NN/LM Final Project Report

Report ID:

Award Type: ☐ Subcontractor ≥ $20,001 Project

Region: MIDCONTINENTAL

Contract Number: HHS-N-276-2011-00006-C

Project Title: Kearns Library and Farnsworth Elementary Health Literacy Project

Name of Organization: Salt Lake County Library System

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Reporting Period Covered: 30-JAN-2015 - 30-APR-2015

Project Date: 07-OCT-2014 - 30-APR-2015

Extended Project End Date (if applicable):

Date Submitted: 18-MAY-2015

Special Funding Initiative: ☐ Yes

Minority Populations Served:

☐ African Americans

☐ American Indians/Alaska Natives

☐ Asian Americans

☐ Hispanics/Latinos

☐ Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders

☐ Other. Please Specify:
Executive Summary
The primary goal of the project was to raise awareness of health information resources among elementary students and parents, and to demonstrate the principles of health information literacy and evaluating health information resources.

The population was focused on Farnsworth students and their parents, and was selected due to the principal's willingness to participate and the school's geographic proximity to the public library - students who attend the school also utilize the public library.

The Salt Lake County Library System-Kearns Branch partnered with Farnsworth Elementary.

The project raised awareness of authoritative age-appropriate health information resources among students and parents, and provided an opportunity for the public library to be involved in the health/science curriculum with participation in the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematical (elements)night with activities and a display.

Overall, the project accomplished its goals, and demonstrated the successful of a public library/K-12 entity partnership.

Approaches and Interventions Used
Goals & Objectives:
1. Increase parent and student awareness of health information resources.
2. Demonstrate to students and parents methods of evaluating the accuracy and reliability of health information.
3. Support the health and science curriculum of Farnsworth Elementary.

Evaluation Activities
Farnsworth Principal Joan Biroux-Bramble sent parents a survey to evaluate the project. Of the 32 respondents 63% noticed the new flat screen TV; 16% noticed the health information, and those who noticed the health information rated its usefulness as 2.2 out of 3.

Problems or Barriers Encountered
Stacy Vincent encountered two problems during the project: The first was the amount of time it took to order and install the flat screen TV that was used to display the informational slides. The second was difficulty in finding quality, copyright compliant images to use in the slides.

Continuation Plans
Farnsworth will continue to use the flat screen to promote health information resources in the next school year.
**Impact**
Participation in the award sparked a lot of interest among other schools and libraries, and several of them have also applied for the next round of awards.

**Lessons Learned**
Allow more time for things like equipment ordering/delivery; planning ahead for slide content (i.e., allowing time to locate images and/or secure permission to use images).

**Other**
September and May are very busy times for schools and public libraries, so moving the application deadlines may make it easier for more people to apply.

**Attachment 1**
OARF summary data: Subcontractor activities