
LITERACY WORKS II

Newfoundland and Labrador

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Foreword

In the last decade, the federal and provincial governments have supported hundreds of literacy projects in Newfoundland and Labrador. These projects have been sponsored by volunteer organizations, colleges, school boards, unions, community centres and others dedicated to promoting literacy and making services more accessible. A previous book, *Literacy Works: Newfoundland and Labrador* (1995), describes projects carried out from 1988 to early 1994. The present volume covers 1994 to the end of January 1997.

The funding has been used for a wide variety of projects. Some groups produced manuals for instructors and organizers, or learning materials based on local culture and history. Others made learning more accessible with computer software, cable television and audiovisual recording. There have been projects in research, strategic planning, rural community outreach, instructor training, tutoring, family and school literacy, workplace literacy and many other activities.

This book has two parts: one for the federal-provincial funding program jointly administered by the National Literacy Secretariat at Human Resources Development Canada in partnership with the Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Education; and the other for projects supported by the province's Literacy Development Council since 1995.

The projects are grouped by fiscal year. Each is briefly described and identified by title, year, organization name, contact and address. The projects are also indexed at the back according to title, sponsoring organization and subject area. Some of the organizations no longer exist or have changed names. Where possible, new and old names are listed. In the case of regional colleges, which have recently amalgamated, the original college names are used for easier reference.

Information on projects came directly from the project sponsors. A questionnaire was sent out for each project, followed by telephone conversations to ensure complete coverage. Draft project descriptions were sent back for approval prior to the final editing of the text. Both funding agencies also gave their assistance and support. The Literacy Development Council and the National Literacy Secretariat provided project master lists and additional information where needed.

This booklet is being made available through the efforts of the Literacy Development Council in partnership with the National Literacy Secretariat.

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SECTION 1

National Literacy Secretariat

Federal-Provincial Projects

1994-1997

PROJECT TITLE **The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS) Newfoundland and Labrador Literacy Plan**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Rural Development Council developed a provincial literacy plan to guide agencies and groups involved with literacy funding under The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy. The plan is presented in a document entitled *Building a Learning Culture*. The document discusses literacy issues in the province and recommends that programs work to remove stigmatization, form partnerships, try new teaching approaches, tie literacy with economic development, include fishery people in decision-making and set up more community-based outreach programs.

PROJECT TITLE **Basic Skills Needs Assessment: Phase I**

SPONSOR Operating Engineers Education and Development
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Union wanted to offer literacy skills upgrading to help members adapt to new technology and trades training. A needs assessment of provincial members in various trades found that many in construction, especially heavy equipment, needed upgrading in workplace numeracy, reading and computerized equipment use. Another part of this research defined the pre-skills literacy requirements for each trade. A report is available from the Union.

PROJECT TITLE **Building a Learning Culture: A Literacy Conference**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY *Are the Barriers Coming Down?* was the theme of a conference attended by 150 people in the fall of 1995. Learners, volunteer tutors, professional literacy providers and government representatives met to provide feedback on the Rural Development Council's literacy plan. Through panel presentations and workshops, participants discussed literacy outreach, learners' concerns, institutional literacy programs, workplace literacy and links between literacy and economic development.

PROJECT TITLE **Building on Strengths**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Some of the residents in the Labrador community served by this Centre have a disability which is a barrier to their learning. The Centre provided a training program for staff, volunteers and family members who are working with the people who have this disability. Information was made available to other communities which have residents with special needs. The Centre also set up peer tutoring, computer-assisted instruction and learning activities for young children.

PROJECT TITLE **Community-Based Literacy in Central Labrador: A Long-Term Plan**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Meetings and focus groups were held with learners and literacy providers in Central Labrador. Participants reviewed current services to identify the most effective delivery methods. The consultation resulted in a tutor training plan and a public relations strategy featuring partnerships with service organizations. Initial steps were taken towards an integrated approach among all service providers.

PROJECT TITLE **Community-Centred Volunteer Program**

SPONSOR Brother T.I. Murphy Learning Resource Centre
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Centre introduced tutoring to help some participants with motivation and skills. Twelve participants said that they would like to have tutors. The Centre promoted the idea, recruited volunteers and trained them. Each tutor was matched with a learner. At the end of the trial period, participants showed an increase in motivation and self-esteem, and their academic work improved. Learners were encouraged to become tutors, and one began tutoring in the first year.

PROJECT TITLE **Community Learning Centre ABE Level I**

SPONSOR The Longside Club
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Longside Club is a centre for physically, mentally or socially disadvantaged adults. This project piloted ABE Level I training for people who need individual attention, physical assistance and other support in the classroom. Nine students registered for the program. The standard Level I curriculum was supplemented with speakers, projects, outings and the Longside Club's theatre activity. The program also received support from Cabot College.

PROJECT TITLE **Community Literacy Centre**

SPONSOR Westviking College
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project laid the groundwork for a stronger community literacy network in the White Bay Central area of the Northern Peninsula. Research in each community identified the needs of current and future learners and tutors. Community literacy classes were organized, brochures and newsletters were produced, a curriculum was developed and volunteer tutors were trained. The project set up a Literacy Resource Centre in Roddickton and helped in the formation of Laubach Literacy local council.

PROJECT TITLE **Computer-Based Literacy Program**

SPONSOR John Howard Society of Newfoundland
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Society consulted with the Provincial Advisory Committee on Inmate Education, and Laubach Literacy of Canada, to design and carry out a strategy for literacy program delivery in correctional settings. Volunteer literacy programs were established at four sites, with computer technology and software. Peer tutoring was set up at one location. A procedure for data collection and monitoring was established. A manual, *Guidelines for Literacy Volunteers in Correctional Settings*, is available on the NALD website (<http://www.nald.ca/province/nfld/jhsnf/volguide.htm>).

PROJECT TITLE **Computerized Literacy Environment and Resource Centre**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The College collaborated with the public library system to place a comprehensive selection of literacy resources in the libraries in Burgeo, Port Aux Basques and St. Anthony. The materials included print, video, software and hardware, chosen in consultation with College and library staff. In addition, librarians received computer and internet training. The project increased the accessibility of these kinds of resources.

PROJECT TITLE **Developing a Social and Cultural Context for Adult Literacy**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Professional writers were trained to write for adult basic education students. Each then researched and wrote essays on the province's social history. The result is the *Newfoundland and Labrador Adult Basic Education Social History Series*. This collection of ten booklets, with photos and study guides, was tested with adult literacy students. The booklets deal with the Great Depression, work, health, multiculturalism, the new economy and the social safety net. They are available in libraries and from the Writers' Alliance. Cabot College was a partner in this project.

PROJECT TITLE **Documentation of Literacy Initiatives in Newfoundland and Labrador**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project was designed to help literacy providers share information about projects funded by the National Literacy Partnership Strategy from 1988 to 1994. The grant funded research, writing, publication and distribution. Information came from the funding agency and the project sponsor. Sponsors were also asked to approve the text. *Literacy Works* was printed and distributed to libraries, community groups, government agencies, literacy providers and project sponsors.

PROJECT TITLE **Effective Teacher Training in Alpha**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Alpha is an ABE program developed for francophones on the Port au Port Peninsula, using the provincial ABE program as a guide. In this project, elementary and secondary school teachers were trained in how to use the program. The teachers became familiar with the Alpha curriculum and content, and they learned some ABE delivery techniques and strategies.

PROJECT TITLE **Family Literacy Program/Projet de lecture familiale**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY A pre-school preparation program was set up, with regular home visits to the families of three-year-olds. The program was designed to promote the use of French, prepare children for a school environment and encourage parents to participate in their children's education. During home visits, children learned games to build vocabulary and self-confidence, and parents received information. Parents also attended workshops at the school and the Family Resource Centres.

PROJECT TITLE **Family Literacy Project**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project was designed to help new parents encourage their infants to love language play, stories and books. The group produced a calendar containing rhymes, book suggestions and information on early childhood development. They made up kits, containing the calendar, a book and information about libraries, and distributed it to mothers at a St. John's hospital. They produced the video *Your Loving Words: Sharing Language with Your Baby*, which is available in local libraries.

PROJECT TITLE **Implementation and Evaluation of the Significant Others as Reading Teachers (SORT) Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This family literacy program shows parents how to make literacy a part of everyday life. The program encourages parents to read aloud, talk about the books, find ones that match the child's interests and give children some control over what they read. Families receive children's books, a video (*Reading: A Gift of a Lifetime*) and a handbook (*Help Your Child Become a Reader*). In this project, the program was evaluated in a rural school setting. Children were assessed at the beginning and the end, parents' responses were noted and results were shared with schools.

