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Jesse White Awards More than \$1 Million in “Back to Books” Grants
Over 200 libraries awarded

Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White has awarded more than \$1 million in “Back to Books” grants to 230 Illinois libraries to acquire fiction and/or non-fiction books, learning CDs and DVDs and other educational materials.

“I am pleased to be able to award these grants that will allow library users to be better educated and entertained,” said White. “Our libraries perform so many essential tasks, but at their core what our libraries do best is make books and other materials available to patrons.”

Libraries submitted applications specifying the types of books and other materials they would purchase if they received funding. These include:

- Building collections in women’s studies and sociology
- Health sciences books for nursing students
- Books and other materials to help veterans make the transition from military to civilian life
- DVDs to provide training to firefighters
- New materials in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and craftsmanship subjects
- Cultural, geographical and travel books and DVDs
- Spanish language fiction and non-fiction books, DVDs, and audiobooks
- Large-print books for senior citizens on topics related to retirement such as health, hobbies, finances, technology and travel

Awards range from \$2,500 to \$5,000 per library and are made possible by a combination of funds from the Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services and state of Illinois library funds.

(A list of libraries receiving grants is enclosed.)

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FY2013 Back to Books Grant Recipients

Albion	Edwards County Community Unit School District #1	\$4,500.00
Algonquin	Algonquin Area Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Alton	Alton Community Unit School District #11	\$5,000.00
Aurora	Aurora East Community Unit School District #131	\$5,000.00
Aurora	Aurora Public Library	\$5,000.00
Barrington	Barrington Community Unit School District #220	\$3,000.00
Bartonville	Alpha Park Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Beach Park	Beach Park Community Consolidated School District #3	\$5,000.00
Bensenville	Bensenville Community Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Bensenville	Bensenville Elementary School District #2	\$3,000.00
Berwyn	Berwyn Public Library	\$2,500.00
Biggsville	Henderson County Public Library District	\$4,900.00
Blue Island	Blue Island Public Library	\$4,368.00
Bourbonnais	Olivet Nazarene University	\$3,050.00
Bradley	Bradley Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Breese	Central Community High School District #71	\$5,000.00
Brimfield	Brimfield Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Brookfield	Brookfield Public Library	\$4,900.00
Burr Ridge	Hinsdale CCSD #181	\$4,000.00
Bushnell	Bushnell-Prairie City CUSD #170	\$4,565.00
Calumet City	Lincoln Elementary School District #156	\$2,500.00
Canton	Canton Union School District #66	\$5,000.00
Canton	Parlin-Ingersoll Public Library	\$5,000.00
Carbondale	Carbondale Community High School District #165	\$3,000.00
Carmi	Carmi Public Library	\$5,000.00
Carmi	Carmi-White County CUSD #5	\$5,000.00
Carrier Mills	Carrier Mills Stonefort Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Carrollton	Carrollton CUSD #1	\$2,500.00
Carthage	Carthage Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Centralia	Centralia Regional Library District	\$4,500.00
Champaign	Champaign Public Library	\$5,000.00
Champaign	The Board of Trustees of the Univ. of IL - Illinois Fire Service Institute	\$4,988.00
Channahon	Three Rivers Public Library District	\$2,500.00
Cherry Valley	Cherry Valley Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Chester	Chester Public Library	\$3,500.00
Chicago	Chicago Theological Seminary	\$5,000.00
Chicago	Chicago Public Schools - Department of Libraries and Information Services	\$5,000.00
Chicago	Illinois College of Optometry	\$5,000.00
Chicago	Illinois Institute of Technology	\$5,000.00
Chicago	Instituto Cervantes Library	\$5,000.00

Chicago	Marist High School	\$3,510.00
Chicago Heights	Prairie State College	\$5,000.00
Chicago Ridge	Chicago Ridge Public Library	\$5,000.00
Clifton	Clifton Public Library	\$5,000.00
Coal City	Coal City Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Colfax	Ridgeview Community Unit School District #19	\$5,000.00
Columbia	Columbia Community Unit District #4	\$5,000.00
Cortland	Cortland Community Library	\$5,000.00
Crystal Lake	McHenry County College	\$5,000.00
Danville	Danville Area Community College Library	\$5,000.00
Darien	Darien School District #61	\$5,000.00
Decatur	Decatur Public School District #61	\$5,000.00
Decatur	Millikin University	\$5,000.00
Decatur	Richland Community College	\$5,000.00
DeKalb	DeKalb Public Library	\$5,000.00
Des Plaines	Des Plaines Public Library	\$4,000.00
Dixon	Dixon Public Schools #170, Dixon High School	\$3,500.00
Dunlap	Dunlap Public Library District	\$5,000.00
DuQuoin	DuQuoin Public Library	\$3,000.00
East Dubuque	East Dubuque District Library	\$3,350.00
East Moline	United Township High School District #30	\$5,000.00
East Peoria	East Peoria Community High School District #309	\$5,000.00
East Peoria	Fondulac Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Edwardsville	Southern Illinois University Edwardsville - Lovejoy Library	\$4,970.00
Effingham	Effingham High School	\$2,500.00
Eldorado	Eldorado Memorial Public Library	\$5,000.00
Elgin	Elgin Unit 46 School District	\$5,000.00
Elsah	National University of Health Sciences	\$5,000.00
Eureka	Eureka Public Library District	\$3,625.00
Evergreen Park	Evergreen Park Public Library	\$5,000.00
Fairfield	Fairfield Community High School District #225	\$4,000.00
Fairfield	Frontier Community College	\$5,000.00
Fairview Heights	Fairview Heights Public Library	\$4,200.00
Flossmoor	Homewood-Flossmoor High School	\$3,500.00
Franklin Park	Franklin Park Public Library District	\$4,200.00
Galesburg	Galesburg Public Library	\$3,000.00
Geneseo	Geneseo Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Geneva	Delnor Community Hospital	\$5,000.00
Glasford	Illini Bluffs Consolidated Unit District #327	\$5,000.00
Glen Ellyn	College of DuPage	\$5,000.00
Glen Ellyn	Community Consolidated School District #89	\$5,000.00

