



Innovation Project Application

Library: Northwest Regional Library System, Parker Library

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Name of Project: Parker Library Children's Nook

Project Amount requested: \$4,868.30

Scope of the Project: The 1,000 SF Parker Public Library was seriously damaged during Hurricane Michael. As the library is rebuilt and renovated, we hope to create a must-visit destination for the youngest residents of Parker. This project will add a child height table, chairs, and activities which can be used within this very small children's area. We will also purchase new children's books for the circulating collection.

What need in the library/community will this project address? The city of Parker was hurt very badly by Hurricane Michael. The library lost a large piece of the roof, and most of the print materials were destroyed during the storm. Other items located in the youth area were also water damaged. Parker is a proud city of about 4,500 residents. As the community rebuilds, having a freshly renovated library will provide a welcoming and comfortable environment for citizens of all ages. The Children's Nook will offer new books and fun activities for Parker's youngest library patrons.

Resources required:

Bookcraft Library Table, 25" height, 42" diameter - \$1,459.99

Demco Classmate Wooden Chairs, 16" height - \$234.99 each (x4 = \$939.96)

Shipping Estimate, Table and Chairs - \$238.38

LEGO Classic: Large Creative Brick Box - \$59.99

LEGO DUPLO: Big Construction Site - \$49.99

LEGO DUPLO: Cargo Train - \$119.99

Children's Books - \$2,000

Activities/Timeline (include estimated completion date): The city of Parker plans to make repairs and has already emptied the library. The library will purchase these items in Spring 2019 (or earlier if we are able to take advantage of sales). Once the building is ready for the library to reoccupy we will make these items available to the public. All items will be purchased and in use by

the public by the end of the grant period. The Parker Library is working with an organization in Ohio who is willing to lend a bookmobile which would be parked outside the Parker Library while it is under construction/renovation. The books and activities acquired through this Innovation Project could be used even before the renovation to the Parker Library is complete.

How will the library sustain this project? The table and chairs will last for many years. New books will be purchased using Parker's regular book budget. As the LEGOs need to be replaced we can use Parker's supply budget or request support from the Friends of the Library.

Library Director's signature: Robin Gladen Date: 11/7/18

Jeri L. Peirce Date: 11/7/18

Signature of agent, office, or board to whom the Director reports

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