PROJECT TITLE **Implementing a Process-Oriented Model for Writing Development in Adult Basic Education Settings**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project helped ABE instructors and students develop writing abilities and knowledge about writing. More than 225 of them attended two-day workshops to learn a process-oriented approach to writing development. There were sessions with Newfoundland authors as well. A teleconference course on writing instruction linked instructors to resource people across the continent. Instructors and students also participated in research on writing beliefs and practices. The project produced *A Newfoundland Spell*, a collection of student writings. The book is available from the ABE Writing Network.

PROJECT TITLE **The Improvement of Access and Outreach**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This was the first phase of a literacy outreach program for the Baie Verte Peninsula to help people displaced by the fishery. The project began with research into literacy needs in the area, followed by community consultations to devise a plan for outreach activities in the future.

PROJECT TITLE **Improving Our Odds: Literacy Awareness Pilot Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The College designed and tested a literacy awareness curriculum to supplement *Improving Our Odds*, a course that was part of an adjustment program for displaced fishery workers. The curriculum emphasized the benefits of literacy and upgrading, and informed participants about where to find courses and career information. Some people who participated went on to do ABE programs at the College.

PROJECT TITLE **Independent Studies Project**

SPONSOR Independent Studies
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(Organization no longer exists)

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project provided academic support to young single parents and their children. Each participant worked with a volunteer tutor to improve literacy and numeracy skills.

PROJECT TITLE **Labrador Literacy Conference**

SPONSOR Labrador Institute of Northern Studies
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This five-day conference brought together literacy providers, volunteers and learners from across Labrador to exchange ideas and experiences, and to participate in skills development workshops. This opportunity to discuss literacy issues resulted in a recommendation to create the Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network. The conference was videotaped for those who could not attend.

PROJECT TITLE **Learning Package/Handbook for TAGS Recipients**

SPONSOR Central Newfoundland Regional College
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The College set out to produce materials that would help improve literacy skills and have meaning for students from the fishery. *Faces of the Fishery* tells the stories of people affected by the cod moratorium. It emphasizes the need for people to upgrade their literacy skills. There is also a list of government services and programs. This resource is also suitable to a wider audience seeking information about the fishery.

PROJECT TITLE Literacy Access Centres

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The College used community consultation to identify literacy needs and problems in the Clarenville area and on the Bonavista Peninsula. This project was the first step in establishing a long-term literacy plan in the region. The College also researched alternative approaches to literacy instruction for people who need to upgrade basic reading and writing skills.

PROJECT TITLE Literacy Awareness Program

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The College collaborated with the Random North Literacy Outreach Office on a campaign to attract learners and tutors, a key message of which was the role of literacy in economic development. The campaign included a weekly newspaper column, cable TV advertisements, posters, brochures and mall displays. Schools were involved in a book drive and a T-shirt logo contest. Performers for Literacy also put on shows at the schools. Five videos were made for cable TV, entitled: *Literacy Outreach Office; Local Learners; Learning Centres; Laubach Literacy of Canada; and Continuing Education*. The videos are available from the College and the Literacy Outreach Office.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Awareness Project**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The College and the Development Corporation collaborated in the production of the video *Literacy: A Way Back*. It was produced to encourage young people to stay in school and to motivate adults to go back. The video is hosted by a professional actor/comedian and features stories from adults who return to school. It was broadcast on CBC and is available in libraries, colleges and literacy offices.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Coordination and Support Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Literacy Development Council set out to establish a formal liaison among potential funding partners, and to coordinate efforts in the literacy community to work towards common goals. A catalogue of programs and services was created to make more information available to literacy providers. The project placed the Council in a better position to encourage collaboration.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Coordinator**

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Red Ochre Regional Board
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This is the first of three phases of literacy development in the South and Central areas of the Northern Peninsula. Literacy needs and issues were assessed in the communities. A public consultation process was used to develop a literacy outreach plan featuring alternative program approaches for people displaced from the fishery.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Development Association began initial research and planning to improve literacy services in this part of Labrador. A needs assessment was done through community meetings, and barriers to access were identified. Community consultation resulted in a strategic plan to meet these needs. The group also trained literacy workers and compiled learning materials.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Program**

SPONSOR Labrador White Bear Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project was designed to increase awareness and expand services, in order to reach more people displaced by the fishery in this Coastal Labrador area. Public meetings were held in each community to encourage people to become involved in literacy programs. The Office provided support to existing literacy services and developed plans for new ones.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Program**

SPONSOR Partners in Learning
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This was the first phase of an effort to increase literacy levels in Southern Labrador. The group first identified literacy needs in each community by compiling data from agencies and previous needs assessments. A strategic plan was developed to bring more literacy services to the region. This phase also included a public awareness campaign, workshops and volunteer recruitment.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Survey: TAGS Recipients**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Federation set out to identify the number and location of Mi'kmaqs within their membership who were affected by the cod moratorium. The ten Band Councils carried out a telephone survey of their members. Three of them reported that a significant number had been displaced from the fishery. Most of those affected by the moratorium live in Western Newfoundland.

PROJECT TITLE **Open Books, Open Futures: Volunteer Process**

SPONSOR Community Services Council
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Volunteer Centre developed a literacy program for primary and elementary schools, which included a volunteer management system as well as training in family outreach and tutoring. The program was piloted with school staff and volunteers, and with outreach workers from around the province. A handbook was produced, entitled *Open Books, Open Futures*. Another resource, *Homework Havens Manual*, was funded by the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency. Both are available from the Centre.

PROJECT TITLE **Paraprofessional Tutor Training Program**

SPONSOR Literacy Development Council
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Work began on a professional tutor training program for displaced fishery workers. It was hoped that the program would enhance literacy instruction and increase employment opportunities for this group. A plan was devised for alternative delivery methods such as distance education, in order to provide better access to the training program. This research phase also included a literature search, interviews, site visits to other programs and the development of guidelines for professional training of literacy providers.

PROJECT TITLE **Parents as Teaching Partners: French Adaptation**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Parents as Teaching Partners (PATP) helps parents play a greater role in their children's education. Activities are designed to encourage reading at home and increase communication between home and school. In this project, the program was adapted to francophone families. Parents of pre-school children from Cap St-Georges and Mainland (La Grand Terre) came together for workshops on helping with homework, the enjoyment of learning and how to prepare for parent-teacher interviews.

PROJECT TITLE **Pre-School Literacy Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project introduced pre-school children to a learning environment and helped parents with home, school and literacy issues. The families came to school every two weeks for a one-hour session. While children were guided through a thematic program, parents met with resource people from health, education and other fields.

PROJECT TITLE **Promotion and Development of Literacy and Operation of Two Community Centres**

SPONSOR Eastern College
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Burin, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Burin campus coordinated a community literacy approach based on the formation of community committees. A public awareness campaign was followed by a telephone survey, which identified 80 people in the area who wanted to improve their literacy skills and 100 people willing to train as tutors. A community literacy centre was set up in a Burin housing development, a walk-in literacy centre opened in Marystown and a committee was formed in Grand Bank/Fortune.

PROJECT TITLE **A Proposal to Establish Interactive Community Education**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Using a model previously developed for Burgeo, the community broadcasting facility in Ramea was upgraded to support the broadcast of ABE instruction. It was later determined that demand for instruction had already been met by ABE classes in the community. However, the upgraded facilities have enhanced the community education function of the facility.

PROJECT TITLE **Reading Centre**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This Reading Centre was set up to make services more accessible to learners. The Centre offered a neutral environment for learners and tutors to meet, with daytime and evening hours for greater accessibility. Books and computer programs were provided as well. The Reading Centre's presence has created more public awareness about the Literacy Council's services.

PROJECT TITLE **Research**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY A needs assessment was carried out to determine literacy levels in the fishery-dependent communities served by the South West Coast Development Association. More than one-third of respondents did not read regularly, over half had not completed Grade Nine and most wanted to upgrade their literacy skills. The report recommended setting up community and school literacy programs, integrating literacy with other community-level training and launching a campaign to inform people of existing programs.

PROJECT TITLE **Research and Development of Literacy Programs and Materials Suited to the Needs of TAGS Recipients on Fogo Island**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project was designed to encourage people from the fishery on Fogo Island to participate in literacy programs. The emphasis was on public awareness, partnerships, program accessibility and alternative teaching approaches. A literacy conference was organized for people from the area and around the province, to talk about their experiences with literacy programs. The Community Education Committee, an umbrella group, was formed to promote cooperation and partnerships among organizations on the Island.

PROJECT TITLE **Teacher Education Institute**

SPONSOR Cabot College
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY Post-secondary literacy instructors in Atlantic Canada attended an Atlantic Literacy Summer Institute in St. John's to discuss literacy teaching and to share resources. The presentations covered some of the new programming ideas from other parts of Canada. A report is available at the Memorial University library and the Cabot College ABE Program.

PROJECT TITLE **Training the Tutors: Workshop Series for Volunteers**

SPONSOR Teachers on Wheels
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FISCAL YEAR 1994/96

ACTIVITY Workshops were offered to tutors who work with Teachers on Wheels and other literacy groups. The workshops were designed to provide skills training, but also to increase the motivation and sense of worth of tutors by affirming their importance. Topics were determined in consultation with tutors. The workshops gave participants an opportunity to learn new techniques in literacy education, share their ideas and talk to people from other organizations.

