

**LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD REPORT**

September 23, 2021

TO: Board of Library Commissioners

FROM: John F. Szabo, City Librarian

SUBJECT: **ACCEPTANCE OF CALIFORNIA LIBRARY LITERACY SERVICES (CLLS) GRANT OF \$138,926 AND ADDITIONAL \$72,250 DESIGNATED SUPPORT FOR FAMILY LITERACY FOR THE LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY'S ADULT LITERACY SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/22**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Commissioners:

1. Accept the California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) grant of \$138,926 for adult literacy and additional \$72,250 designated for family literacy for the Los Angeles Public Library's Adult Literacy Services for Fiscal Year 2021/22;
2. That the funds be deposited in Trust Fund 419, Account 366; and
3. Adopt the attached Resolution regarding acceptance of the CLLS funds for Fiscal Year 2021/22.

FINDINGS:

1. On September 7, 2021, the California State Library announced that the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) Adult Literacy Service program grant application was accepted and is eligible for a \$138,926 grant and additional \$72,250 designated for family literacy.
2. The entire family literacy grant (\$72,250) and 90% of LAPL's 2021/22 adult literacy CLLS award (\$125,033) is available to claim now. The remaining 10% of the award (\$13,893) will be claimed after the completion of a mid-year financial and narrative report. The total award for the fiscal year is \$211,176.
3. The Los Angeles Public Library and the Library Foundation of Los Angeles provide matching funds to make LAPL eligible for this grant which is determined by applying a CLLS formula. The formula includes the amount of local dollars expended by the LAPL and the LFLA on Adult Literacy Services in 2019/20 added to a per capita

amount based on the adult learners enrolled for tutoring in the Adult Literacy Services program by the Los Angeles Public Library in 2019/20.

4. These funds must be accepted by the Board of Library Commissioners to activate this award.
5. These funds will be used for purchasing adult literacy textbooks, workbooks, fiction and nonfiction reading material (general interest and parenting, education and workforce development titles), and nonfiction audio visual materials.
6. Family literacy funding will be used for volunteer training, consumable materials, children's books and craft materials, and staff-led instruction for families with at least one adult who qualifies for adult literacy services and at least one child under the age of 18.

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RESOLUTION

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LIBRARY RESOLUTION NO. 2021-XX (C-XX)

WHEREAS, On September 7, 2021 announced that the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) Adult Literacy Service program grant application was accepted and is eligible for a \$138,926 grant and additional \$72,250 designated for family literacy; and

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WHEREAS, These funds must be accepted by the Board of Library Commissioners to activate this award.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Commissioners accept the California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) grant of \$138,926 and additional \$72,250 designated for family literacy for the Los Angeles Public Library's Adult Literacy Services for Fiscal Year 2020/21; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the funds be deposited in Trust Fund 419, Account 366.

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