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Laura Bush Foundation Announces \$1,071,000 in Grants To Gulf Coast School Libraries

The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries announced today \$1,071,000 in Gulf Coast School Library Recovery Initiative grants to twenty-four schools in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas. These grants are in addition to the previous 101 grants in Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida and Texas since the first awards were made in May 2006. Total grants to date through the GCSLRI total over \$5.7 million.

Many schools in the Gulf Coast region have been destroyed or severely damaged by storms and hurricanes, and part of the destruction was the loss of the schools' libraries. As a response to Mrs. Bush's concern for the students of these affected schools, the Laura Bush Foundation established a special fund to help re-establish the book collections for the school libraries.

Grantees announced today at John McDonogh Senior High School in New Orleans include:

- Alba Middle School Bayou La Batre, AL
- Andrew H. Wilson Charter School New Orleans, LA
- Bay High School Bay St. Louis, MS
- Central-Weis Middle School Galveston, TX - NOTE: to fund 2 middle schools
- Chalmette High School 9th Grade Academy Chalmette, LA
- Frederick A. Douglass Senior High School New Orleans, LA
- Greater Gentilly High School New Orleans, LA
- Gretna Middle School Gretna, LA
- Hackberry High School Hackberry, LA
- Jackson High School Jackson, AL
- John McDonogh Senior High School New Orleans, LA
- Lake Forest Elementary Charter School New Orleans, LA
- Lusher Charter/Fortier Campus New Orleans, LA
- Nichols Elementary School Biloxi, MS
- Patrick F. Taylor Science and Technology Regional Academy Jefferson, LA
- Paul B. Habans Elementary School New Orleans, LA
- Sarah T. Reed School of Math, Science and Technology New Orleans, LA
- South Cameron High School Grand Chenier, LA

- St. Rosalie School Harvey, LA
- St. Stanislaus College Bay St. Louis, MS
- T H Harris Middle School Metairie, LA
- W. G. Schneckenburger Elementary School Kenner, LA
- West Jefferson High School Harvey, LA

The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries

On June 30, 2001, Laura Bush announced the creation of The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries as a component fund of the Community Foundation for the National Capital Region. The mission of the Laura Bush Foundation is to support the education of our country's neediest students by helping schools expand, diversify and update the book collections of school libraries. For more information, please visit www.laurabushfoundation.org.

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