PROJECT TITLE **Volunteer Tutor Training Workshop**

SPONSOR Random North Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
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Shoal Harbour, NF
A0C 2L0

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY The Outreach Office had identified a number of people in the Random North area who were interested in becoming volunteer tutors in their community. This volunteer tutor training workshop was designed to provide them with basic information and skills. Workshop topics included adult learning, the reading and writing process, and assessment techniques.

PROJECT TITLE **Women of the Fishery**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This project produced *Strong as the Ocean: Women's Work in the Newfoundland and Labrador Fisheries*, released in 1996. In this collection of oral histories, ten women from coastal communities describe their lives and their work in the fishery. Their stories are complemented with historical and contemporary photographs. The book, produced for use in literacy and basic education programs, was distributed to students, providers, libraries, fisheries unions and women in the industry. It is available from Harrish Press.

PROJECT TITLE **Youth Literacy Project: Literacy Corps**

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FISCAL YEAR 1994/95

ACTIVITY This program sought out youth, especially disadvantaged youth, who needed literacy instruction. People from the same age group and socio-economic background were recruited as volunteer tutors. Each tutor was trained, and then matched with a learner. An individualized program was developed for each learner. The tutors and learners met several times a week at mutually convenient times and places.

PROJECT TITLE **Adult Literacy Program Development, Dissemination and Information**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A Basic Culture-Critical (ABCC) Literacy Program was developed to foster critical reading, writing and thinking, and to relate literacy to action. It can be combined with study in other curriculum areas, or offered as an options course. Although designed for adult literacy students, the program is suitable for junior and senior high school students. Three component publications are available: a *Program Overview*; a *Learner Response Book*; and an *Instructor/Tutor Resource Guide*, which includes detailed plans for 90 sessions.

PROJECT TITLE **Beyond Daybreak: The Learning and Reading Partners Project**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Centre offers intervention programs for children with environmental or other disadvantages. Seeing that many children who did well in the pre-kindergarten program had difficulties in the primary grades, the Centre introduced Learning and Reading Partners, a program developed by the P.E.I. Literacy Alliance. Parents attended weekly sessions to learn how to support their children in school, and there were activities with the children. The program was later offered at a school. A parents' manual and teacher's guide are available from the P.E.I. Literacy Alliance.

PROJECT TITLE **A Booklet on Local Folklore and History**

SPONSOR Fish, Food and Allied Workers Union
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY ABE students at the Bonavista FFAW Education Centre began a local history project, drawing on stories they had heard growing up. They researched the stories, interviewed storytellers and wrote up results. The work was done on their own time, except for a twice-monthly class session when they worked together. A local historian helped with the project, encouraging students to "talk their stories out." Production of the booklet was delayed when the Education Centre closed.

PROJECT TITLE **Community Literacy Centre**

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St. Barbe Development Association
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Plum Point, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Development Association carried out a needs assessment in the Straits area of the Northern Peninsula. The study suggested a need to increase awareness and provide more adult literacy training. A promotional campaign attracted learners and tutors to programs. The area's literacy network was strengthened, and work began on a strategic plan.

PROJECT TITLE **Culturally Relevant Curriculum for Newfoundland Learners**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Eight plays, written by local playwright and artist Tom Dawe, were developed into a curriculum package for use in literacy and basic education programs. The package includes an audiocassette tape of each play and booklets with the text of the play as it was performed. An original painting for each play, provided by Mr. Dawe, appears on the covers. The package was distributed to libraries and literacy groups and is available from Teachers on Wheels.

PROJECT TITLE **Discover Learning Can Be Better-Together**

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Shoal Harbour, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project supported resources to be used in the promotion of literacy and lifelong learning in the Random North area. A reading tent, some reading materials and a literacy mascot were available on loan to organizations wanting to promote literacy in their communities. The resources were used to raise awareness about literacy and draw attention to the importance of family learning.

PROJECT TITLE **Enriching the Home for Your Child**

SPONSOR St. Michael's Early Intervention Committee
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Arnold's Cove, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A series of monthly workshops was offered during the school year to parents of pre-school children. Session topics included: Reading to Your Child—How and What to Do; Reading Aloud; TV and Its Impact on Children; Discipline; Stress Management Techniques; and Proper Nutrition. The resource people encouraged interaction and group discussion, and Performers for Literacy were invited to one workshop. Children attended the final session with their parents.

PROJECT TITLE **Evaluation and Assessment of the FFAW Education Centre Literacy Program**

SPONSOR Fish, Food and Allied Workers Union
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The FFAW Education Centres were set up to provide basic education programs to people in the fishery. Each was managed by an education committee made up of people from the communities. These committees helped to plan and carry out the research for this evaluation by ABC Canada. Interviews were conducted with students, dropouts, instructors and non-students. The evaluation concluded that community control, flexible schedules and supportive instructors were positive aspects of this workforce upgrading program.

PROJECT TITLE **Family Literacy Participatory Research Project**

SPONSOR Port au Port Community Education Initiative
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Port au Port Community Education Initiative offers family resource programming, pre-school activities and the Parents as Teaching Partners (PATP) program. This research project identified barriers to participation, found ways to improve program outreach and access, and connected parents with family literacy programs. A PATP group was formed with fathers and grandfathers at one school, and research was carried out on the role of fathers in family literacy.

PROJECT TITLE **Growing up in Rural Newfoundland**

SPONSOR Trinity-Placentia Development Association
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Come By Chance, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Trinity-Placentia Development Association began production on a book series, *Growing up in Rural Newfoundland*, designed to provide reading material for ABE students and the general public. The first book, *Resettlement Past and Present, Moving Away from Home*, was written in collaboration with Level I students, who contributed stories and helped plan the book. It was published in 1997 and distributed to libraries, colleges, schools and literacy groups. The project was also supported by the Literacy Development Council.

PROJECT TITLE **The Improvement of Access and Outreach**

SPONSOR Baie Verte Peninsula Economic Development Association
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY In the second phase of literacy outreach on the Baie Verte Peninsula, public meetings and media campaigns raised public awareness. The Development Association helped set up literacy councils, adult tutoring and tutor training, GED classes, family literacy, Books for Babies, Bookbags for Preschoolers, the Nobody's Perfect Parenting Program and the Linkages Program. Seniors' stories were collected, and *Students' Book of Writings* was published, which is available from the Development Association.

PROJECT TITLE **Improving Literacy for Adults with Learning Disabilities**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project was designed to increase the awareness and skills of literacy providers in meeting the needs of learning-disabled people. The College held training sessions around the province, with schools, colleges, agencies and community programs, where participants learned effective teaching and assessment methods. Information pamphlets and teaching materials were developed, including the *LD Awareness Guide* available from the College. Resource materials were placed in college campuses, and an LD website was set up (<http://www.westvikingc.nf.ca>).

PROJECT TITLE **Increasing the Effectiveness of Adult Basic Education Delivery**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This action research project examined the problems and advantages of the self-paced, individualized adult basic education program. In cooperation with other colleges, the researchers developed a model for a more diversified approach to delivery. This research is reported in *The Adult Basic Education (ABE) Delivery Project Guidebook*, which includes course curriculum and teacher orientation workshop materials. The report was distributed to colleges and schools.

PROJECT TITLE **Integrated Literacy**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Reading matter handed out to inmates by Adult Corrections and the Society was revised to make it accessible to all readers. The Society's *Directory of Literacy Resources in Newfoundland* was revised, and a section was added on learning disabilities and related support services. The Society also held training sessions on learning disabilities for Corrections staff and volunteers. Finally, the groundwork was laid for inmates to volunteer with Laubach councils as technical and office workers. The *Directory* is a hypertext document on the National Adult Literacy Database (NALD) website (<http://www.nald.ca/province/nfld/jhsnf/Director.htm>).

PROJECT TITLE **Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network**

SPONSOR Labrador Institute of Northern Studies
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network consists of literacy providers, learners, aboriginal groups and community literacy groups. It was formed to provide advice and referral, to improve literacy resources in Labrador and to encourage collaboration among groups. A plan was devised for regular communication through teleconferencing, video exchanges and the internet.

PROJECT TITLE **Learning Information for Everyone (LIFE)**

SPONSOR New World Island Learning Council/LIFE Committee
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Newville, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Committee promoted literacy in the New World Island area through community meetings, posters, community television, a weekly newspaper column and a learner/volunteer forum. Based on these contacts and a needs assessment of the area, the Committee developed a list of learning needs and a registry of existing resources and agencies. Work began on a strategic plan to coordinate and expand services. A learning centre was established, and volunteer activities were organized.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy and Training Needs Assessment for Alexander Bay-Terra Nova**

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Glovertown, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A needs assessment was carried out with a questionnaire survey of Glovertown area residents who were high school age and older. Data was collected on education and skill levels, career interests, traditional skills, historical knowledge, need for pre-schools and opinions about literacy. Most of the people surveyed had high literacy levels and were interested in more educational opportunities. The information will be used for developing services in the area.

