

**LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD REPORT**

October 13, 2022

TO: Board of Library Commissioners

FROM: John F. Szabo, City Librarian

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF CALIFORNIA LIBRARY LITERACY SERVICES (CLLS) GRANT OF \$137,500 DESIGNATED SUPPORT FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING SERVICES FOR THE LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY'S ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/23

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Commissioners:

1. Accept the California Library Literacy Services (CLLS) grant of \$137,500 designated for English language learning services for the Los Angeles Public Library's Adult Literacy Program for Fiscal Year 2022/23;
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 2022/23.

FINDINGS:

1. On September 19, 2022, the California State Library announced that the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) English language learning grant application was accepted and is eligible for \$137,500.
2. This grant is part of one-time funding for English language learning services from the California State Library that will be allocated over a five-year period. This award covers Round II of CLLS funding between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.
3. These funds must be accepted by the Board of Library Commissioners to activate this award.
4. The majority of the funds will be used to enhance existing services with the purchase of additional workbooks, collection materials, literacy titles, app-based literacy learning licenses, and English language learning materials our volunteers will use to supplement curriculum when planning and implementing tutoring sessions.

Remaining funds will be used to develop curriculum, pilot assist qualifying learners with overcoming barriers to accessing services (e.g. transportation), train staff and volunteers in specialized literacy techniques for English language learning services, and improve connection to library resources and services for literacy programs and resources.

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Attachment:

LIBRARY RESOLUTION NO. 2022-XX (C-XX)

WHEREAS, On September 19, 2022 announced that the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) English language learning grant application was accepted and is eligible for a \$137,500 grant; and

WHEREAS, The entire English language learning grant of \$137,500 is available to claim now; and

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 \$137,500 funds designated for English language learning services for the Los Angeles Public Library's Adult Literacy Program for Fiscal Year 2022/23; and

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

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