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# Memo

**To:** Network Advisory Council      **Fr:** Tracy Cook, LDD Director

**Date:** November 5, 2018

**Re: Ideas for LSTA 19 Funding**

We have not received our LSTA FY19 award but have heard from the Institute of Museum and Library Services that their budget has been approved. LSTA awards cover a two-year period. The LSTA FY19 award can be spent between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2020. We will start using these funds on October 1, 2019.

I will bring a proposed budget for this award to your March 2019 meeting. It will cover the typical budget items that you have seen in the past. It will also include approximately \$50,000 in unallocated funds. This dollar amount may change depending upon our allotment, changes to personnel costs, or other unforeseen challenges or opportunities.

I would like to spend time at our meeting in November discussing possible ways to use these funds. I will be asking staff to give us their ideas, and those ideas will be presented to you in March. This is an opportunity for you to discuss needs in the library community that might be addressed with the use of these funds.