

**LSTA Grants Awarded
August 2014**

Technology Mini Grant - \$217,100

Brookfield Public Library - \$5,851

The Library will replace one desktop computer that is obsolete and used for library administration and technical services; one laptop that is obsolete and used for staff and patron trainings; and one color copier/printer used by staff and patrons that is at end of life. The Library will add a flat screen television to be used to facilitate library programs and services. The Library will purchase three tablets to use in staff and patron training. Outside technical support will aid in project implementation.

Camden County Library District - \$6,300

The Library will implement self-checkout stations for patrons at the Camdenton and Osage Beach branches to reduce wait times and facilitate independent access to the collection. The Library will also purchase four laptop computers to be used by patrons who participate in their traveling STEM classes at the branches.

Cameron Public Library - \$3,660

The Library will replace two staff computers, three public access computers and one barcode scanner that have obsolete operating systems. The new desktop computers will have more powerful operating systems, faster processing speeds, and up-to-date office software to better meet current expectations. Additionally, one laptop will be purchased for use as a circulation terminal during busy times, as well as for collection management operations.

Canton Public Library - \$5,600

The Library will replace six public access computers that are either inoperable or at end of life to better meet patron needs and expectations. Outside technical support will be used for installation.

Centralia Public Library - \$7,138

The Library will add three early literacy stations for use in the children's room of the library. The equipment comes with preloaded software designed to help children build their literacy skills.

Jefferson County Library - \$5,737

The Library will pilot a Chromebook service to help the library evaluate the efficiency, economics, and flexibility of Chromebooks compared to standard desktop computers for in-house public use.

Joplin Public Library - \$4,407

The Library will add two early literacy stations in its children's department to better meet patron demand. The stations come with preloaded software designed to help children build their literacy skills.

Keller Public Library - \$4,916

The Library will replace five desktop computers in its lab. These computers are at end of life. The new computers are expected to significantly reduce the number of interrupted computer sessions, improve the quality and effectiveness of the network, allow the library to continue to support the skill development and education of their patrons, maintain reliable information resources, and increase the number of successful computer experiences, thereby improving customer satisfaction and attitude.

Maplewood Public Library - \$13,859

The Library will replace twelve obsolete public access computers with computers and software that meet current patron demand and expectations, and one public printer and one wireless access point to improve the performance of the technology services offered to the patrons of the Library. Outside technical support will configure and install the new equipment and software.

Marceline Carnegie Library - \$11,770

The Library will replace six public access computers, one circulation computer, one Online Public Access Computer, one printer, and one wireless router that are at end of life. Additionally, the Library will add time and print management software to provide patrons with improved independent access to the library's technology-based services.

Marion County Library District - \$4,613

The Library will replace four computers that are at end of life and running obsolete operating systems with two laptops for staff use and two desktops for public use. The library will also replace one barcode scanner used at the Circulation Desk and add one for cataloging and inventory purposes.

Mid-Continent Public Library - \$11,309

The Library will pilot a laptop/netbook checkout service at eight branches. This will provide patrons with a broader range of access options. It will also allow staff to determine how mobile technologies might be best used within the branch buildings in preparation for an expanded effort.

Neosho / Newton County Library - \$12,984

The Library will replace the following pieces of equipment that are obsolete: 1) six desktop public access computers: four at the Seneca branch and two at the Neosho branch; 2) four desktop computers with four laptop computers in the training lab at the Neosho branch; 3) one flatbed scanner at the Neosho branch; and 4) one disc cleaning machine at the Neosho branch.

Oregon County Library District - \$11,889

The Library will upgrade thirteen public access and staff computers, one laptop, one standard printer and three receipt printers that are obsolete at the Koshkonong, Myrtle and Thomasville branches. Outside technical support will aid in project implementation.

Riverside Regional Library - \$13,093

The Library will replace its thin client public access computers that are at end of life. This project will restore stability to the technology infrastructure and better meet patron demand.

Rolling Hills Consolidated Library - \$9,947

The Library will replace thirteen laptop computers that are obsolete in its mobile computer lab. The Library is updating its computer classes and this will enable staff to train people in their service population using the most advanced and up-to-date computer technology and software.

Salem Public Library - \$9,047

The Library will replace its obsolete, malfunctioning microfilm reader/printer with one that will provide patrons with a digital reader/printer/scanner with features that address current needs and expectations.

Springfield-Greene County Library District - \$14,310

The District will add iMac computers for adult and young adult patrons to use at six branches to meet patron demand. Additional hours for part-time staff will be funded to provide training in use of the iMac computers to library staff, adults and young adults.

St. Charles City-County Library District - \$15,000

In order to provide better customer service, the District will improve access for patrons using mobile devices to the library catalog and additional services through the creation and implementation of a mobile app.

St. Clair County Library - \$10,361

The Library will upgrade its technology infrastructure to better meet patron needs and demands by replacing five public access computers and monitors that are obsolete, one public use printer/copier/fax/scanner that is at end of life, five public use laptop batteries that will not hold a charge, and four public use laptop AC adapters that no longer charge. Additionally, funds are sought for additional hours for part-time staff to design promotional materials; public relation supplies; and five terminal display signs.

St. Joseph Public Library - \$8,475

The Library will replace three existing early literacy stations that are near end of life with touch-screen, bilingual Spanish-English early literacy stations at the Downtown and East Hills branches. These stations target children ages 2 through 8. The Library will also add a children's literacy station, targeting children ages 6 to 14, at the Downtown branch.

St. Louis County Library - \$14,832

The Library will expand its Digital Media Literacy Lab for use by area tweens and teens in developing interest and skills in STEAM-related activities. Potential programs that will be offered include Stop-Motion Animation, Pencil Animation, Coding with Raspberry Pi, and Minecraft. A special effort will be made to reach girls to encourage their pursuit of careers in science and technology.

University City Public Library - \$9,203

The Library will replace two malfunctioning self-check units that are at end of life. Because the new self-check units will also serve as a print release and computer reservation system, this project will provide patrons with improved, independent access to the library's collection and technology services.

Valley Park Community Library - \$2,799

The Library will replace two staff computers and one patron access computer that are at end of life. This will improve customer service and staff efficiency.