

California State Library

**Early Learning with Families @ Your Library  
Implementation Plan Narrative**

Submit ORIGINAL (signed in blue ink) and three (3) copies to be received by 4:00 p.m. Friday, November 9, 2007 to Attn: Suzanne Flint, Library Development Services, California State Library, P.O. Box 942837, Sacramento, CA 94237-0001, for mail. (Non-postal delivery: 900 N Street, Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95814.) Fax is not acceptable. For additional information: (916) 651-9796 or [sflint@library.ca.gov](mailto:sflint@library.ca.gov).

Library El Dorado County Library Date 11/01/07

1. State the objective you wish to achieve through this ELF Project.

The El Dorado County Library plans to implement a new program, Mother Goose on the Loose, for our 2007/2008 ELF project. We aim to increase childcare providers' and parents' confidence in supporting young children's early development, learning and literacy skills. We also plan to increase supportive parental and caregiver behaviors that promote early learning and literacy skills.

2. Identify the families who are your target audience(s). Briefly describe how you will reach them.

Our target audience for our ELF project are families with infants from 0 to two years old . We plan to reach these families through publicity at the libraries as well as through outreach efforts. Through our collaboration with First 5 El Dorado, we will distribute publicity materials to numerous community agencies, as well as pediatric offices, preschools, and day care providers. We will augment the library's web site to attract more parents to the newly-developed programs. Our programs will be held on different days and times in various locations to accommodate caregivers' schedules.

3. Briefly describe what you will be doing for this ELF project. Specify whether you will enhance existing or create new family programming, family friendly space, or both. Describe how you will include parents in the process, as well as how current Children's Services will be changed.

Through ELF funding combined with a grant from the California First Five Commission (First Five El Dorado), we plan to dramatically alter our children's services. Our focus will change from directly reaching children to directly reaching families. The ELF project will allow us to purchase the puppets, feltboards, manuals and other items needed to implement the *Mother Goose on the Loose* program at three branches, and we will prepare to implement it in three more libraries in 2008. We have never had programming for babies and toddlers, and *Mother Goose on the Loose* will help us to reach an entirely new and critical audience. Through surveys, parents will be invited to share their early learning practices and needs. They will become our collaborators in developing healthy young children, and they will provide feedback to aid our libraries as we continue to enhance and improve our programs.

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4. Name resource people and/or community partner(s) with whom you plan to work.

Our partners in developing our early learning programs with ELF are First 5 El Dorado, Family Connections, Choices for Children, Target Stores, Inc., Cameron Park Medical Group, and the Friends of the Library. We are partnering with our Library Literacy Services also, and will develop family literacy programming, including bilingual storytimes.

5. Budget

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>LSTA FUNDS</b>	<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>	<b>IN-KIND</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Salary &amp; benefits</b>		\$50,000*		\$50,000*
<b>Library Materials</b>				
<b>Operation</b>	\$5,000			\$5,000
<b>Equipment</b>				
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$5,000	\$50,000		\$55,000

6. Budget Narrative: Please explain and itemize the budget line items above.

\*Salary and benefits includes a grant from First 5 El Dorado to expand and enhance children’s programs for zero to five year olds, including, but not exclusive to, Mother Goose on the Loose programming. We have placed it in the budget to clarify our ability to increase programming at three libraries, and plan for programming at three more.

Operations:

Mother Goose on the Loose manuals/music	\$ 750
Puppets	500
Flannel boards and pieces	1,500
Music, rhythm, and movement instruments & props	1,700
Books	500
Storage	50
	\$ 5,000

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7. Certification.

I have read this Early Learning with Families @ Your Library Implementation Plan and affirm that the jurisdiction or agency named below is the legally designated fiscal agent for this program and is authorized to receive and expend funds for the conduct of this program.

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