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Michigan Kids to See More Summer Technology, Literacy Programs at Public Libraries Under 2019 Grant \$153,554 Available to 92 Libraries Statewide

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LANSING – Michigan children and teens will enjoy more summer technology and literacy programs at 90-plus public libraries with grants of up to \$2,0000 each, the Library of Michigan (LM) announced today.

Under the 2019 Public Library Services grant program, now in its third year and made possible in part by the <u>Institute of Museum and Library Services</u>, 92 public libraries in Michigan have received total funding of \$153,554 at levels of \$500 to \$2,000.

Grant recipients across the state have a wide range of creative ideas for using their grants, and Michigan's youth are the beneficiaries. Among the programs these grants will fund include:

- teens may participate in an arts and ecology program on Rabbit Island through the Portage Lake District Library in Houghton;
- teens and "tweens" statewide can learn coding through various robotics activities; and
- Southfield Public Library will offer space-science programming based on the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing.

For more information about the LSTA Public Library Services grant program or for a list of individual grantees, please go to www.michigan.gov/lsta.

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