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#### ABSTRACT

The Adult Literacy Program at the Alameda County Library provided employment oriented programs. The project served a community of over 200,000 people, and targeted workforce/workplace learners. The project served 578 adult learners and provided 35,904 hours of direct tutoring service. The report provides a comparison of actual accomplishments to goals and objectives set forth in the grant application; comparison between proposed and actual expenditures; specific details of activities and actual expenditures; specific details of activities and actual expenditures; specific details of activities and actual expenditures; applied in the accomplishment of the goals and objectives, agencies and organizations that assisted in the project; and the impact of the federal project on the ongoing program of the library. Attachments include: final fourth quarter expense report, narrative summary of job counseling for period October 1992-September 1993, and program advertisements. (SWC)

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# LSCA Title VI Final Report Workplace Literacy

#### Part I. General Information

- 1. Alameda County Library Adult Literacy Program 2450 Stevenson Blvd. Fremont, CA 94538
- 2. Sherry Drobner (510)745-1484
- 3. Grant Number R167A20395
- 4. Grant Awarded: \$34,814; Grant Expended: \$34,822



#### FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

for

## LIBRARY SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION ACT TITLE VI LIBRARY LITERACY PROGRAM

(CFDA No. 84.167)

U.S. Department of Education Office of Educational Research and Improvement Library Programs

Washington, DC 20208-5571



ED G50-34-P

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Authority: Library Services and Construction Act, as amended, Public Law 98-480

#### General

The Final Performance Report will be used to provide information and data to the U.S. Department of Education for the Library Literacy Program, LSCA Title VI - CFDA No. 84.167.

The Final Performance Report for LSCA Title VI grants is required to be sent to the U.S. Department of Education 90 days after the end of the award period.

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Attention: 84.167 Final Performance Report

#### INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED IN THE FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Grantees should include the following information in their Final Performance Report:

#### Part I: General Information

- 1. Name and address of organization receiving grant. For joint projects, provide complete list of all participating institutions or organizations.
- 2. Name and telephone number of persons preparing this report.
- 3. Grant Number (R167A-395).
- 4. Grant amount awarded and the actual amount expended. REPORT ON FEDERAL LSCA TITLE VI FUNDS ONLY.



#### Part II: Quantitative Data

Provide the following information about this project by filling in the blanks or putting a checkmark next to the answer that best describes your project. If any of the questions are not relevant to this project, write N/A.

1.	What is the size of the community served by this project?
	under 10,000 between 10,000 - 25,000 between 25,000 - 50,000 between 50,000 - 100,000 between 100,000-200,000 ver 200,000
2.	What type of project was this? (Check as many as applicable)
	Retention Collection Development Tutoring Space Renovation Computer Assisted Coalition Building Other Technology Public Awareness X Employment Oriented Training Intergenerational/Family Rural Oriented English as a Second Language Basic Literacy (ESL) Other (describe)
3.	Did you target a particular population? (Check as many as applicable)  Homeless
4.	If this project involved tutoring, what tutoring method was used?  Laubach LVA Michigan Method Orton-Gillinghamx Other (describe)



5.	applicable)							
	one-on-one tutoringsmall group instructionclassroom instruction							
6.(a)	If this project involved tutoring, was the learning progress of the adult literacy students <u>quantitatively</u> measured? yes no							
	(If "yes", identify any tests, questionnaires, or standard methods used and summarize student results.)							
6.(b)	If this project involved tutoring, were <u>qualitative</u> outcomes of student progress documented? yesno							
	(If "yes", briefly describe how progress was determined and summarize student results. You may attach samples of any documents used to record observations or demonstrate outcomes.)							
7.	During the course of this project were any of the following items produced? If so, attach a copy to each copy of the report.							
	bibliography resource directory curriculum guide evaluation report training manual survey public relations audiovisual newsletter(s) training audiovisual other (describe) recruitment brochure							



8. During the course of this project:

How many adult learners were served? (i.e., individuals who made use of the
library's literacy project services in some way) 578
Of those served, how many received direct tutoring service?_A11
How many hours of direct tutoring service did they receive? _35904
How many new volunteer tutors were trained?95
How many current volunteer tutors received additional training? 60
How many volunteer tutors (total) were involved? 419
How many non-tutor volunteers were recruited? 12
How many service hours were provided by non-tutors?50
How many librarians were oriented to literacy methods, materials,
and students?24
How many trainers of tutors were trained?

