

**El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
The Year of the Child 2010**

Representing the County Library System

Library Director:

Jeanne Amos

Youth Services Librarian:

Carolyn Brooks, El Dorado Hills

Thank you for inviting us to participate in the Year of the Child. We are excited to share with you all the services we provide to children and give you a snapshot of the impact we make in the lives of our county's most precious and valuable resource: Children.

We have always provided quality services and programming to our community's families however, with grant funding from First 5 El Dorado we have been able to expand our in-house programming at all six branches and create a very successful outreach program. We are proud to have reached 43,050 parents and children at 1,700 library-sponsored programs. These include baby storytimes, preschool storytimes, Spanish storytimes, preschool library tours and a special Play & Grow program which connects families with local professionals to support the healthy development of young children. Our outreach specialists visited 127 preschools and home daycares sharing the gift of literature, modeling best practices, and promoting the services offered by our county's libraries.

We recognize the needs in our county and are honored to be able to provide so much to so many. We thank you for your continued support in our efforts to reach, teach, and inspire the children of El Dorado County.