

**Pacific Library Partnership
FY 2020/21 Innovation and Technology Grant Program**

Background

The PLP Executive Committee is continuing the very successful Innovation and Technology Opportunity Grant Program. For FY 2020/21, awards will be focused on grants that model innovative approaches and service models in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. No Replication Grants will be awarded in FY 2020/21. The total amount of available funds is \$74,000.

Funding Limits

Each grant application may not exceed \$5,000.

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Funds will be available to fund implementation of an idea, program or vision that provides a new service model or brings a fresh idea or interpretation to an existing model of library service. Reviewers will be asked to evaluate applications based on these criteria:

1. Service that introduces a new idea, program or vision that is not currently used in PLP or surrounding libraries in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Service that may benefit other PLP members in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. Service that may benefit other California libraries in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Review Panel

The PLP CEO will recruit a three-person panel from outside of PLP to review funding applications and provide feedback on the proposals.

Timeline

Grant applications are due on Friday, August 28, 2020 by 5:00 p.m.

Note: Successful awardees will be asked to complete an evaluation/survey process at the conclusion of the grant cycle and must be willing to share their experience with other PLP libraries at appropriate meetings and conferences.