

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION-ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY (0519)

FISCAL YEAR 2018

AS ENACTED BY ACT 236 OF 2017

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Arkansas State Library serves as a resource for state government, for public libraries and for all Arkansas citizens, and offers services with an overall mission to provide all Arkansans with access to information. In addition, the State Library provides guidance and support for the development of local public libraries and library services. The agency administers state and federal funds appropriated for libraries and library development, including State Aid To Public Libraries funds and federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds (formerly Library Services and Construction Act). The State Library also is a regional depository for federal documents, and the official state depository and clearinghouse for state and local documents.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

The total appropriation for the State Library is \$12,927,682 in FY2018.

FUNDING SOURCES

The appropriations for the State Library are funded by general revenue, federal funds, cash and fund balances.

II) CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

LIBRARY - STATE OPERATIONS (APPROPRIATION 054)

This appropriation is funded with general revenues and is used for the general operations of the Arkansas State Library. The total appropriation is \$3,632,872 and includes the following change:

Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching - Decrease of \$103,967 in appropriation and general revenue funding for the elimination of three positions.

LIBRARY - FEDERAL OPERATIONS (APPROPRIATION 055)

This appropriation promotes access to information resources in all types of libraries, promotes access to library materials through electronic networks, and provides linkages between libraries. This appropriation is funded by the U.S. Department of Education - Institute of Museum and Library Services. The total appropriation is \$3,133,349 and includes the following changes:

Regular Salaries and Matching - Decrease of \$29,315 due to the elimination of one unfilled position.

Capital Outlay - Increase of \$75,000 to purchase resources for the collection housed in the library and to purchase network equipment and to restore one vehicle.

AID TO PUBLIC LIBRARY (APPROPRIATION 083)

This appropriation provides for state aid to local public libraries to supplement local libraries resources to encourage local library support, promote resource sharing, and improve local library resources. The total appropriation is \$5,700,000. This is an increase of \$38,880 to restore to the FY2017 appropriated amount and continue uninterrupted support of local libraries.

GRANTS ADMINISTRATION - CASH IN STATE TREASURY (APPROPRIATION 1XV)

This appropriation allows the State Library to expend cash grants awarded from sources such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation - U.S. Library Initiative. The total appropriation is \$573,000 and provides for the following changes:

Operating Expenses - increase of \$200,000 to maintain the current budget and have available appropriation for new grant opportunities.

Grants and Aid - Increase of \$200,000 in unfunded appropriation to maintain the current budget and have appropriation available for new grant opportunities.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS (Total FY2017 Authorized Positions: 56)

Total Positions FY 2018: 52

Total Base Level Positions: 56

Increase / (Decrease) over Base Level :(4)

Extra Help Positions FY2018: 12 (Total FY2017 Authorized Extra Help: 12)

Recommendation reflects the elimination of three positions from the State Operations appropriation and one position from the Federal Appropriation.

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

CARRY FORWARD: Authorizes the agency to carry forward unexpended balances of general revenue funding allocated to the Books and Subscriptions line item in the agency's State Operations Appropriation. Requires prior statement of need for the carry forward to DFA - Office of Budget, report to ALC or Joint Budget Committee (JBC) of all carried forward amounts, report of status of funds carried forward to ALC/JBC, and finally include all of the above information in the biennial budget manuals or a statement of non-compliance.

***LANGUAGE REVISED* PROMOTIONAL ITEMS:** Authorizes the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to establish, upon request by the State Library, a special appropriation line item to be used in the acquisition of promotional items. This language is revised to make this provision allowable only with the prior approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.