#### Part III: Narrative Report

Provide a narrative report that includes the following information:

- 1. A comparison of actual accomplishments to the goals and objectives set forth in the approved application. Describe any major changes or revisions in the program with respect to approved activities, staffing, and budgeting, including unspent funds. Explain why established goals and objectives were not met, if applicable.
- 2. Provide a comparison between proposed and actual expenditures by budget category, i.e., personnel, travel, materials, etc.
- 3. Provide, as appropriate, specific details as to the activities undertaken e.g., if library materials were acquired, describe the kinds of materials purchased; if a needs assessment was conducted, describe the results of the assessment; if training was provided, describe the training and include the dates and topics; if services were contracted out, describe the contractor's activities.
- 4. Describe the role the library has played in the accomplishment of the goals and objectives set forth in the approved grant, including whether the library was involved in the project's implementation or as a resource and site only.
- 5. Provide names of agencies and organizations recruited to volunteer their services for the literacy program or that were involved in the coordination and planning of the literacy program. Describe the nature of their role.



6.	Provide the names and locations of libraries and other sites whose facilities were
	used for this project.

7.	Describe the impact of the Federal project on the ongoing program of the
	grantee.

Note: Narrative reports are not expected to exceed 20 double-spaced typewritten pages.

[Further monies or other benefits may, but not necessarily, be withheld under these programs unless these reports are completed and filed as required by existing law and regulations (20 U.S.C. 351 et seq.; 34 CFR Parts 75 and 77).]



#### Part III: Narrative Report

 Comparison of actual accomplishments to the goals and objectives set forth in the application.

#### Objective:

To establish sixteen work place literacy workshops for the purpose of addressing self-esteem, communication, and practical job search skills for students as well as assistance with lesson planning and learning methods for tutors.

#### Accomplishments:

Michael James, a respected and experienced literacy instructor offered six workshops in Fremont, four work shops in San Lorenzo and four workshops in Pleasanton for students. The workshops in Fremont were well attended and students expressed to staff that the discussions were useful. The workshops in Pleasanton were well attended for two sessions, but lack of attendance in the third and fourth session. The workshops in San Lorenzo were poorly attended at the first session and it was decided that further sessions would be held at Fremont Library where the majority of students reside.

Because Mr. James' expertise revolves around student curriculum, the job counselor hired for the program conducted separate sessions for tutors to discuss lesson planning and learning methods directed toward work related issues. Twenty



tutors participated in tutor round table discussions which included training in the use of the new materials.

#### Objective:

To identify a minimum of 50 students interested in either obtaining or improving employment and providing them with career development information at weekly job clinics.

#### Accomplishment:

A total of forty-seven students participated in job counseling, either in one-to-one sessions or in small groups. Counseling was offered on-site at Fremont Main Library and the branches in Union City, San Lorenzo, and Pleasanton. The primary purpose of the counseling was to provide information and referral regarding employment opportunities, vocational training programs, legal rights, and other vocational or employment related issues, particularly as they relate to the needs of adult literacy students. In addition, with the assistance of the job counselor, students prepared individualized job search plans, wrote their resumes, prepared to take entrance examinations, practiced filling out job application, write cover letters, and practiced the interview.

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Seventeen students participated in small group sessions of job counseling. During these sessions, students completed vocational interest assessment, learned the parts and structure of a resume and cover letter and discussed with the job counselor various questions and concerns related to the job search or current employment.

#### Objective:

To create greater awareness of work place literacy issues by recruiting four employers who will hire qualified learners from the program.

#### Accomplishment:

Although contacts were made to local companies and the Office of Employment Development, this final link from job search preparation to gainful employment was not successful. Although companies were interested in the literacy issue, and as a result asked our program to provide services (both at New United Motors in Fremont and Reynolds Canning Company in Hayward), students were not hired.

The numbers of hours budgeted for the job counselor/developer were insufficient for this final stage of the grant. At minimum, a .80 position would be needed to provide both the job counseling and job development components as set forth in this grant.

### 2. Comparison between proposed and actual expenditures by budget category:



Pro	oposed	Actual
Salary	0	0
Fringe Benefit	0	0
Travel	0	0
Equipment	0	0
Supplies	0	0
Contractual serv.	0	0
Library Materials	2,500	2,484
Other	29,736	29,759
Indirect	2,579	2,579
Total	34,815	34,822

#### 3. Details about activities undertaken.

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#### such as:

- \*developing essential employability skills
- \*oral histories on work and society
- \*employment issues facing adults new to the U.S.
- \*interaction on the job
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Since participating in job counseling, several students have asked for additional copies of their resumes, for referrals for specific occupation needs, and for consultation.



#### 4. Role of the library

The library branch of Union City offered use of its existing Job Center to house materials and is a major referral source for the job counselor. The Union City Branch hosted a job fair and invited our job counselor to be present and recruit potential students for our program. Favorable publicity followed this event. The Business Library, located at Fremont Main Library, also provided the job counselor and students with critical referral information about employment issues. The library also provided space for discussion groups and job counseling.

