



Friends of the Oakland Public Library

2012 - 2013 Grants to the Oakland Public Library

Grant Total: \$141,500

The Friends of the Oakland Public Library board approved a “wish list” of grants for the Oakland Public Library totaling \$141,500 in September 2012. To be spent during the fiscal year (October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013), these grants benefit every location and patrons of all ages.

Branch and Main Grants — \$45,200

- AAMLO – Programming
- Asian-Reading chairs for patrons (10)
- Brookfield – Building kits for young patrons to work on building things together
- Chavez-All-purpose teaching cart for arts and crafts supplies
- Chavez-Seating for express area (3 stools)
- Chavez-Flat-screen TV for announcements; photos; “muted” videos
- Lakeview-Custom-built circulation desk and reference desk
- Lakeview-Magnetizer for branch office
- Main (M&N)-California Birth and Death Index, 1905-2009, for genealogy research
- Main (Staff Conference Room)-Projector and screen
- Melrose-TV to present programs and films
- Melrose-Easel for dynamic storytimes
- Temescal-Shelving for three new sections: Arabic, parenting, transportation
- Temescal Tool Lending-Circulation work area anti-fatigue floor mat
- West Oakland-Exterior signage for 18th street side of building (no existing signage)

System-wide support – \$37,600

- Adult and Teen Summer Reading prizes
- Children’s Services (Auerbach Memorial Trust grant)
- Circulating Canvas Bags-500 for Brookfield, Main Children’s Room, Eastmont
- Director’s Discretionary Fund
- Educational and learning tools to promote early literacy for babies, toddlers and
- Library School Scholarships for OPL staff (\$500 each)
- Oakland Public Library Annual Report (design and related expenses)
- Second Start Adult Literacy
- Supplement for Children’s Programming
- Youth Leadership Council (stipends, related expenses)
- Youth Poet Laureate (2012 program)

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81st Avenue Library book fund (pledges from 2010 campaign) — \$17,700

“Makeover Fund” – \$41,000

Designated for branch refurbishment projects for three branches—Brookfield, Dimond and Montclair—over the next two years. FOPL funds will also serve as a match for a generous foundation grant that is available for these projects.

Note: The “Get to Know Your Grants” articles in FOPL’s quarterly newsletter, *Off the Shelf*, provides updates to our members about how the Friends of OPL supports the Oakland Public Library. Back issues are in [our newsletter archive](#).