

STATE LIBRARY

II. KEY MEASURE ANALYSIS

Agency Mission: The mission of the Oregon State Library is to provide quality information services to Oregon state government, provide reading materials to blind and print-disabled Oregonians, and provide leadership, grants, and other assistance to improve local library services for all Oregonians.

Data are reported on the Oregon fiscal year. The data is gathered from library automated system database, Utah State Library (Braille) and Mid-Illinois Alliance (downloadable audiobooks). Internal reporting is done a quarterly basis and checked for accuracy and consistency. Budget data are taken from the annual budget report of the agency.

KPM #8	USE OF BEST PRACTICES IN SERVING CHILDREN (Revised 1-22-07) Percent of public library grantees incorporating best practices in their services to children.	Measure since: 2006
Goal	GOAL 3: Lead public libraries to achieve excellence in services to children.	
Oregon Context	OBM 18: Percent of Oregon children entering school ready-to-learn.	
Data source	Annual survey of Ready to Read Grant recipients by the Library Development Services department.	
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1. OUR STRATEGY

Provide basic youth services training and ongoing education on best practices for local library staff.

2. ABOUT THE TARGETS

The goal of this measure is to increase the use of best practices in library service to children in libraries in Oregon. These include library outreach to underserved children, conducting summer reading programs in the summer, and providing early literacy training for parents and caregivers.

3. HOW WE ARE DOING

This measure is new. The baseline has been set using data from the 2005-2006 public library survey administered to all public libraries in Oregon.

4. HOW WE COMPARE

The library can find no comparable measurement used by other libraries or government agencies.

5. FACTORS AFFECTING RESULTS

This is a new measure, ongoing analysis is not available.

6. WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

Passage of HB 2116 narrowed the focus of the Ready to Read Grants to early literacy and summer reading services in the 2007-2008 grant cycle. This new focus will help us to hit our targets in the 2007-09 biennium.

7. ABOUT THE DATA

Data are reported on the Oregon Fiscal Year and accuracy depends on self-reporting by public libraries. We will not receive the 2006-07 data until after October 1, 2007.

