

Lincoln County Library Foundation

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Application for Rotary Literacy Grant for Book Club Kits

The Lincoln County Library Foundation would like to submit for a grant, up to \$1,500, for adding Book Club Kits to our library collection. Several years ago, the library was able to add book club kits to the resources we are able to offer patrons of the Lincoln County Library System, through a generous grant from the McMurry Foundation. These book club kits are utilized by numerous groups across the state, as well as being a valuable resource for our schools.

Our current funding has not allowed us to add to our collection of book club kits in recent years, and we frequently have to turn away groups seeking newer books for their classrooms or book clubs. Each ten-book kit costs between \$90 and \$100. The fact that we would be buying them in ten book blocks would allow us to utilize any amount that was granted for this purpose. This project could be implemented immediately, with new kits available within one month of receiving the grant.

Having new book club kits, that people, especially young adults, want to read is a great way to promote literacy and a love of reading.

Missy Harris Director Dear Kemmerer Rotary,

Literacy is a large and important part of Early Childhood Education. The more we get parents involved and educate them, the more benefit to our students. Not only while they are preschool students, but also as they continue their education.

The Kemmerer Child Development Center would like to host a literacy night with parents and students. We plan to have parents come and read to their children. We would like to send a book home for each child in our center.

We have 75 students and an average of 5 dollars per book would cost \$375 dollars to provide a book for each child.

We would also like to provide a meal at the event, seeing as a strong portion of our population is classified as low income. We plan to provide the following:

Root Beer Floats: \$66 Pizza: \$200

*If needed, KCDC can provide the food for the social.

The cost to fund the entire event is \$641.00. We are planning to hold the event the end of November 2018 or early December 2018 and will be scheduling the official date dependent on grant funding.

Thank You

Katie Julander