

Pacific Library Partnership 2015-16 Grant Program

Background

The PLP Executive Committee is continuing the very successful Innovation and Technology Opportunity Grant Program for 2015-16. In addition to the customary grant award program, there will also be a new category for those libraries seeking funding to replicate a previously successful grant. The total amount of available funds is \$150,000.

Funding Limits

Each grant application may not exceed \$15,000.

Category A: PLP Innovation and Technology Opportunity Grant Program

Funds will be available to fund implementation of an idea, program or vision that provides a new service model or brings a fresh idea or interpretation to an existing model of library service. Reviewers will be asked to evaluate applications based on these criteria:

1. Service that introduces a new idea, program or vision that is not currently used in PLP or surrounding libraries
2. Service that may benefit other PLP members
3. Service that may benefit other California libraries

Category B: PLP Grant Replication Program

There has been a significant number of very successful grants that can easily be replicated in another jurisdiction. In order to encourage this practice, the PLP Executive Committee is introducing a new category: the PLP Grant Replication Program. All the previously funded grants are posted on the PLP website at plpinfo.org. To view the past grants, go to the *About* tab in the header and click on Innovation Grants. Reviewers will be asked to evaluate applications based on these criteria:

1. Clear articulation of how the grant will be replicated.
2. Rationale for any changes or enhancements to the original grant application. It is expected that the grant funding request will not exceed the amount of the original grant. If it does exceed the original amount, a compelling case should be made for the increase in funding.

3. Demonstrated understanding of the concept, success and “lessons learned” from the original grant and documentation of any follow-up with the original awardee.

Requirements

Those that receive grant funding will be expected to submit a final report

Review Panel

The PLP CEO will recruit a three-person panel from outside of PLP to review funding applications and provide feedback on the proposals.

Timeline

Grants are due on Friday, October 30, 2015 by 5:00 p.m.

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Please provide the following information in a Microsoft Word document. Please email the completed form to Wendy Cao at caow@plsinfo.org.

1. Title of Project _____
2. Category (A or B)_____
3. Library applying for funding _____
Name _____
Email _____
Mailing Address _____

4. Amount of funding requested _____

PLP Innovation and Technology Opportunity Grant Program

1. One paragraph project summary.
2. Explain how this project fits with the library's strategic directions.
3. A description of the proposed project including the population served and the demographics of that population.

4. Goals and objectives of the project.

5. Project timeline (activities).

6. Evaluation of the project.

7. Project budget.

PLP Grant Replication Program

1. One paragraph project summary, including description of the unique aspects of the project.
2. Explain which grant was selected to replicate and why.
3. A description of the proposed project including the population served and the demographics of that population.

4. Goals and objectives of the project. (Include here any rationale for changes to the original grant application.)

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