PROJECT TITLE **A Literacy Awareness Presentation**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Outreach Centre produced a video as an effective way to promote literacy and basic education. *Literacy, 1-2-3* tells the stories of some of the people involved in literacy programs. The video also deals with barriers that keep people from participating, and it shows something of how programs are organized. The video was distributed to outreach services and colleges.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Awareness Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project involved the production of posters, pamphlets and cable TV advertisements. One pamphlet, *Light Up Your Life with Literacy*, was designed by one of the College's students and distributed to households in Carbonear and surrounding areas. It promoted the benefits of literacy and listed organizations to contact for information. The College also collaborated with Laubach Literacy of Canada to offer a workshop for people interested in becoming literacy instructors.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Awareness Program**

SPONSOR Fogo Island Literacy Association
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CONTACT Della Coish
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project was designed to bring literacy awareness into everyday life and publicize the resources and services available on Fogo Island. A family literacy initiative provided parents of newborns with a *New Reader's Package*. A pre-school reading program was organized. The Association distributed literacy information to each household, held a radio forum and ran TV and radio advertisements. The group also worked to strengthen links among groups that were part of the Community Education Committee.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Coordination and Support Program 2**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project helped the Literacy Development Council continue its coordination of literacy services in the province. The Council offered consultation to individuals and groups in areas where there were few services. It also produced a community action information kit, *Literacy in Action: Information, Guidelines and Support*. The kit has information on planning, networking, lobbying, proposal writing, support groups and funding sources. It has been widely distributed and can be borrowed from the Council.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Coordinator**

SPONSOR Northern Peninsula Central Community Futures/
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project supported the second phase of literacy development in the Northern Peninsula South and Central area. Support services were provided for the literacy efforts of other groups, and a long-term strategic plan was developed. A public awareness campaign was launched to inform people about literacy issues and to recruit volunteer tutors.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Program**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Development Association expanded its work in needs assessment, barrier identification and strategic planning, reaching more communities and groups in this area of Labrador. It began distributing publicity kits and other material to schools and community organizations that were starting public awareness campaigns.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Project**

SPONSOR Labrador White Bear Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This is the second phase of an effort to increase access to services and strengthen links among communities and groups. A needs assessment identified access barriers, and a plan was devised to address these. The Outreach Office formed partnerships with schools, learning centres, community councils and the Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network. Signs, brochures and a newsletter were produced for a promotional campaign which was also funded by the Literacy Development Council.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Tutor Training**

SPONSOR Fish, Food and Allied Workers Union
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St. Anthony, NF
(Centre no longer exists)

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY At the request of several Education Centres, the FFAW had arranged for Teachers on Wheels to train volunteer tutors, who could help people having difficulty with computer learning systems. In this project, the St. Anthony Centre organized more training to increase the number of tutors in the area. Teachers on Wheels held two one-day workshops for 28 people, some of whom volunteered at the Centre afterwards. A few students attended also, gaining an insight into the teaching process.

PROJECT TITLE **Long-Term Plan and Objectives**

SPONSOR Partners in Learning
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Partners in Learning developed a three-year literacy plan for Southern Labrador, linking literacy to cultural preservation, community strength and economic survival. The plan called for sustainability through volunteer networks and collaboration with other organizations. The group began implementing their plan by attracting volunteer tutors and facilitators, creating a community history project and working with schools, community groups and the Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network.

PROJECT TITLE **Needs Assessment Study for a Community Learning Centre**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A group of learners, tutors and partner organizations examined the feasibility of setting up a learning centre in Central Labrador. The group investigated needs assessment methods and then met regularly to conduct research. They interviewed area residents, explored sources of support, looked at facilities and sought partners for programs such as tutor training and family literacy.

PROJECT TITLE **Peers Tutoring Peers: A Training Program for Volunteer Tutors**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A training package was designed for groups interested in setting up peer tutoring programs for young people. The specific needs of the tutors and learners were researched, and a training manual was developed. The manual takes a group through a step-by-step process, from thinking about a program, through recruitment, assessment, training and evaluation. The manual will be tested before being offered to literacy programs, schools and outreach offices.

PROJECT TITLE **Phase II: Learning for Life Campaign**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY An earlier needs assessment had found that many of the Union's members needed to improve their literacy skills in order to qualify for trades training. In this project, a curriculum was developed for the workplace, with task-related examples to make it relevant to learners. The program was promoted to members in order to get their support. It was then tested and refined to fit a structured school setting. The curriculum is available from the Union. The project was also funded by a federal-provincial Cooperation Agreement.

PROJECT TITLE **Professional Training and Development for Literacy Providers**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project was part of a long-term effort to increase the amount and quality of training available to literacy providers, and to make it more accessible through alternative methods of delivery. This phase saw the development of professional guidelines in three categories: 1) Basic Professional Qualities/Experiences–Tutor/Instructor, Level I, II and III; 2) Supplementary Professional Qualities/Experiences–Tutor/Instructor, Level I, II and III; 3) Typical Professional Qualities/Experiences–Supervisor/Organizer/Outreach Worker. These will be available in late 1997 as the *Catalogue of Literacy Resource Training Materials*.

PROJECT TITLE **A Program to Develop Multi-Media Instructional Materials**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project set out to produce a comprehensive resource on the subject of simple machines. The College developed material on this topic and produced a highly interactive tutorial package in CD-ROM format. The product is intended for adult learners and school students. Limited copies are available, and the College hopes to make this tutorial accessible through website delivery.

PROJECT TITLE **Proposal for the Development of Literacy Access Centres for the Bonavista Peninsula**

SPONSOR Eastern College
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Four learning access centres were set up on the Bonavista Peninsula. The goal was to improve services and increase community involvement in literacy. The centres promoted literacy through the media, pamphlets and posters, open houses and presentations to community groups. They hosted activities such as Literacy Day, Literacy at the Loop, book exchanges, a Mom, Dad and Tots program, tutor training and matching of tutors with learners.

PROJECT TITLE **A Proposal to Conduct a Community Education Needs Assessment**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY In collaboration with the Burgeo Community Advisory Committee, the College administered a community education needs assessment survey to residents of Burgeo. Most of the adults in the community lost their livelihoods as a result of the groundfish closures. An assessment was made of literacy training and education needs.

PROJECT TITLE **Provide Academic Upgrading to Youth Who Have Recently Dropped Out**

SPONSOR Independent Studies
St. John's, NF
(Organization no longer exists)

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project provided academic support to young people who had dropped out or were at risk of dropping out of school. Volunteer tutors worked with participants to improve their literacy and numeracy skills. Programs were also established for participants' children.

PROJECT TITLE **Reflections of a Fishing Culture in the Bonavista South Region**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY *King's Cove Head: The Light Tower, a Way of Life* is the first in a series called *Fish Tales*, an anthology of Bonavista South history and culture for adult learners. People from the communities provided information, artwork and photographs for the book, and ABE Level I students tested it. The book was distributed to libraries, colleges and literacy programs and is available from the Development Association. The project was also supported by the Give the Gift of Literacy Foundation.

PROJECT TITLE **Research to Empower Adult Learners (REAL)**

SPONSOR Brother T.I. Murphy Learning Resource Centre
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A training model for accommodating different learning styles was tested with staff and participants at the Centre. Participants learned how to identify their learning styles, needs and barriers. Staff were trained in how to help participants use self-knowledge to take control of their learning. It was noted that when participants could act on this self-knowledge, their learning progressed. Staff needed intensive training in metacognitive strategies and learning styles to make the model work.

PROJECT TITLE **Science-Based Resource Material for TAGS Learners**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project answered the need for more science resource material that would be relevant to adults from the fishery. The College wanted to produce practical, readable information on various science topics, referring to the fishery where possible. The result is a textbook, *The World of Science*, available in 1997 for distribution to libraries, colleges and literacy and ABE providers.

PROJECT TITLE **Tidings: Literacy Exhibit**

SPONSOR Newfoundland and Labrador Committee for Literacy and Culture
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY "Literacy is about more than reading and writing" is the message of *Reading the Signs: An Exhibit About Literacy*. This travelling exhibit deals with social, economic and cultural aspects of literacy in the province, from historical times to the present. The exhibit was displayed in museums, malls, community centres, schools and libraries in 15 locations around the province. Local literacy, heritage and community groups took responsibility for the exhibit in their areas. They received posters, brochures and resource booklets, which were also given to literacy programs and educational institutions.

