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White Awards More Than \$800,000 in Library Grants

SPRINGFIELD — Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White announced today that 15 Illinois libraries will receive \$844,208 in grants from the federal Library Services and Technology Act.

"Innovation is the key to these grants that allow libraries to implement unique methods of conducting programs and to develop new services and activities to lead library patrons into the new century," said White.

The FY2000 grants, administered by the Illinois State Library, range from \$13,250 to \$124,000 and can be used for widely varied projects. Libraries, universities and museums will form partnerships to develop model projects and activities.

In Chicago, the University of Illinois Library (UIC) will partner with the Museum of Broadcast Communications (MBC) to develop and produce an interactive learning resource of interest to high school students. Centered on the 1960 presidential debates, the interactive learning resource includes video and audiotapes from the MBC archives.

The Farm Progress Show and the Rolling Prairie Library System in central Illinois will join to demonstrate the impact of technology on downstate rural communities. Other grants will establish homework centers, bring library services to underserved patrons and communities and provide resource sharing among libraries, schools and parent groups statewide.

FY2000 LSTA Grants

City	Institution	Grant Amount
Champaign	Lincoln Trail Libraries System	\$80,000.00
Champaign	The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois	\$75,000.00
Chicago	University of Illinois at Chicago	\$71,900.00
Decatur	Rolling Prairie Library System	\$20,000.00
Fulton	River Bend Community Unit District #2	\$30,000.00
Geneva	DuPage Library System	\$64,550.00
Godfrey	Lewis and Clark Community College	\$124,000.00
Joliet	Joliet Public Library	\$77,660.00
Lake Zurich	Ela Area Public Library District	\$25,940.00
Loves Park	North Suburban Public Library District	\$61,573.00
Marion	Marion Carnegie Library	\$13,250.00
Mattoon	Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center	\$45,000.00
Urbana	Urbana Free Library	\$67,085.00
Wheeling	North Suburban Library System	\$67,750.00
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Total=\$844,208.00		