

DEPARTMENT: Library/Literacy BY: Mark Goodin PHONE: 878-3692

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes ___ No X)

Recommend that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Mariposa Learn To Read Program/Northside to apply for 501(c)3 status for a nonprofit organization and to expend \$375 for the application fee; authorize the Northside Program to maintain the office in Mariposa (including paying three months rent) in order to retain the image and institution of the Literacy Program; authorize the Library to apply for State matching funds for the Literacy Program.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board authorized the grant (Dept. of Education, Title VI) which includes funds to coordinate and plan library literacy programs for adults and to promote cooperation between libraries and other agencies providing literacy programs for adults.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Mariposa County Learn To Read Program will cease to exist after December 31, 1994. Approximately \$8,000/year in matching funds will be lost.

COSTS: () Not Applicable	
A. Budgeted current FY	\$ _____
B. Total anticipated costs.	\$ <u>375</u>
C. Required additional funding	\$ <u>0</u>
D. Internal transfers	\$ _____
SOURCE: () 4/5ths Vote Required	
A. Unanticipated revenues	\$ _____
B. Reserve for contingencies	\$ _____
C. Source description:	_____
Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: \$ _____	

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:
Letter of explanation, one page

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 94-414 Ord. No. _____
Vote - Ayes: 4 Noes: _____
Absent: Taber Abstained: _____
(X) Approved () Denied
(X) Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
Date: _____
ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: _____
Deputy

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:
 Recommended
 Not Recommended
 For Policy Determination
 Submitted with Comment
 Returned for Further Action
Comment: _____
A.O. Initials: ME

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: MARK GOODIN, Literacy Coordinator

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board *MW*

SUBJECT: Literacy Grant Funds to Apply for
Nonprofit Status
Resolution Number 94-414

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

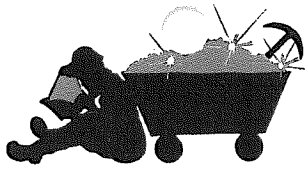
ADOPTED THIS Order on September 27, 1994

ACTION AND VOTE:

9:30 a.m. Mark Goodin, Literacy Coordinator;
Resolution Authorizing the Expenditure of Literacy Grant
Funds to Apply for Nonprofit Status (\$375) and for Three (3)
Months Rent for the Mariposa Literacy Office; and
Authorizing the Library to Apply for State Matching Funds
for the Literacy Program

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Mark Goodin, and
Board was advised of the fee increase for the nonprofit
status application to \$465.00. Chairman requested that
staff provide assistance, if needed, in completing the forms
for the nonprofit status. (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 94-
414 adopted/Ayes: Baggett, Balmain, Erickson, Parker;
Excused: Taber.

cc: Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Jeffrey G. Green, County Counsel
Maurie Hoekstra, Librarian
File



Mariposa County Learn to Read Program

Letter to the Board,

One of my responsibilities as Literacy Coordinator is to research alternate funding sources for the Mariposa County Learn To Read Program. The program has been able to operate without county funds for the last five years. This round of budget talks was the first time we asked the county to contribute to the program. What we'd like to do now, is to continue as before, operating without the need for county funds.

We think we have found a way to do that. We have recently learned of a program in Amador County that we may be able to implement here in Mariposa. Basically, in Amador, a private, nonprofit corporation contracts with the library to carry out the Library Literacy Program. Amador County Library is paid by the state to have a literacy program; the Library then uses that money to pay the nonprofit that they have contracted to run the program.

We can do that here in Mariposa. Here is what we can do:

1. Supporters of literacy form a nonprofit organization.
2. The nonprofit applies for grants from private foundations, (United Way, etc.) that the county program was ineligible for.
3. The nonprofit contracts with Mariposa County Library to implement the Mariposa County Library Literacy Program.
4. The Mariposa County Library applies for matching funds from the California State Library Literacy Program.
5. Funds that the nonprofit organization raises from private sources are matched at a 1:4 ratio by the State Library.
6. The State Library pays the County Library; the County Library pays the nonprofit organization.

END RESULT: Mariposa County continues to have an adult literacy program without incurring any in county costs.

Request the Board to approve our spending \$375 of literacy grant funds to apply for non profit status.

Request the use of Northside Program literacy grant funds to pay three months rent of Mariposa Literacy Office in order to maintain the image and institution of the Program.

Request permission to apply for State matching funds for literacy program.