

Choose To Read Ohio Grants
Awarded: December 13, 2011
Project Period: January 1, 2012 – September 30, 2012

Columbus Metropolitan Library

Title Selected: *Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep* by Will Hillenbrand

Activities: This is a collaborative project between Columbus Metropolitan Library, the A. Sophie Rogers Laboratory School at Schoenbaum Family Center (SFC) at Weinland Park and the Weinland Park Elementary School. The selected title will be designated the SFC Book Club Choice for April 2012. Storytimes will be presented in classrooms at SFC and Weinland Park Elementary. Families will receive a copy of the book and an activity card with ways to share the book and other books with their children. An author visit open to the community will conclude the month's activities.

Federal Request: \$3,178 for speaker honorarium and books.

Contact: [Jenny Oney](#), 614.849.1222.

Delaware County District Library

Title Selected: *Bone, Out from Boneville* by Jeff Smith

Activities: This is a collaborative project with the Scioto Juvenile Correctional Facility (SJCF) and the Delaware Arts Academy. Classes at SJCF and Delaware Arts Academy will read the book and it will be discussed at the Public Library. Columbus artist Aaron Thomas will teach several classes at SJCF and the Arts Academy using *Bone* as a springboard to teach narrative techniques in graphic novels.

Federal Request: \$4,136 for books, art supplies, and speaker honorarium.

Contact: [Connie Pottle](#), 740.362.3861

Dublin City Schools

Title Selected: *B is for Buckeye* by Marcia Schonberg

Activities: This is a collaborative project between the fourth grades at Daniel Wright Elementary School and the Dublin Branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library. Fourth grade teachers will use the CTRO toolkits to integrate the book with social studies lessons. This work was selected because many students at the school are new to the state and the country. The author will visit the school and conduct an evening program at the Dublin Branch Library. Branch staff will use the event as a means to introduce families new to the community and country to all library programs and services.

Federal Request: \$2,220 for speaker honorarium, books, and promotional materials.

Contact: [Dori Breakwell](#), 614.718.8902

Hillsboro City Schools

Title Selected: *Two Girls of Gettysburg* by Lisa Klein

Activities: This is a collaborative project between the Hillsboro City Schools and the Highland County District Library. Ninth grade English classes will read the book and teachers will use the CTRO toolkit for discussion. An author visit in May will culminate this phase of the project. To encourage summer learning and reading, all students will receive a reading list which focuses on the theme of Ohio in the Civil War. For those students who participate in the voluntary summer reading program, they will have the opportunity to visit local Underground Railroad sites or attend an author e-visit in September.

Federal Request: \$9,937 for three speaker honorariums and books, both the CTRO title and related summer reading titles.

Contact: [Lynn Musser](#), 937.393.3485

Maysville Local School District

Title Selected: *Otis* by Loren Long

Activities: Library media specialists and literacy staff will team up to use Loren Long's books to promote positive character traits. Books will be read aloud and discussed and will be followed by community involvement activities. This will include collecting mittens and hats for the Eastside Community Center's homeless drive, visiting local nursing homes, and collecting food for "Helping Hands" baskets. The project will culminate with a visit, book signing and family celebration with Loren Long.

Federal Request: \$6,169 for speaker honorarium, marketing materials, and books in print, audio, and eBook format.

Contact: [Krissy Machamer](#), 740.454.4490

Pemberville Public Library

Title Selected: *Firegirl* by Tony Abbott

Activities: The Pemberville Public Library plans to use this CTRO title to establish a tween reading group at the library. This is a collaborative project with Eastwood Schools. Book discussions will take place at both the school and the public library and the project will culminate with an author visit at both locations. After the author visit, the library plans to use interested students to help organize two events during Summer Reading Program with the hope that the tween reading group will continue with monthly book discussion meetings into the future.

Federal Request: \$1,924 for speaker honorarium, books, and printing of bookmarks.

Contact: [Jane Kohlenberg](#), 419.287.4012

Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library

Title Selected: *Building a Family in a Falling Down House* by David Giffels

Activities: The library chose this title because of the number of older homes in the area and the interest in home repair and restoration by library patrons. Book discussions will take place at the Willoughby Senior Center, Breckenridge Assisted Living, Eastlake Women's Club, and Willowick Public Library. Library staff will encourage local Mayors and City Council Members to participate in a book discussion group and will feature the book as part of the Adult Summer Reading Program. An author visit will be the final event for Adult Summer Reading.

Federal Request: \$1,122 for speaker honorarium and books, both print and digital.

Contact: [Cheryl Kuonen](#), 440.943.4151