

**Choose to Read Ohio Grants**  
**Awarded: June 16, 2011**  
**Project Period: July 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011**

**Andover Public Library**

**Title Selected:** *B is for Buckeye* by Marcia Schonberg

**Activities:** Andover Public Library will partner with Pymatuning Valley School District and civic organizations to strengthen children's perception of the importance of reading. The book will be used as a read-aloud book for younger grades and at Head Start facilities and as an independent reading book for older grades. The program will conclude with an author visit and a family read-aloud day.

**Federal Request:** \$2,349 for books, author visit, and marketing materials.

**Contact:** [Susan Hill](#), 440.293.6792

**Green Local School District**

**Title Selected:** *The People Could Fly* by Virginia Hamilton

**Activities:** This project is designed to assist the community in understanding and embracing cultural diversity. Distance learning activities with the Ohio Historical Society, the Cleveland Institute of Music, and the Cincinnati Museum of Art, as well as activities with the Green Historical Society, will educate students on themes of cultural diversity. Readings and activities are closely aligned to Academic Content Standards.

**Federal Request:** \$4,662 for library materials (books, eBooks and A/V materials), distance learning activities, and marketing materials.

**Contact:** [Mary Ann Stahr](#), 330.896.7531

**Ohio School for the Deaf:**

**Title Selected:** *B is for Buckeye* by Marcia Schonberg, *The Last Day of Winter* by Denise Fleming, *The Giant of Seville: A "Tall" Tale Based on a True Story* by Dan Andreasen, *Otis* by Loren Long, and *Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep* illustrated by Will Hillenbrand

**Activities:** K-5 elementary students at Ohio School for the Deaf (OSD) will read each of the five books and collaborate on activities from the toolkits. They will then translate the books into ASL for presentation to other OSD students which will also be made available through videoconferencing to other locations.

**Federal Request:** \$1,021 for books.

**Contact:** [Nancy Boone](#), 614.728.1414

### **Sandusky Public Library**

**Title Selected:** *Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep* illustrated by Will Hillenbrand

**Activities:** Illustrator Will Hillenbrand will conduct sessions at the Jackson Learning Center of Sandusky City Schools and the Betty Rinderely Early Childhood Center (Erie County Board of Developmental Disabilities). He will also lead a family story time at the Sandusky Library. Before and after Hillenbrand's visits, the Sandusky Library's Preschool Librarian will conduct programs at these and other locations to present programs incorporating Hillenbrand's book and linking it to Ohio Early Learning Content Standards.

**Federal Request:** \$2,651 for author visit, books, promotional materials and craft supplies.

**Contact:** [Terri Estel](#), 419.625.3834

### **Wayne County Public Library**

**Title Selected:** *Firegirl* by Tony Abbott

**Activities:** A tween book club is being established at the library and this will be their first reading. There will be two discussion groups of 15 tweens in each. Additionally, sixth graders at two elementary schools will read and discuss the work with public library staff. Local speakers will discuss fire safety and prevention and how to avoid burn injuries at each participating site. The program will culminate with an author visit at both schools and at the public library.

**Federal Request:** \$2,280 for books, author visit, promotional materials, craft supplies, and National Fire Prevention Week bookmarks.

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