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Library Awarded State Grants

Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White recently awarded Lake Villa District Library two State of Illinois grants to help fund programs and materials.

The 2014 Per Capita Grant in the amount of \$50,345.00 will be put toward materials, in both print and electronic formats. Per capita grants are authorized under Illinois Library Law to help public libraries improve and increase services to their communities. A grant amount of up to \$1.25 per person served is made available to local public libraries. "Public libraries are the cornerstones of communities" said White. "I am proud Illinois offers grants to help secure reliable resources for Illinois citizens".

Additionally, LVDL was awarded a \$1000 Back 2 Books Grant to help fund its project "Mind Your Own Small Business at the Library." The library strives to meet the business needs of the community by offering programs and resources for those operating a small or home-based business. The library works in concert with the Lindenhurst Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce and the Illinois Small Business Development Center, to equitably share resources and optimize networking opportunities. Funding for the Back 2 Books grant was awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Division of the Office of the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the federal Library Services and Technology Act.

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