Glendale Heights	Glenside Public Library District	\$3,750.00
Glendale Heights	Queen Bee School District #16	\$5,000.00
Godfrey	Lewis and Clark Community College	\$5,000.00
Greenfield	Greenfield Community School District #10	\$5,000.00
Greenville	Greenville College Library	\$5,000.00
Hampshire	Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library District	\$2,500.00
Hampton	Hampton School District #29	\$4,000.00
Hanover Park	Keeneyville Elementary School District #20	\$4,000.00
Hartsburg	Hartsburg-Emden CUSD #21	\$5,000.00
Harvard	Harvard CUSD #50	\$5,000.00
Harvard	Harvard Diggins Public Library	\$2,500.00
Harvey	Harvey Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Harwood Heights	Eisenhower Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Hebron	Alden Hebron Community Consolidated Unit #19	\$5,000.00
Hennepin	Putnam County Public Library District	\$4,878.00
Herscher	Herscher CUSD #2	\$5,000.00
Hillside	Hillside Public Library	\$5,000.00
Hodgkins	Hodgkins Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Hudson	Hudson Area Public Library	\$2,500.00
Huntley	Huntley Area Public Library District	\$3,000.00
Hutsonville	Hutsonville CUSD #1	\$4,000.00
Itasca	Itasca Community Library	\$2,500.00
Johnsburg	Johnsburg CUSD #12	\$5,000.00
Johnsburg	Johnsburg Public Library District	\$4,918.00
Joliet	Joliet Junior College	\$5,000.00
Joliet	Joliet Public Library	\$5,000.00
Joliet	Joliet Township High School District #204	\$5,000.00
Kankakee	Kankakee School District #111	\$5,000.00
Kewanee	Kewanee Public Library District	\$4,500.00
Kewanee	Wethersfield CUSD #230	\$5,000.00
Ladd	Ladd Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Lake Villa	Lake Villa Public Library District	\$2,500.00
Lanark	Eastland Community Unit School District #308	\$4,500.00
LaSalle	LaSalle Public Library	\$5,000.00
Leaf River	Bertolet Memorial Library	\$5,000.00
Lemont	Lemont Township High School District #210	\$5,000.00
Lincoln	Lincoln Christian University	\$5,000.00
Lincoln	Lincoln Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Lockport	Will County School District #92	\$5,000.00
Loves Park	North Suburban Library District	\$5,000.00

Lyons	Lyons School District #103	\$2,550.00
Macomb	Macomb Public Library District	\$4,000.00
Macomb	Western Illinois University	\$5,000.00
Malta	Kishwaukee College Library	\$5,000.00
Manlius	Bureau Valley Community School District #340	\$4,552.00
Manteno	Manteno Community Unit School District #5	\$4,134.00
Marengo	Marengo Community High School District #154	\$3,500.00
Marion	Marion Community Unit School District #2	\$5,000.00
Markham	Prairie-Hills Elementary School District 144	\$5,000.00
McLean	Mt. Hope-Funks Grove Townships Public Library District	\$2,500.00
Melrose Park	Melrose Park Public Library	\$5,000.00
Midlothian	Bremen Community High School District #228	\$5,000.00
Milledgeville	Wysox Township Library	\$3,500.00
Moline	Moline Public Library	\$2,500.00
Moline	Moline School District #40	\$5,000.00
Monmouth	Warren County Public Library	\$3,000.00
Morris	Morris Area Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Mounds	Meridian Community Unit School District #101	\$5,000.00
Mount Carmel	Wabash Valley College	\$5,000.00
Mount Morris	Mount Morris Public Library	\$5,000.00
Mount Olive	Mount Olive Public Library	\$3,651.00
Mount Prospect	Mount Prospect Public Library	\$3,450.00
Mount Vernon	Good Samaritan Regional Health Science Library	\$5,000.00
Murphysboro	Sallie Logan Public Library	\$5,000.00
Nashville	Nashville Community High School District #99	\$5,000.00
Neoga	Neoga CUSD #3	\$3,025.00
Norridge	Ridgewood Community High School District #234	\$5,000.00
O'Fallon	O'Fallon School District 90	\$5,000.00
Oak Forest	Acorn Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Oakwood	Oakwood Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Oglesby	Illinois Valley Community College	\$3,000.00
Oglesby	Oglesby Public Library District	\$2,500.00
Oreana	Argenta-Oreana Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Oregon	Oregon Community Unit School District #220	\$2,655.00
Oswego	Oswego Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Ottawa	Reddick Public Library District	\$3,600.00
Palos Hills	North Palos School District #117	\$5,000.00
Paris	Paris Carnegie Public Library	\$3,500.00
Park Forest	Park Forest Public Library	\$3,500.00
Park Forest	Park Forest - Chicago Heights District 163	\$4,680.00
Park Ridge	Park Ridge Public Library	\$2,500.00

