



Library Service Expansion & Mini-Grant Program FY22 Details and Timelines

What: This grant program aims to support Mid-Michigan Library League members to better serve their communities. Tell us what impact this funding would have on service to your community.

How: Complete a simple application to ask for a grant in one of two categories:

- One-time event cost support
 - You may request **up to \$500** for an event related to improving your library service and/or professional development. The funds are targeted to pay for a library program/event, **or** to off-set travel costs, the need to pay a substitute to cover the library during training, or to pay the registration fee.
- Project cost support
 - You may request **up to \$1,250** to offset your costs of a project to:
 - Automate library processes
 - Purchase new technology – software, hardware, etc.
 - Improve resource sharing
 - Improve library service
 - Provide e-resources for which the price was not budgeted in advance

There are two grant application periods for the mini-grant program, with \$20,500 total for FY22.

Funds will be disbursed based on receipts for purchases. Reporting will be kept to a minimum, and will be part of the reimbursement form.

Who: The grant application is to be submitted by an MMLL member library director to support a library project to expand or improve service, or to support a one-time event for any staff or Board member of the library.

Timelines:

ROUND ONE

- Program Announced November 15, 2021
(All applications received during this period will be considered equally.)
- Application Due Date January 7, 2022
- Award Announced January 28, 2022
- Project Implementation 1/28/22 – 6/3/22
- Reimbursement Request Due Date June 10, 2022

ROUND TWO

- Program Announced February 14, 2022
(All applications received during this period will be considered equally.)
- Application Due Date April 15, 2022
- Award Announced April 22, 2022
- Project Implementation 4/22/22 – 8/26/22
- Reimbursement Request Due Date September 2, 2022

All grantees will be given specific instruction for the receipt of their grant funds. We will reimburse based on receipts for expenditures. An appeal may be made for up-front payment in cases of hardship. If there are more requests than can be handled, the Library Service Expansion & Mini-Grant Committee will make the final determinations. Good luck to all!

Questions? Call Sheryl Mase at 231-775-3037 or email her at smase@mml.org