

USBBY Special Projects Fund

Purpose: Funds are to be used for worthy domestic (U.S.) and international (IBBY-related) projects that merit USBBY support and are approved by the USBBY Board.

You are invited to submit an application via email to V. Ellis Vance, Special Projects Fund chairperson, vev40@comcast.net. **Deadline is August 1.**

Application Process:

1. A written application must be submitted to the Special Projects Committee, to include:
 - a. Title of project and category (domestic or international)
 - b. Project description: purpose, summary, timeline
 - c. List of responsible partners and human resources involved
 - d. Participants who may benefit or take part
 - e. Implementation plan
 - f. Budget and possible sources of matching funding
 - g. Tangible results expected and the effect on long-term planning; semi-annual reports of program implementation and use of funds are required of recipients (project photos are welcome)
 - h. Letter(s) of support for project
2. The application must include the name, mailing address, phone and fax numbers, and email address of the applicant.

Selection Process:

1. The Special Projects Committee will review submitted applications for possible funding recommendations by the committee to the Board.
2. The Board will have final approval before any project is funded.
3. No more than \$4,000 will be awarded to any one project.

The following criteria will be considered for funding of projects:

1. Urgency of need
2. Quality of the proposed project
3. Short-term and long term benefits
4. Compatible with IBBY and USBBY's mission and goals

USBBY Mission: The mission of USBBY is to promote international understanding and good will through books for children and young adults, by

- Exploring and promoting materials of literary merit for young people worldwide;
- Cooperating with IBBY and other organizations with similar goals as USBBY;
- Facilitating the exchange of information about books of international interest for children/young people; and
- Promoting reading of such books by children and young people in the U.S.

IBBY Mission: The mission of IBBY is to:

- Promote international understanding through children's books;
- Give children everywhere the opportunity to have access to books of high literary and artistic standards;
- Encourage the publication and distribution of quality children's books especially in developing countries;
- Stimulate research and scholarly works in the field of children's literature including the production and distribution of children's books;
- Provide support and training for those involved with children and children's literature.