
Sullivan BOCES SLS	00-0020	Digging Into Documents (DID) will provide an in-service training program for 150 school library media specialists and classroom teachers from the five BOCES School Library Systems to learn how to use and integrate primary source documents in student research projects, including how to electronically link them to authentic primary sources, which will improve student research and performance.  Lynn A. Denman (914) 292-0246	\$44,658
Upper Hudson Library System	00-0076	Library Services to Older Adults will work with seven member libraries to develop a website with new content and links aimed at the information needs of older adults on topics such as health and wellness, financial and legal issues, and recreational interests such as travel, hobbies, reading. Local information concerning area groups, agencies and programs will also be included.  Sara Dallas (518) 437-9880	\$27,300
Upper Hudson Library System	00-0077	Basic and Beyond: Your Computer Demystified will provide basic computer training for the staff from all	\$24,720

		member libraries and the system. The project will first establish computer skill competencies and measure participating staff needs against them. Classes will be offered based on competency levels and need, on topics such as how to install and remove software, attach a printer, mouse and modem, change settings, and troubleshoot basic problems. Training on the most prevalent software applications will be offered throughout the grant period.  Rachel R. Baum (518) 437-9880	
Upper Hudson Library System	00-0079	Babies Need Books and Libraries focuses on the importance of reading to babies to allow development of literacy skills. Partnering with healthcare agencies, the participating public libraries will distribute gift bags to expectant mothers to encourage them to visit their local library, and the system will provide collections of picture books to the health care providers. Parents will be invited to library programs that promote literacy, health and parenting to help them develop a love of reading in their child.  Carol Dratch-Kovler (518) 437-9880	\$32,160
Washington-Saratoga-Warren BOCES SLS	00-0007	Library Materials Database Development Incentive Program will enhance resource sharing through the addition of over 11,000 library records from one school library media center to the system catalog.	\$11,279

		Katharine L. Winderlin (518) 581-3700	
Westchester Library System	00-0042	Opening Doors to Technology for the New Century will develop a new online resource to serve the growing Spanish-speaking and bilingual residents of Westchester County. Library staff will collaborate with leaders of Hispanic community organizations, academic programs that address the history and cultures of Latin American societies, and members of the public to determine the information needs of each audience. Library staff will identify and compile Spanish language resources on the Internet that address these information needs, and devise a classification structure which will facilitate subject inquiries. A web page using this structure and compilation of resources, with narrative and explanatory text in Spanish, will be maintained by WLS.  Robin Osborne (914) 674-3600	\$34,280
Westchester Library System	00-0043	New Americans Theater Workshop will involve a collaboration of the system with the White Plains Public Library and several Westchester organizations to implement a program of ESOL instruction augmented by a theater workshop. In BOCES classes students will study folktales of the world and develop dramatic scripts from them. The Westchester Arts Council will provide guidance for theatrical production of the scripts. Literacy Volunteers will operate a computer lab and will provide tutors to assist	\$51,669

		students. Students will work with White Plains Library staff to conduct research about historic and cultural contexts of the tales. Public performances of student work in the Library auditorium each semester will create additional community connections.  Robin Osborne (914) 674-3600	
Westchester Library System	00-0044	The New Face of Retirement: Redefining Career/Life Directions After 50 will provide a model career/life-planning program for adults over the age of 50 to help them prepare for retirement. The project will help mature adults reevaluate and expand their retirement options in a rapidly changing world; promote the library as a learning and information center for mature adults and educate them about its expanding services; and form new partnerships and foster communication among agencies that serve mature adults.  Elaine Sozzi (914) 674-3612	\$20,170
Westchester Library System	00-0045	Libraries and Labor: An Information and Training Partnership will implement an innovative career development project in which library patrons will be trained in the use of online information and products from Department of Labor within a structured career counseling framework. The project will increase access to labor market information resources, provide feedback to DOL on the public use of their products and future product development, and	\$49,681

		promote the public library as a partner in the NYS Workforce Development System.  Elaine Sozzi (914) 674-3612	
Western New York Library Resources Council	00-0067	Development and Application of Guidelines for Selection Criteria for Digital Conversion Projects will help develop a model decision-making process for digital conversion projects in the region and the state; integrate digital conversion projects into the larger, overall collection development process; and help ensure that digital technologies will be employed in support of pragmatic access goals.  Heidi Bamford (716) 633-0705	\$25,705
Western New York Library Resources Council	00-0068	Creating a Connected Western NY: Building Bridges Regionally via Training for the Creation of Smart Communities will teach library professionals and people in sectors of the Western New York community the following competencies: to understand and utilize the infrastructure to deliver electronic information resources effectively; and to identify, evaluate, and use electronic information resources to meet the information and research needs of the people of Western New York. Instruction will be done in a collaborative environment - pairing library professionals with the clients they serve. Building bridges between library and user will move Western New York closer to the reality of reaping benefits of a smart community working together in the information age.	\$18,920

		Gail M. Staines (716) 633-0705	
Yonkers Public Library	00-0065	Born to Read in Yonkers (BRY) involves a citywide coalition of partners: Yonkers Public Library, Yonkers Public Schools, St. John's Riverside Hospital, Early Childhood Initiative, Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial, and Westchester County Department of Health. BRY will provide a free book and other materials in English or Spanish to all infants born in Yonkers during the grant year, and reading programs and collections of books and materials for infants and parents at health care clinics as well as Yonkers Public Library branches. In addition, a major public awareness campaign will communicate the importance of early reading through presentations to local service organizations, publicity, and dissemination of bilingual materials at library branches, health fairs, community festivals and other events.  Linda E. Summers (914) 963-2326	\$38,410
	\$3,099,758		

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