



## **FAO Grants Committee**

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FAO's Grant Committee has convened and reviewed over 100 applications for this year's mini-grants program.

### Grant Awards

- \$500.00**      **Athens**      **Athens County Farmer's Market – Kids Can Cook**  
 Support to launch a Kids Can Cook! Campaign featuring summertime cooking classes called the "Farmers Market Lunch Bunch," series of six classes utilizing guest chefs from the Athens community who would teach children and their accompanying caregivers how to prepare a pre-selected dish, step by step, from purchase to the plate.
- \$500.00**      **Belmont**      **OSU Extension – Road Trip: Life, Navigating Your Future**  
 Support for educational materials for four-hour interactive, multimedia wellness seminar for freshman and sophomore girls at Belmont County high schools. Educational sessions will include nutrition, exercise, health, smart dating, stress reduction and safe relationships.
- \$1,000.00**      **Clermont**      **Batavia Elementary School – After School Enrichment Project**  
 Transportation support for after school enrichment program giving students the opportunity to learn an activity, get help with studying skills, or receive free counseling in an area of concern.
- \$733.00**      **Columbiana**      **Community Action Head Start – “Head Start Reads”**  
 Support to purchase books for project to provide 444 children with three free books over the course of the program year. Teachers, community volunteers, and parents will work together to ensure the three book distributions contain activities that will create a sense of associating reading with fun for the children, something often lacking in the homes of the high-risk children they serve.
- \$2,500.00**      **Coshocton**      **Head Start – Computerized Reading & Learning for Preschoolers**  
 Based on cost of software, support in the amount of up to \$2,500 to purchase educational software for 20 donated computers received for classroom use. Funds will be used to purchase 3 software programs for the children to use, utilizing and maximizing technology, literacy, math and science skills.
- \$1,000.00**      **Gallia**      **FACTS/News Alternatives – Gallia Jackson Mentoring Project**  
 Support to activities for adult role models and “at risk” youth that provide youth and mentor something to do at minimal cost, provide unmatched youth with positive activities to participate in, and interaction for unmatched volunteers and youth to make a connection that could lead to a future match.
- \$1,500.00**      **Gallia**      **Gallia-Vinton Educational Service Center – FRED Parent Center**  
 Support to establish a Families Reading Every Day (F.R.E.D.) Parent Center at Vinton Elementary to provide parents a designed location to meet and acquire training and materials related to literacy skills.
- \$1,750.00**      **Hocking**      **Juvenile Drug Court – Reclaiming Futures Initiative**  
 Support to activities for at-risk youth to develop their socialization behaviors by introducing them back into the community and showing them ways to have clean and sober fun.

<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>Holmes</b>	<b>Wayne College Holmes Center – College Readiness Partnership</b>
	Scholarship support to participate in a "College 101" instructional program, the purpose of which is to both present information about attending college and to demystify the college experience so as to interest these individuals in the prospect of continuing their education beyond completion of the GED.	
<b>\$1,250.00</b>	<b>Jackson</b>	<b>Southeast Regional Library Systems – Reading Adventure Treasure Chests</b>
	Support for materials to be included in Reading Adventure Treasure Chest kits, containing instructional guidance, books for sharing with children, a read-along book, a musical cassette or CD, a movie, and a puppet or other special item around theme of chest.	
<b>\$2,500.00</b>	<b>Lawrence</b>	<b>IL-CAO Family Guidance Center – YEA After-School Program</b>
	Support for activities providing youth with a safe, structured environment, utilizing youth and adult mentors. Mentors provide participants with positive role models and homework help and staff implements life skills training, organized team building games, role play activities, and art/craft activities.	
<b>\$650.00</b>	<b>Meigs</b>	<b>Meigs County RSVP – <i>Seniors in Schools</i> Wall Hanging Project</b>
	Support for supplies for fourteen third grade classes to make a wall hanging, with assistance from their RSVP volunteer and teacher to incorporate what has been taught by the RSVP volunteers through the <i>Seniors in Schools</i> program.	
<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>Morgan</b>	<b>Multicultural Genealogical Center – I'm A Child of Morgan County</b>
	Support to create I'm a Child of Morgan County program through stories of individual family history of 5th and 6th graders through interviews held with oldest member of their family, creating a book and school performance.	
<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>Muskingum</b>	<b>Zane State College – College Access for Students of Appalachia</b>
	Support to Zane State College and partners, including OACHE, to offer a series of five college-access workshops for high-school students, including: A "College Prep Crash Course" Workshop and a "Financial Aid 101" Workshop.	
<b>\$1,915.00</b>	<b>Perry</b>	<b>Crookville High School – Click It To Achieve It</b>
	Support to purchase student response systems, wireless connectivity to engage and empower students while providing immediate feedback. This response system will allow students to address topics on the Ohio Graduation Test using 21st century technology.	
<b>\$2,500.00</b>	<b>Pike</b>	<b>South Central Ohio Computer Association – 21st Century Teacher Tools</b>
	Support to partially fund the yearly fee for 5 Learning Objects building blocks for the SCOCA Blackboard Consortium, which consists of 30, mostly low-wealth, Appalachian school districts and Beachwood City Schools and Westfall Local. The Learning Objects building blocks provide tools for blogs, wikis, podcasting and ePortfolios within the online courses.	
<b>\$1,692.00</b>	<b>Ross</b>	<b>Ross County Health District – LifeSkills</b>
	Salary support to teach LifeSkills Curriculum program to 7th-grade students in Huntington School District in Ross County. Curriculum teaches drug resistance skills, personal self-management skills and general social skills over 15 sessions.	
<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>Scioto</b>	<b>Northwest Elementary – Project B.A.T.S.</b>
	Support to Project B.A.T.S. (Bridging Authors to Students) for Ohio author to visit Northwest Elementary during the annual reading week in November and associated activities.	
<b>\$930.00</b>	<b>Tuscarawas</b>	<b>Indian Valley HS – Making Students Aware of Hispanic Cultures</b>
	Support for project, to begin in high school classroom and trickle down to the elementary grades, where students will provide presentations about cultures to younger students.	
<b>\$2,000.00</b>	<b>Washington</b>	<b>Frontier Middle School – OAT Olympics: Reach for the STaRs!</b>
	Support to project to improve OAT scores in Science through various activities throughout the year designed to increase student interest in science and to improve comprehension in science content reading to help improve OAT scores.	