Program Overview

**Talk Story: Sharing Stories, Sharing Culture** is a literacy program that reaches out to Asian Pacific American (APA) and American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) children and their families. The program celebrates and explores Asian Pacific American (APA) and American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) stories through books, oral traditions, and art to provide an interactive, enriching experience. Children and their families can connect to rich cultural activities through *Talk Story* in their homes, libraries, and communities.

This grant is aimed to give financial support to libraries and community organizations who want to introduce a Talk Story program into their library, focusing on APA or AIAN cultures.

**Eligibility**

Libraries and community organizations that serve children and their families are eligible to apply. We encourage libraries and community organizations to work together on a *Talk Story* program.

Submit an Application and 500 word essay detailing what your library would do with the award and what types of programs highlighting APA and AIAN cultures you are interested in planning for your community. You may apply for either an APALA grant OR an AILA grant.

**Deadline**

Applications must be received by February 1, 2011
Award will be announced by March 1, 2011

Return applications for Asian Pacific American themed programs to the APALA Family Literacy Task Force chair, Lessa Pelayo-Lozada at lessalozada@gmail.com or mail to 701 Silver Spur Rd.
Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274

Return applications for American Indian/Native Alaskan themed programs to the AILA Family Literacy Task Force chair, Liana Juliano at lj12116@yahoo.com or mail to 12116 Hallwood Dr
El Monte, CA 91732
**Award Amount**

$500 grant from APALA  
OR  
$500 grant from AILA

**Selection Criteria**

Awardees will be selected based upon creativity and originality of the implementation of the *Talk Story* program as well as financial need. Selection will also be based upon involvement of the library, community and community organizations as participants, leaders, and promoters of the proposed *Talk Story* program.

**Use of Funds**

Funds may be used to purchase library materials such as books, audiovisual materials, supplies for activities/crafts, programming costs such as hiring a storyteller, etc. Funds must be used to support at least one Asian Pacific American or one American Indian/Alaskan Native themed program for children and their families at the library who receives the grant. The association you apply to directly will determine the program theme. Spending of funds and a brief report of the completed program must be reported to the APALA/AILA Family Literacy Focus committee by December 31, 2011. Funds must be used by November 30, 2011.

**Application**

See attached sheet
2011 Grant Application
Sponsored by APALA & AILA

1. Contact & Institutional Information
Name of Contact ____________________________________________________________
Institution ________________________________________________________________
Address _________________________________________________________________
Phone _________________________________________________________________
Email _________________________________________________________________

2. Type of Library or Institution (Please check one):
___ Public Library
___ Academic Library
___ School Library
___ Tribal Library
___ Community Organization

3. Statement of Need
Please write a brief paragraph describing why your library or institution has a financial need for this grant.

4. Proposed Budget
Using the grid on the following page, please let us know your estimated proposed budget. Please allow no more than 10% of your budget to be used for refreshments and decorations.

4. Narrative
In 500 words, please describe your community and how this grant will benefit them. Also describe briefly and in as much detail as possible how you plan to use the funds if awarded.
## Proposed Budget

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