Pecatonica	Pecatonica Community School District Unit #321	\$2,500.00
Peoria	Peoria Public Library	\$5,000.00
Peoria Heights	Peoria Heights Public Library	\$2,600.00
Peru	Peru Public Library	\$3,000.00
Plano	Plano Community Library District	\$3,500.00
Plano	Plano CUSD #88	\$5,000.00
Pontiac	Pontiac Public Library	\$5,000.00
Poplar Grove	North Boone CUSD #200	\$5,000.00
Port Byron	River Valley District Library	\$5,000.00
Princeton	Princeton Public Library	\$2,500.00
Princeville	Lillie M. Evans Library District	\$4,500.00
Quincy	Blessing Rieman College of Nursing	\$3,000.00
Quincy	John Wood Community College	\$4,800.00
Quincy	Quincy Public Library	\$5,000.00
Ramsey	Ramsey Community Unit School District #204	\$5,000.00
Richmond	Nippersink School District #2	\$4,950.00
River Forest	Dominican University	\$3,700.00
River Forest	River Forest Pubic Library	\$2,600.00
River Forest	Trinity High School	\$5,000.00
Riverton	Riverton CUSD #14	\$5,000.00
Rochelle	Rochelle Township High School District #212	\$5,000.00
Rochester	Rochester Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Rockford	Rockford Lutheran Schools	\$2,500.00
Rockton	Hononegah Community High School District #207	\$5,000.00
Rockton	Rockton School District #140	\$3,000.00
Romeoville	Valley View Community Unit School District #365U	\$4,500.00
Roselle	Roselle Public Library District	\$3,600.00
Rosiclare	Rosiclare Memorial Public Library	\$5,000.00
Shabbona	Indian Creek CUSD #425	\$5,000.00
Sherrard	Sherrard Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Shorewood	Shorewood-Troy Public Library District	\$4,900.00
South Holland	South Holland Public Library	\$5,000.00
South Holland	South Suburban College	\$5,000.00
Sparta	Sparta Public Library	\$5,000.00
Spring Valley	Richard A. Mautino Memorial Library	\$4,475.00
Springfield	Illinois Department of Transportation	\$5,000.00
Springfield	Illinois Enviromental Protection Agency Library	\$5,000.00
Springfield	Sacred Heart - Griffin High School	\$2,500.00
Springfield	Springfield School District #186	\$5,000.00
Springfield	University of Illinois Springfield	\$2,500.00
Steeleville	Steeleville Area Public Library	\$3,600.00

Steger	Steger-South Chicago Heights Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Streator	Streator Public Library	\$2,500.00
Sugar Grove	Sugar Grove Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Table Grove	VIT CUSD #2	\$3,500.00
Teutopolis	Teutopolis Community Unit #50	\$3,500.00
Tolono	Tolono Community Unit School District #7	\$5,000.00
Towanda	Towanda District Library	\$2,500.00
University Park	Governors State University	\$5,000.00
Waltonville	Waltonville CUSD #1	\$3,875.00
Warrensburg	Barclay Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Warrensburg	Warrensburg-Latham CUSD #11	\$5,000.00
Waterloo	Morrison-Talbott Library	\$5,000.00
Waterman	Clinton Township Public Library	\$3,000.00
Waukegan	Waukegan Public Library	\$5,000.00
West Chicago	West Chicago Public Library District	\$3,500.00
Westchester	Westchester Public Library	\$5,000.00
Western Springs	Thomas Ford Memorial Library	\$2,500.00
Wheaton	The Theosophical Society in America, Henry S. Olcott Memorial Library	\$4,250.00
Williamsville	Williamsville CUSD #15	\$5,000.00
Williamsville	Williamsville Public Library	\$4,510.00
Wilmington	Wilmington Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Windsor	Windsor CUSD #1	\$4,998.00
Wonder Lake	Harrison School District #36	\$2,610.00
Woodstock	Woodstock Community Unit School District #200	\$5,000.00
Worden	Worden Public Library District	\$5,000.00
Yorkville	Yorkville Community Unit School District #115	\$5,000.00
Zion	Zion-Benton Public Library District	\$5,000.00