

Memo

To: Montana State Library Commission

From: Jennie Stapp, State Librarian
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Date: July 9, 2015

Re: Recommendations from the Network Advisory Council meeting of July 7, 2015

The Network Advisory Council at its July 9, 2015 meeting approved the following recommendation to be forwarded to the State Library Commission:

Background: \$17,268 in FY 14 LSTA was previously recommended by the Council and subsequently approved by the Commission in April to put towards the State FY16 OCLC Group Services WorldShare Interlibrary Loan subscription.

Update: The remaining balance of unassigned funds in the FY 14 LSTA Statewide Projects budget has been updated again to reflect changes to two budget items. The Montana Memory Project Technical Assistant that was a temporary contracted position had a new end date of June 26, due to State requirements on the length of time State agencies can employ contracted temporary positions. The amount to reassign from this project is \$10,681. Additionally, \$7000 of the original \$15,000 in Courier funding will not be spent for that project during the LSTA award period that concludes at the end of September. \$5,000 in FY13 LSTA that had been allotted for the courier was not spent as the State Library was delayed beyond the award period in awarding a contract for courier service. Instead, that amount was moved to other projects and \$5,000 was added to the courier line in the FY14 LSTA Statewide Projects budget. Projected nine month LSTA payments for 18 library drop sites at \$2 per stop, plus \$25 per stop for three day service to Great Falls Public Library, amount to \$5,810. \$2,000 is reserved for the purchase of shipping crates and expansion opportunities for new libraries to join the courier. This leaves a balance of approximately \$7,000.

The Council recommends that \$15,000 of the updated, unassigned balance in the FY 14 LSTA Statewide Projects budget be assigned to the cost of replacing one of the MSL laptop training labs and that the remaining balance of \$2,184 be assigned to MontanaLibrary2Go for a one time purchase of additional content.