PROJECT TITLE **Training Community Literacy Workers**

SPONSOR Central Newfoundland Regional College
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A training program was held for volunteers interested in helping people in their communities with reading and writing. The first part was a two-week course on Fogo Island, where participants learned some assessment and instruction techniques. Then, a two-week practicum at the Grand Falls-Windsor Literacy Centre gave them an opportunity to apply these techniques.

PROJECT TITLE **Volunteer Tutor Training Workshop**

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Development Association arranged for Teachers on Wheels to hold a one-day tutor training workshop in Bonavista South. Thirteen prospective tutors attended, representing most of the communities in the area. The long-term goal is to have at least one trained tutor in each community to help people who are interested in improving their reading and writing skills.

PROJECT TITLE **Volunteer Tutor Training Workshop**

SPONSOR Trinity-Placentia Development Association
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Come By Chance, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Workshops were offered to individuals interested in becoming volunteer tutors in the Isthmus area. An advertising campaign was undertaken, to make people aware of literacy issues and to encourage young people to become involved as tutors and learners. The project was the beginning of what organizers hoped would be ongoing training of tutors to help people improve their reading and writing skills.

PROJECT TITLE **Writing in Our Lives**

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St. John's, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Funding supported the development and publication of *Propriety and Possibilities*, which describes an earlier effort to develop writing abilities and knowledge about writing among ABE instructors and students (see *Implementing a Process-Oriented Model for Writing Development in Adult Basic Education Settings*, p. 10). The book includes activities and strategies that ABE instructors can use with writers in their classrooms. It was distributed to libraries, educational institutions, ABE instructors, students and others. *Propriety and Possibilities* is available from the ABE Writing Network.

PROJECT TITLE **Basic Social Studies Readers**

SPONSOR Central Newfoundland Regional College
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Centre will produce a series of booklets dealing with the geography and culture of Newfoundland and Labrador. This reading material is intended for adult literacy students and will be available in late 1997.

PROJECT TITLE **Building Management Skills and Capacities**

SPONSOR Labrador Institute of Northern Studies
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Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Institute is developing a management training program for community-based literacy groups in remote areas, in order to enhance their management skills and sustainability. The project will involve literacy providers, learners and community groups in the design and testing of an information and resource kit. A network of resource people at five Labrador locations will be established. Participants and apprentice facilitators at each site will be linked by distance technology.

PROJECT TITLE **Community Literacy Project Proposal**

SPONSOR Westviking College
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY A needs assessment, promotional campaign and strategic plan are being developed for the tip of the Northern Peninsula, which includes the community of St. Anthony. This project follows similar efforts supported by the College for other areas on the Peninsula. The College is working towards an integrated approach to literacy development in the region.

PROJECT TITLE **Creating a Learning Culture**

SPONSOR Brother T.I. Murphy Learning Resource Centre
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Learning Resource Centre organized learners' conferences to create a more supportive learning culture and help participants take control of their learning. Participants and instructors were trained in facilitation, metacognition, self-awareness and self-advocacy. The sessions dealt with learning styles, building community, useful learning skills, empathy, peer support, anger and conflict resolution. A manual, *Creating a Learning Culture: Building a Bridge Between Theory and Practice*, is being produced.

PROJECT TITLE **Evolving Conversations**

SPONSOR Newfoundland and Labrador Committee for Literacy and Culture
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY A resource kit is being produced to help students examine literacy in our culture and heritage, and the meaning of literacy in our present-day lives and communities. The kit, a CD-ROM with video, audio, photos and stories, combines information from existing sources with original information collected for the project. Oral history interviews were done, and workshops were held around the province. The kit is aimed at literacy and basic education programs, but it can be used with elementary and high school students. It will be available in 1997.

PROJECT TITLE **From Me ... To You**

SPONSOR Newfoundland and Labrador Rural Development Council
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Gander, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Rural Development Council coordinated a learner writing project with two groups of students, one in Labrador and one on the Island. Each group collected oral histories from people in their communities and wrote these up, along with their own personal histories. The students learned about interviewing, writing, publishing and working together. The first volume, *From Me ... To You: A Collection of Stories by Adult Learners*, was distributed to schools, libraries and literacy groups. It is available from the Council.

PROJECT TITLE **The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Answers to Questions and Concerns of Tutors**

SPONSOR Teachers on Wheels
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St. John's, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY In this project, a "Dear Abby" type of manual is being developed for tutors who need quick answers to questions that may come up in their work. A literature review, followed by interviews with tutors, will identify common questions, concerns and solutions to problems. The manual is scheduled for completion in 1997 and will be distributed to libraries, literacy programs and others involved with literacy.

PROJECT TITLE **Increasing Program Development**

SPONSOR Labrador White Bear Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Outreach Office organized training to strengthen literacy services and partnerships in this area of Coastal Labrador. Learner centres and community literacy groups were offered workshops in tutoring and the management of community literacy services. The goal was to ensure that literacy services would be sustained by a network of trained volunteers.

PROJECT TITLE **Language Awareness in Adult Basic Education**

SPONSOR Adult Basic Education Writing Network
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Research was done on grammar, the teaching of grammar and the oral language strengths of adult learners, in order to make instruction more effective. The research began with a literature review, followed by consultations with resource people and interviews with ABE instructors and students. A professional development program was devised, along with a resource book. The program was offered to literacy workers and ABE instructors through distance technology. The resource book will be available in 1998.

PROJECT TITLE **Learner/Volunteer Community Forum: Together We Can Do It**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Rural Development Council is organizing forums for five regions of the province. These three-day forums will bring together learners, volunteers, providers, community organizations, business people and government representatives. They will give adult learners an opportunity to communicate with each other, as well as with providers and funders. The goal is to increase learner input into literacy programs, and to encourage partnerships in regional literacy planning.

PROJECT TITLE **Learning Information for Everyone (LIFE)**

SPONSOR New World Island Learning Council/LIFE Committee
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Newville, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY In a second phase of literacy development, the Committee sponsored reading activities, tutor training workshops and *First Stage*®, a program combining artistic expression with community development. It began to produce local materials for adult readers and developed a partnership plan for offering ABE in the New World Island area. It supported the formation of a Learners' Association and joined the Central Eastern Learning Alliance.

PROJECT TITLE **Learning Partners**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Learning Partners program, based on the SORT model (Significant Others as Reading Teachers), encourages parents and their children to read together every day. The program is offered to kindergarten children and their parents in 17 schools in the district. This project supported the cost of giving the children new books and activity sheets each month, and holding sessions for parents to learn about reading concepts and skills. The program includes assessment of children's attitudes and reading skills.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach at the Community Level, Bellevue to Bonavista**

SPONSOR Random North Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
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Shoal Harbour, NF
A0C 2L0

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Outreach Office has taken on a coordination and leadership role, working with groups in the Random North area to increase awareness and foster literacy development. Individuals have been encouraged to become volunteers. The Office is helping community literacy groups to become self-sustaining. It also provides liaison and referral to agencies and programs.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Program**

SPONSOR Battle Harbour Regional Development Association
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The goal of this project was to set up flexible family and youth literacy services in this part of Labrador. Reading circles and Books for Babies groups were established. The Development Association worked with other groups to set up two career/literacy centres partly funded by the Literacy Development Council. Literacy and lifelong learning were promoted through newsletters and information packages. Partnerships were developed locally and through the Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Outreach Project: Literacy and Community Involvement**

SPONSOR Red Ochre Regional Board
Literacy Outreach Office
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This third phase of literacy outreach work included a public awareness campaign and meetings with learners and community groups to encourage collaboration. The Outreach Office developed a tutor package, organized tutor training and set up a tutor-learner referral system. It also supported peer tutoring, homework havens, family literacy workshops and reading circles for children and parents.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy, Youth and Theatre**

SPONSOR Bonavista Area Regional Development Association
Literacy Focus Group
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Bonavista, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Development Association collaborated with another on the Bonavista Peninsula to create a youth literacy training project combining theatre with literacy instruction and public awareness. A group of young people will work with Performers for Literacy to develop mini-plays, aimed especially at young people thinking of leaving school. The plays will be performed at schools and public events. The project is also supported by the Literacy Development Council.

PROJECT TITLE **Parents as Teaching Partners: Train the Trainer and Handbook**

SPONSOR Port Au Port Community Education Initiative
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Aguathuna, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Parents as Teaching Partners (PATP) is a literacy program designed to strengthen parents' roles in their children's education. A handbook and workshop were developed, to train parents and other volunteers to deliver PATP. The goal of the two-day workshop, which trained 20 parents, was to maintain a core group of skilled volunteers to continue the program in the Port au Port area. The *PATP Facilitator's Handbook* was distributed to libraries, literacy groups and schools and is available from the Community Education Initiative.

PROJECT TITLE **Partners in Learning Long-Term Plan and Objectives**

SPONSOR Partners in Learning
Southern Labrador Development Association
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Forteau, Labrador, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY In its second phase of literacy plan implementation, the group established a network of volunteer organizers, tutors and tutor trainers, reading circle facilitators and learners. Workshops were held in reading circle facilitation, use of clear language, oral histories and local history project planning. Partnerships were formed with community and development groups, agencies, schools, Women's Institutes and the Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network.

