

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

October 15, 2009

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GATES GRANT

- WHEREAS, The Cleveland Public Library is committed to providing access to information in all formats; and
- WHEREAS, The Cleveland Public Library participated in three (3) prior grants from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in 2000, 2004 and in 2006 which provided public access computers in various Library facilities; and
- WHEREAS, The Gates Foundation has selected the Library to receive funding in the amount of \$89,700 in Year 1, 2009, and \$54,600 in Year 2, 2010, to replace and upgrade existing equipment; and
- WHEREAS, This grant requires a 25% match of \$29,900 in Year 1 and a 50% match of \$54,600 in Year 2; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees of the Cleveland Public Library accept the two-year Opportunity Online Hardware Grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in the amount of \$144,300 into the Gates Fund Account: 243046-46100 Restricted Gifts; and further be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board approves a transfer of required matching funds from the General Fund Account: 13010055-55530 Computer Hardware for \$29,900 during 2009 and for \$54,600 during 2010 to the Gates Fund Account: 243049-49900 Transfers In.

Sent in by Michael
John



**Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Opportunity Online Hardware Grant
Intent to Participate**

Cleveland Public Library hereby certifies that it will participate in the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Online Opportunity grant. In doing so the Library Administration acknowledges that it understands and will fulfill all the responsibilities and requirements associated with this initiative.

In order to receive funding from the BMGF the Cleveland Public Library certifies that they will: (please check each item)

 x Submit the appropriate documentation certifying that year one matching funds in the amount of \$29,900 for the purpose of purchasing public access computers are available.

 x Complete the ALA/FSU Internet and Public Funding survey

 x Attend the "Turning the Page" advocacy training (up to 3 attendees)

Upon proof that the Library has completed all three requirements, the State Library of Ohio, on behalf of the BMGF, will issue the Cleveland Public Library a check in the amount of \$89,700.

Additionally, the Library understands that there are additional obligations and a match of \$54,600 for year two of the program.

This agreement becomes effective upon signing by the following parties:

Library Director: [Signature]
Date: 4/6/09

Fiscal Officer: H. Sandra Kuban
Date: 4/6/09

President of the Board: Alice G. Butts
Date: 4/6/09

Please return to the State Library of Ohio by April 24, 2009



State Library of Ohio

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April 3, 2009

Cleveland Public Library
325 Superior Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Mr. Thomas,

Based on concerns raised by the State Libraries acting as intermediaries for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) Opportunity Online grants, the Foundation has revised the hardware eligibility date for computers associated with the project. This means that some of your branches which were previously declared "not hardware vulnerable" are now eligible to be a part of the grant and/or branches previously eligible are now eligible for additional computers.

The following libraries are now eligible for inclusion in the proposal.

Library Branch	Number Year 1	Number Year 2
Broadway Branch Library	6	6
Carnegie West Branch	4	4
East 131 st St. Branch Library	11	10
Fleet Branch Library	5	4
Fulton Branch Library	6	5
Glenville Branch Library	4	4
Hough Branch Library	3	3
Langston Hughes Branch	2	2
Walz Branch Library	3	3
Woodland Branch Library	2	1

The number of additional workstations also means that the value of the computers and your match has also been revised. BMGF has placed a value of \$119,600 on the computers you will receive in year one. This means that the BMGF will provide \$89,700 and the library is responsible for the match of **\$29,900**. Under the requirements of the grant you must purchase the stated number of computers and they must be allocated to the outlets as noted.

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At this time, the State Library is asking that you re-confirm your intent to participate in the grant proposal which will be submitted to the Foundation. Please complete and have the appropriate persons sign the enclosed form and return to the State Library by **April 24, 2009**. We must have a signed intent to participate on file in order to include your library in the application.

Please note that the State Library of Ohio has been asked to submit a grant application. However, no grant has yet been awarded and we ask that you not announce your participation in this project until a grant award is officially made in July.

I apologize for any inconvenience or confusion. However, it is extremely gratifying that the BMGF has expanded the number of computers that will be available to Ohio public libraries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melissa B. Lodge".

Melissa B. Lodge
Head, Library Programs and Development