#### 5. Agencies and organizations recruited to assist.

The job counselor spoke on numerous occasions with the Employment Development Department and the Department of Labor to verify and ascertain federal and local employment regulations. She also worked with the Regional Occupation Program and the local Adult Schools as sources for referral for the students.

#### 6. Library sites utilized in grant.

Union City Library, Fremont Main Library, San Lorenzo Library and Pleasanton Library.

#### 7. Impact of the Federal project on the organization.

This grant was of extreme importance to the students who took advantage of the opportunities offered by a job counselor. The grant allowed us to provide assistance not otherwise available to students (at no cost). One of the basic activities, the creation



of a resume, resulted in a finished product for students to give potential employers. Most importantly, the process encouraged self-examination and enhanced the self-esteem of students who had never acknowledged their strengths in such a specific manner.





#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND IMPROVEMENT

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Dear Colleague:

We are closing out <u>all</u> Fiscal Year 1992 grants for the LSCA Title VI, Library Literacy Program. In order to complete this process, we will need your FY 1992 Final Performance Report. Please submit the report (referenced below) as soon as possible.

Grant Number

Project Period

Report Due Date

R167A20392

10/1/92-9/30/93

12/31/93

Enclosed is a copy of the report instructions for your use.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Patricia Murray Program Assistant

Library Literacy Program

Enclosure



ALAMEDA COUNTY LIERARY

File: 0160-93

Created: 1/29/93 (cp)
WORKPLACE LITERACY GRANT (0160) 1992/93 Revised: 11/10/93

4th GTR. REPORT - FINAL

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TOTAL ALL CATESCRIES: 34,812.92
TOTAL UNSPENT FUNDS: (7.92)

cc: Sherry Drobner Carolyn Moskovitz Joy Cadona - Halen Dunbar



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--Melinda Clemmons

Job Counselor



#### Narrative Summary of Job Counseling Alameda County Library Adult Literacy Program October 1992 - September 1993

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# Do you need to find a job?

Are you happy in the job you have? Would you like to be self-employed?

The Adult Literacy Program can help you!

#### Job Counseling

Melinda Clemmons will meet with you one to one to help you decide what kind of job you would like to have. You can meet at least three times, for an hour each time. Together you will begin to think about:

Where you like to work

Your skills

The people and things you most like to work with

What sort of salary you want

How to find a job: who to call, where to go, what to do.

Call us at 745-1480 to make an appointment See dates and times below.

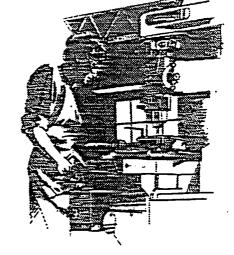
Fremont Library
 Monday evenings
 6 - 9 P.M.
 Conference Room 3 (Starting in January, Conference Room A)

Union City Library
 Third Tuesday of each month
 6 - 9 P.M.
 Career Center - upstairs

Pleasanton Library
 Second Tuesday of each month
 6 - 9 P.M.
 Small meeting room

San Lorenzo Library
 First Tuesday of each month
 6 - 9 P.M.

Check in at reference desk







Tutors-Please discuss
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FREE Call to sign up 745-1485

# Reading, Writing and Talking About Work



#### A four week class.

- Do you look forward to going to work each day or do you work only because you have to?
- Do you think you deserve to enjoy your work?
- What kind of work would you like to do?
- Start to think about making a change!

San Lorenzo Adult School 820 Bockman Road, San Lorenzo Room 11 Thursdays, May 6, 13, 20, 27 7 – 9 P.M.

Adult Literacy Program 4/93

# JOB COUNSELING WORKSHOP (TWO-PART) WITH MELINDA CLEMONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 FREMONT LIBRARY, CONFERENCE ROOM 3

9 - 10 A.M.

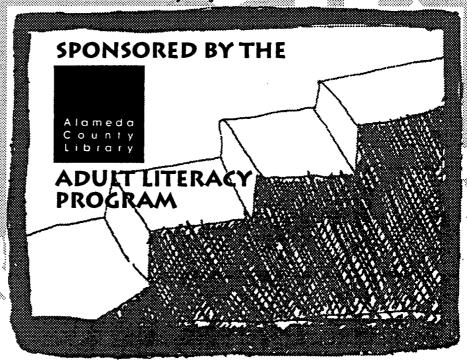
Discussion group for former Job Counseling participants.

We will get together and exchange information and ideas about the job search.

10 A.M. - 12 NOON

Job skills workshop for students who have never attended a job counseling session.

- We will talk about how to get a job and keep it.
- Resume Writing
- Learn how to do your job search.



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