PROJECT TITLE **A Proposal to Develop Instructional Videotapes**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Many learners are interested in reading about mineral science and the province's mining industry, but there is little material available at the basic education level. In this project, the College produced nine videos on earth science, geology and mineralogy topics. They were shot in the province at various ore body and mining sites. The content is consistent with the ABE Earth Science course. The videos will be placed in libraries and colleges.

PROJECT TITLE **Proposal to Establish a Provincial Literacy Resource Centre**

SPONSOR Provincial Public Libraries Board
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Provincial Public Libraries Board is developing a complete collection of literacy materials produced in the province. The collection will consist of published and unpublished materials pertaining to instruction, research, training, promotion and organizing. These will be catalogued and made available for borrowing. The Board will also review existing resources, assess demand for additional ones and examine the need for a provincial literacy clearinghouse.

PROJECT TITLE **Public Awareness Campaign: Community Adult Participants in Education (CAPE)**

SPONSOR Cape Freels Development Association
The CAPE Committee
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Newtown, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Committee produced information kits and brochures, and offered workshops and presentations to schools and community groups in the Cape Freels area. Literacy displays and exhibits were set up in workplaces, schools and public places. A reading tent was operated at a local festival. The Committee is developing a registry of literacy services in the province and the country. As part of its long-term planning, it is researching the role of community learning centres in local economic development.

PROJECT TITLE **Public Awareness Campaign: Going Where Our Youth Are**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This project was created to help young people who would like to have literacy instruction but are not aware of what is available. Teachers on Wheels is researching effective ways of reaching disadvantaged youth, which is the first step in launching an awareness campaign aimed at this group. The campaign will also recruit young people interested in tutoring. The prospective tutors and learners will be referred to literacy programs.

PROJECT TITLE **Reaching Out!**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The College organized and hosted four one-day Lifelong Learning Forums on the Bonavista Peninsula. These forums, held in Catalina, Clarendville, Plate Cove East and Port Rexton, were designed to help people see literacy as more than just reading and writing. They included panel presentations by learners, information sessions and displays on literacy and economic issues. The theatre troupe Rising Tide performed at each forum. Videos of the forums are available.

PROJECT TITLE **A Strategy for Sustainable Community-Based Literacy**

SPONSOR St. Barbe Development Association
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Plum Point, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Development Association's Outreach Office began the second phase of implementing its literacy strategy in the Straits area of the Northern Peninsula. Public awareness campaigns continued to emphasize the importance of literacy in economic development. The Office supported the establishment of an adult tutoring service and tutor training. It is helping to set up two literacy councils in the area.

PROJECT TITLE **Using Artistic Expression in Literacy and Community Development**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This project is exploring ways to combine literacy and learning with storytelling, songs, writing, visual art and other forms of expression. An arts facilitator and an educational consultant are looking at how artistic expression is used in other learning settings. They are also working with learner groups in the province to develop a program integrating basic education with culture. A pamphlet, video and report, under the title *First Stage©: Using Artistic Expression in Literacy and Community Development*, are available from the Rural Development Council.

SECTION 2

Literacy Development Council of Newfoundland and Labrador

Projects 1995-97

PROJECT TITLE **Bookbag Borrowing Program**

SPONSOR Grand Falls Academy Primary School
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project established a weekly book borrowing program for pre-school, kindergarten and Grade One children. Organizers were able to acquire enough books and bookbags so that children could have a regular supply of good reading material at home. Parents have been involved in the operation of the program.

PROJECT TITLE **Books for Babies: Phase II**

SPONSOR Humber Literacy Council
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Humber Literacy Council has been distributing book packages to mothers at the hospital in Corner Brook. The program promotes the benefits of reading to children from infancy and offers follow-up literacy support to parents. In Phase II, it was introduced elsewhere on the West Coast, on the Northern Peninsula and Baie Verte Peninsula, and in Gander and Carbonear. The Humber group also developed fundraising strategies for use by new literacy councils.

PROJECT TITLE **Choices Literacy Council Operating Fund**

SPONSOR Choices Literacy Council
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Englee, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Literacy Council began a public education campaign to make people aware of literacy needs and services. They recruited volunteer tutors, found a community meeting place and began to match learners and tutors. Funding also covered the cost of materials to use in tutoring.

PROJECT TITLE **Circle of Learning**

SPONSOR Charlottetown Learning Centre Committee
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Charlottetown, Labrador, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Learning Centre, operated by a coalition in this Labrador area, offers literacy and ABE programs in the area. This project supported a coordinator to organize volunteers, arrange tutor training and introduce new programs. Children's Reading Circles, seniors groups and resume writing workshops were set up, and a promotional survey was conducted to determine the need for additional services.

PROJECT TITLE **The Community Learning Centre**

SPONSOR The Longside Club
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A1E 2W8

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The ABE Level I program was offered to people with disabilities who had not succeeded in educational programs run by other agencies and groups. Students were provided with the necessary aids, physical assistance and time to accomplish their work. ABE instruction was enhanced by resource speakers, class outings and projects, and participation in the Club's theatre activity. Cabot College was a partner in this program.

PROJECT TITLE **Community Literacy Drive**

SPONSOR Port Hope Simpson Learning Centre
P.O. Box 99
Port Hope Simpson, Labrador, NF
A0K 4E0

CONTACT Denise Russell
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Centre wished to increase community and school involvement in literacy, and to set up programs for children, youth and seniors in this part of Labrador. School visits were organized, and children's reading circles were set up. A seniors' reading and social group was formed in partnership with the Grenfell Regional Health Services. Peer tutoring and homework havens were made available for youth. The Centre also held a community reading drive and set up a literacy booth at a sports event.

PROJECT TITLE **Computer Software Acquisition**

SPONSOR Buchans Public Library Board
Buchans, NF
A0H 1G0

CONTACT Dale Loveridge
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Board acquired computer software in CD format which they placed in the library, to encourage both children and adults to become computer literate. These computer games and tutorials provide an opportunity for adults and children to work on their reading and writing skills at their own pace.

PROJECT TITLE **Creating Awareness**

SPONSOR Labrador White Bear Literacy Outreach Office
Labrador White Bear Development Association
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Port Hope Simpson, Labrador, NF
A0K 4E0

CONTACT Roxanne Notley
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project supported the production of signs promoting lifelong learning, which were placed along snowmobile trails in the Labrador White Bear area. Brochures and newsletters were produced and distributed. The Outreach Office met regularly with other groups to promote the importance of literacy. This project was one component of a public awareness campaign also funded by the National Literacy Secretariat.

PROJECT TITLE **Curtoglen Literacy Learning Centre**

SPONSOR Curtoglen Literacy Learning Centre Committee
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Woody Point, NF
A0K 1P0

CONTACT Betty Young
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Literacy Learning Centre was set up to provide early intervention and family literacy programs in Bonne Bay South. The Centre works with pre-school children on literacy skills, providing literacy information and resources to the parents as well. Funding was used to acquire furnishings, reading materials and art and writing supplies.

PROJECT TITLE **Funding to the Learn for Tomorrow Centre**

SPONSOR Marystown-Burin/Burin Peninsula Laubach Literacy Council
P.O. Box 1308
Marystown, NF
A0E 4M0

CONTACT Patti Mascaro/Selina Harnett
(709) 279-1176; 279-4288 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Learn for Tomorrow Centre, operated by this Literacy Council, continued to offer literacy tutoring and GED instruction to youth and adults. The Centre also trained volunteer tutors. Programming for children included Summer Reading for Fun and Baby's First Book projects. Outreach efforts began in other communities on the Burin Peninsula.

PROJECT TITLE **Gloria and Her Puppets Presents**

SPONSOR Gloria and Her Puppets
9B Livingstone St.
St. John's, NF
A1B 1V5

CONTACT Gloria Fiander
(709) 754-9731

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This educator and children's entertainer developed a puppet show for young children which promotes reading, environmental awareness and wise TV watching. A new stage set was constructed, and puppets were created in the form of books, TV sets and pieces of litter that "come to life" on stage. The show was performed at the St. John's Arts and Culture Centre for school children and the public. Extra shows were added to meet the demand.

PROJECT TITLE **Growing up in Rural Newfoundland**

SPONSOR Trinity-Placentia Development Association
P.O. Box 129
Come By Chance, NF
A0E 2N0

CONTACT Jane Tobin
(709) 542-3131; 542-3141 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY ABE students are contributing to a book series entitled *Growing up in Rural Newfoundland*. The books deal with rural subject matter and are written for ABE students, schools and the general public. The students are contributing stories and helping with production. The first book, *Resettlement Past and Present, Moving Away from Home*, was published in 1997 and distributed to libraries, schools, colleges and literacy groups. The project is also supported by the National Literacy Secretariat.

