

2022 RAILS Back to School Fest



# Grants for school libraries



# My Library Is... Grants for School Libraries



- Apply for up to \$5k for marketing/promotion/advocacy efforts
- Must include a statement of equity, diversity, and inclusion
- Video applications are accepted
- Applications launching early 2023

# Types of projects funded in 2022

- Poster maker & photo editing software
- VR headsets & subscriptions
- Video equipment
- New labeling system
- Recording studio
- Expanding graphic novel collections
- Gardening equipment
- Local history digitization project

# RAILS CE Event Grant

- Up to \$2k for training or continuing education events
- Primarily for libraries, consortia, or networking groups (not for individual staff members)
- To qualify, CE events must be made available to all RAILS member libraries and of interest to a wide range of library staff.
- RAILS will also prioritize events focused on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.
- Applications will be launching in Fall 2022

# ISL School District Library Grant



- For public school districts only
- Must be a member of a library system to qualify
- \$.0885 per student funding
- Minimum award per district \$850
- Applications due October 15

# Other School Library Grants

- AISLE
- ILA
- ALA
- Library of Congress
- National Endowment for the Humanities
- 3M Foundation
- DuPage Community Foundation
- Community Foundation of Northern Illinois
- Ezra Jack Keats Foundation
- Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries