

*Reading is Grand!*  
CELEBRATING GRAND-FAMILIES,  
TELLING OUR STORIES  
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*A Family Literacy Project of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association, Inc.*

**2021 Grant Application  
Sponsored by BCALA**

Name of Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Position of the Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Library or Institution Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Type of Library or Institution (Please check one):**

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Library         | <input type="checkbox"/> School Library            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Library       | <input type="checkbox"/> Community College Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Library        | <input type="checkbox"/> Rural Library             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organization |  |

**3. Provide the theme/title of your 2021 *Reading is Grand!* Program.**

**4. Provide the location, starting and ending date, and time of your 2021 *Reading is Grand!* Program.**

**5. Describe the purpose of your 2021 Reading is Grand! Program. (See Grant Criteria requirements.)**

**6. Describe the activity and/or special guest of your 2021 *Reading is Grand!* Program. The program can be virtual, face-to-face, or a hybrid.**

**7. Describe your community. Include demographics such as population, ethnicity, socio-economic, and other relevant information. Describe the role your library, institution, and/or organization plays in the community. Describe the role community partners will play in the Reading is Grand! activity/program.**

**8. Proposed Budget**

Using the grid below, please indicate your estimated proposed budget. Collection development funds must be at least **25%** or more of your budget. Please allow no more than **15%** of your budget to be used for refreshments.

Name of the library and/or organization that will administer the grant:

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<b>Budget Categories</b>	<b>Describe Budget</b>	<b>Estimated Cost for each request</b>	<b>Total Costs</b>
<b>Publicity</b> (Includes printing and postage costs)			
<b>Materials and Supplies</b> (For example, craft materials purchased for program)			
<b>Collection Development</b> (Note: Books depicting African American culture, must be at <b>\$187.50 or more</b> (or <b>25% or more</b> of budget)			
<b>Professional Fees</b> (Optional, cost to hire storyteller/speaker)			
<b>Other</b> Refreshments must be no more \$112.50 (or 15% of budget)			
<b>Total Projected Cost</b>	\$_____	\$_____	\$_____

## Use of 2021 Grant Funds

\*Recipients of 2019 Awards are eligible to apply for the *Reading is Grand!* grant. **BCALA Services to Children and Families of African Descent Committee members who are or will be reviewing the applications cannot apply for the Reading is Grand! grant.**

\*The African American culture themed program must be held during the month of **September 2021**. (Note: National Grandparents Day is **Sunday, September 12, 2021**)

\*The award amount is **\$750**. The award amount of **\$750** may be used to purchase books, supplies, and/or activities for the 2021 program based upon the proposed budget. A financial report, narrative program report, and 5-10 digital photos (if face to face) or screenshots (if virtual) of the event must be received by **November 1, 2021**. The photos and narrative program report will be used in a multimedia presentation that will be uploaded to the BCALA website.

**\*Grant reports which do not indicate that funds were spent appropriately will result in the awardee returning the financial award for a full or partial amount.**

\*All flyers, publicity, and correspondences regarding the 2021 grant program must state, **“This event is sponsored by Black Caucus of the American Library Association, Inc.”**

I agree that I will be required to submit a financial report, including receipts; a narrative program report; and 5-10 digital photos (as jpegs, if face-to-face) or 5-10 screenshots (in jpeg, if virtual) via email or U.S. Mail (on a USB flash drive) to the Chair of Reading is Grand! by **November 1, 2021**.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

If returning by email, please type your name in the signature line followed by the words, “via email.”

### **Grant Period:**

Applications must be received by **May 7, 2021**.

Grant award will be announced on **June 27, 2021** during the BCALA Virtual Membership meeting at the ALA Annual Conference.

### **Send application via Email and FAX to:**

Karen Lemmons, Chair

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FAX: (313) 494-2129

Email: krlemmons@att.net

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