PROJECT TITLE **Intensive Early Intervention**

SPONSOR Topsail Integrated Elementary School
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Topsail, NF
A0A 3Y0

CONTACT Robert Maxwell
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This project was inspired by research supporting early intervention for children in the early grades. A summer reading program was set up for kindergarten and Grade One children, who attended for one hour each day and worked with teachers in small groups. Each week, a different theme was supported with books, writing, art projects, videos and computer activities. Organizers noted that the children learned more and developed positive attitudes by working in small groups with challenging reading material.

PROJECT TITLE **Interim Funding**

SPONSOR Fogo Island Literacy Association
P.O. Box 15
Stag Harbour, NF
A0G 4B0

CONTACT Brenda Foley, Della Coish
(709) 266-2328; 266-2568 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This funding allowed the Association to keep its office open until further project funding could be obtained, thus maintaining a presence in the community. Volunteers and staff were able to continue building partnerships and planning a public awareness campaign.

PROJECT TITLE **Kindergarten Kick-Start Program**

SPONSOR John Thomas Pentecostal School
Reading Action Team
P.O. Box 40
Middle Arm, NF
A0K 3R0

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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Reading Action Team developed an early intervention program to enhance school readiness skills. They created pre-school kits containing books, videos, games and art materials. Each month, parents got new kits and attended sessions in how to use them effectively. Parents also learned about the literacy, family support and public health programs in the area. Children went to sessions to develop educational and social skills.

PROJECT TITLE **Learner/Volunteer Forum**

SPONSOR Northern Peninsula Central Literacy Outreach Office
Red Ochre Regional Board
P.O. Box 70
Parson's Pond, NF
A0K 3Z0

CONTACT Boyd Perry
(709) 243-2008; 243-2254 (fax)
Boyd.Perry@thezone.net

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This forum on the Northern Peninsula was an opportunity for learners and volunteer literacy providers to share their ideas and concerns with others. It was also an information-sharing session, which led to the development of a strategic literacy plan for the Northern Peninsula South and Central areas.

PROJECT TITLE **Library Week 1996**

SPONSOR Newfoundland Library Association
P.O. Box 23192
St. John's, NF
A1B 4J9

CONTACT Colleen Field
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cfield@morgan.ucs.mun.ca

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Library Week is held every year in April or May to highlight the value of libraries in our communities. Funding was used to produce activity packages with posters, promotional ideas, contests and puzzles. These were mailed out to more than 700 libraries in the province. The Association also held a promotional event, "Born to Read," in which gift packages were presented to the first babies born at provincial hospitals during Library Week.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Liaison**

SPONSOR Random North Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
P.O. Box 39
Shoal Harbour, NF
A0C 2L0

CONTACT Michelle Brown
(709) 466-1725; 466-1570 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Literacy Liaison, assisted by the Literacy Outreach Office, developed a pamphlet and two public presentation kits. The presentations are designed to encourage local organizations to support lifelong learning and form partnerships to foster a learning culture. A public awareness campaign in the Random North area focused on recruiting volunteers.

PROJECT TITLE **Newfoundland and Labrador Field Services**

SPONSOR Laubach Literacy of Canada
 c/o Westviking College
 P.O. Box 822
 Corner Brook, NF
 A2H 6H6

CONTACT Isabella Fry
 (709) 634-5081; 634-2126 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Laubach Literacy of Canada is a non-profit literacy organization with a network of local volunteer councils. This project supported volunteer tutor training, the formation of new councils and the coordination of Books for Babies, Peer Youth Tutoring, Summer Reading for Fun and Parents as Teaching Partners.

PROJECT TITLE **Operational Funding**

SPONSOR Teachers on Wheels
 P.O. Box 8455, Stn. A
 St. John's, NF
 A1B 3N9

CONTACT Pamela Rideout
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 twheels@avalon.nf.ca

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY Teachers On Wheels, which has been active in literacy for more than 20 years, was forced to leave their former rent-free premises. This funding was used to rent space for an interim period before new project funding came into effect.

PROJECT TITLE **Peer Tutoring**

SPONSOR Literacy Outreach Office
Labrador White Bear Development Association
P.O. Box 101
Port Hope Simpson, Labrador, NF
A0K 4E0

CONTACT Roxanne Notley
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notley@porthole.entnet.nf.ca

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Outreach Office in this Labrador area piloted a peer tutoring program to train 20 high school students in the technique of tutoring. Eight student tutors were matched with learners in the 1995/96 school year. Teachers, noticing improvements in the students being tutored, requested that the program continue, and it was offered the following school year.

PROJECT TITLE **Program and Materials Development**

SPONSOR Rabbittown Learners Program
26 Graves Street
St. John's, NF
A1B 3C5

CONTACT Doris Hapgood
(709) 579-6033; 579-8738 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This St. John's community-based organization was able to purchase updated and new materials for its basic adult Learners Program. Daily journal-writing books were purchased and introduced, a project that was initiated by both learners and staff. The Program also published *Rabbittown Express*, a newsletter produced by the learners themselves, combining their own writings with announcements of community events.

PROJECT TITLE **A Proposal for the Development of a Comprehensive and Innovative Literacy Curriculum Specific to the Needs of the Construction Labourer**

SPONSOR Atlantic Labourers' Union
Labourers' Local 1208 Training and Rehabilitation Trust Fund
P.O. Box 236
St. John's, NF
A1C 5J2

CONTACT Ed Moriarity
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This was the first part of a plan to introduce literacy into workplace training for the construction trades. A literature review of workplace literacy programs was followed by a survey of workers to determine their interest in such a program. A preliminary model was developed for combining literacy and trades training, and for assessing the literacy levels of trainees. The next stage is to identify core reading and numeracy skills to be taught, and to develop and test a curriculum.

PROJECT TITLE **Random Island Youth Literacy Centre**

SPONSOR Random Island Youth Literacy Committee
Box 7644
Clarenville, NF
A0E 1J0

CONTACT Arthur Winsor
(709) 547-2379; 547-2549 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Literacy Centre's programs are designed for students from Grade Four to Grade Nine who have reading difficulties. The goal is to help them improve academically so they will be motivated to stay in school. The Centre was able to continue with small group reading sessions and computer-assisted reading instruction. It also opened in the evenings for those needing help with homework or a quiet place to study.

PROJECT TITLE **Reaching Everyone, One Step at a Time**

SPONSOR Random North Development Association
Literacy Outreach Office
P.O. Box 39
Shoal Harbour, NF
A0C 2L0

CONTACT Ina Marsh
(709) 466-2848; 466-1570 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A promotional campaign on the Bonavista Peninsula and surrounding area was designed to raise awareness and promote services such as the Association's Literacy Outreach Office. A magnetic decal with information about the Outreach Office was distributed to the public as part of this campaign.

PROJECT TITLE **Storytime**

SPONSOR White Hills Literacy Council
General Delivery
Middle Arm, NF
A0K 3R0

CONTACT Leah Penney
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FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Children's Reading and Activity Hour is an early intervention program for pre-school children in this Baie Verte Peninsula area. The program was designed to complement school-based programs for the same age group. The Literacy Council collected materials, organized volunteers and promoted the program to parents. Children aged three and four met once a week for reading, art, colour and number recognition, learning the alphabet and other school-readiness activities. Children were given books to read at home with their parents.

PROJECT TITLE **Summer Reading for Fun**

SPONSOR Newfoundland and Labrador Laubach Council
Laubach Literacy of Canada
P.O. Box 822
Corner Brook, NF
A2H 6H7

CONTACT Isabella Fry
(709) 634-5081; 634-2126 (fax)
1-800-863-0373

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY This Laubach Literacy of Canada program has been adopted by local councils in the province with help from Laubach field services. Run by volunteer groups in each community, the programs offer summertime reading instruction to pre-school and school-age children. In this project, a training program was developed for volunteer tutors and coordinators. An *Operations Manual* and a *Training Guide* were also produced.

PROJECT TITLE **Technology in Education: Acquisition of Software and Reading Materials**

SPONSOR Helen Tulk Elementary School
P.O. Box 130
Bishop's Falls, NF
A0H 1C0

CONTACT David Alcock
(709) 258-6472; 258-6487 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY A bookbag borrowing program was set up for students from kindergarten to Grade Three, in which children received a package of books to read at home. The school also acquired computer software to supplement reading and writing programs, giving children a chance to have fun while becoming computer literate. The funding attracted other partners to the project, which resulted in more resources for the school.

PROJECT TITLE **Teleconference for Educators of Learning Disabled Students**

SPONSOR Learning Disabilities Association of Newfoundland and Labrador
P.O. Box 26036
St. John's, NF
A1E 5T9

CONTACT Roger Deveaux
(709) 754-3665; 754-3678 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1995/96

ACTIVITY The Association held a teleconference with teachers and literacy providers who work with people with learning disabilities. The workshop focused on finding practical solutions. Participants vocalized their own concerns, heard from professionals in the field and learned strategies for overcoming reading and language difficulties.

PROJECT TITLE **Adult Literacy Tutoring: One-to-One**

SPONSOR Teachers on Wheels
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St. John's, NF
A1B 3N9

CONTACT Pamela Rideout
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twheels@avalon.nf.ca

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This grant supported a recruitment process for adult learners and volunteer tutors, and a training program for tutors. The program was undertaken on a smaller scale than originally planned, due to reduced funding.

PROJECT TITLE **BABE Early Readers Program**

SPONSOR Community Adult Participants in Education (CAPE) Committee
Cape Freels Development Association
P.O. Box 9
Newtown, NF
A0G 3L0

CONTACT Deon Perry
(709) 536-3329; 536-5613 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Books And Babies Education (BABE) informs parents about the ways that early reading exposure helps children with later reading and writing development. Information and a resource kit on family literacy are to be given to parents of newborns in the Cape Freels area. The Committee did research and produced a poster, pamphlet and newsletter. Its handbook, *A Guide to Reading with Your Child*, is available.

PROJECT TITLE **Bookbags for Pre-schoolers/Read With Me**

SPONSOR Baie Verte Peninsula Economic Development Association
P.O. Box 122
Baie Verte, NF
A0K 1B0

CONTACT Cynthia Matthews, Gerald Burton
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Bookbags containing first-time readers are being distributed to pre-school children in the Baie Verte area, in order to stimulate a love of reading among young children and their parents. The project is also designed to enable early childhood educators and primary teachers to share resources.

PROJECT TITLE **The Breakfast Bunch**

SPONSOR The Village Merchants' Association
P.O. Box 92
St. John's, NF
A1E 4N1

CONTACT Michele Newton
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Merchants at a St. John's mall set up a reading club for children 12 and under to highlight the need for reading with respect to safety and community issues. Club meetings were held once a month for eight months, each time featuring a show by Performers for Literacy. Children who attended two shows were given books, many of which were acquired through an "Adopt-a-Book" campaign. Project partners were NTV, OZ-FM, Newfoundland Herald, Sterling Press, Coles, A&W, Tim Horton's and SGS.

PROJECT TITLE **Community Literacy Workshop**

SPONSOR Literacy Outreach Office
Red Ochre Regional Board
P.O. Box 70
Parsons Pond, NF
A0K 3Z0

CONTACT Boyd Perry
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This workshop reviewed and refined the strategic literacy plan for Northern Peninsula South and Central. Groups involved in literacy in the area were represented at the workshop. The goal was to strengthen ties among groups and come up with a coordinated plan for implementing and funding literacy services. The workshop focused on intervention, prevention and awareness/promotion.

PROJECT TITLE **Curtoglen Literacy Learning Centre**

SPONSOR Curtoglen Literacy Learning Centre Committee
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Woody Point, NF
A0K 1P0

CONTACT Betty Young
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Literacy Learning Centre expanded its family literacy programming for pre-school children and their parents in the Bonne Bay area. Separate groups of older and younger pre-school children were created, and work began on a separate curriculum for each age group. A resource binder was produced containing pamphlets, activities and other resources. *Successful Learning Experiences* is available on request.

PROJECT TITLE **Curtoglen Literacy Learning Centre**

SPONSOR Curtoglen Literacy Learning Centre Committee
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Woody Point, NF
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Centre set up another early intervention program for pre-school children in the Bonne Bay South area. The Committee acquired books, distributed them to homes with children and encouraged parents to help them "read" the books. The books were designed to give pre-school children a sense of reading before entering school.

PROJECT TITLE **Develop Methods for Literacy Intervention and Correction Through a Peer Tutor/Learner Initiative**

SPONSOR St. Barbe Development Association
P.O. Box 120
Plum Point, NF
A0K 4A0

CONTACT Kelly Reardon, Gloria Toope
(709) 247-2371; 247-2372 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Literacy organizations in the Straits area of the Northern Peninsula have placed a high priority on immediate action to improve literacy levels, as reflected in their strategic plan. As part of this, they are setting up high school peer tutoring, tutor training and homework havens.

PROJECT TITLE **Early Intervention**

SPONSOR Upper Gullies Elementary School
P.O. Box 70
Upper Gullies, NF
A0A 4C0

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sslaney@calvin.stemnet.nf.ca

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY A summer program was developed to help children acquire literacy-related concepts before entering kindergarten. Children and their parents attended nine sessions during July. The program gave children opportunities to develop expressive and receptive language skills, fine and gross motor skills and cognitive skills. Parents learned more about literacy, reading achievement and good literature for children.

PROJECT TITLE **E.V.C.C. Family Literacy Program**

SPONSOR Exploits Valley Community Coalition
P.O. Box 609
Botwood, NF
A0H 1E0

CONTACT Kathryn Tulk
(709) 489-8940; 257-3890 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Exploits Valley Community Coalition is adding a family literacy program to its services for families and children. The project began in response to parents' expressed need for skills to help their children entering school. The Coalition will research appropriate models, acquire materials, train volunteers and pilot the program in two of its Family Resource Centres. The program will focus on the literacy skills of both parents and children.

PROJECT TITLE External Evaluation

SPONSOR The Longside Club
41 Shaw Street
St. John's, NF
A1E 2W8

CONTACT Geraldine Rubia
(709) 722-4338; 722-4868 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Community Learning Centre, operated by the Longside Club in partnership with Cabot College, provided basic education to people with special needs. The evaluation looked at whether objectives were being achieved and if there was still a need for the Club to provide such services. Records were reviewed, and interviews and surveys were done with staff, students and outside agencies. A report was submitted to the Longside Club, the Literacy Development Council and the Department of Education.

PROJECT TITLE Funding to the Learn for Tomorrow Centre

SPONSOR Marystown-Burin/Burin Peninsula Laubach Literacy Council
P.O. Box 1308
Marystown, NF
A0E 4M0

CONTACT Patti Mascaro/Selina Harnett
(709) 279-1176; 279-4288 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Funding enabled the Literacy Council to maintain its tutoring, peer tutoring and GED programs for adults and teens. Baby's First Book packages were distributed to new mothers, the Summer Reading for Fun program was held and tutoring was initiated with school-age children. Community groups, agencies and businesses have collaborated on these activities. The Centre expanded its library and continued outreach work on the Burin Peninsula.

Literacy Development Council Projects 1996/97

PROJECT TITLE A Headstart in Literacy: A Summer Literacy Program for Primary Students

SPONSOR All Saints Primary
P.O. Box 10
Foxtrap, NF
A0A 2J0

CONTACT Maxine Genge
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This summer program focused on specific tasks to improve young students' literacy skills. The program covered reading comprehension, reading capacity and vocabulary expansion. Students also developed skills in descriptive, narrative, informative and expository writing. They came away with positive attitudes about the sessions, reporting to parents that they had learned things and had fun. The students made gains in vocabulary, reading and writing.

PROJECT TITLE Learning Facilitator

SPONSOR Charlottetown Learning Centre Committee
General Delivery
Charlottetown, Labrador, NF
A0K 5Y0

CONTACT Joyce Turnbull, Lisa Dempster
(709) 949-0223; 949-0302 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Centre has arranged for a learning facilitator to direct programming, organize volunteers and network with other organizations. There are plans for a community pre-school program, career workshops, tutor training and tutor-learner matching. The facilitator will also encourage community groups to participate in the Labrador Literacy Information Action Network.

PROJECT TITLE **Learning Packages for Different Reading Levels**

SPONSOR Bonavista South Regional Development Association
General Delivery
Plate Cove East, NF
A0C 2C0

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Development Association is producing reading and activity kits as an alternative to the standard material available in ABE classes. The subject matter is the history and culture of the Discovery Trail region on the Bonavista Peninsula. A kit will be designed for each reading level and tested with learners and instructors. The project is also funded by the National Literacy Secretariat and a federal-provincial Cooperation Agreement.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy Through Computers: An After-School Program for Primary Students**

SPONSOR All Saints Primary School
P.O. Box 10
Foxtrap, NF
A0A 2J0

CONTACT Maxine Genge
(709) 834-3024; 834-8234 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This after-school intervention program helped primary students who needed practice in reading and writing. The school acquired some computer software to enhance the learning exercises, and the children wrote stories and made posters and greeting cards. The children's reading, writing and vocabulary improved, their attention spans increased and they were enthusiastic about the work they were doing.

PROJECT TITLE **Literacy, Youth, Theatre**

SPONSOR Bonaventure-English Harbour Development Association
Bonavista Area Regional Development Association
P.O. Box 38
Trinity, NF
A0C 2S0

CONTACT Fred Walters
(709) 464-3564; 464-3880 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This project combines theatre, literacy training and literacy promotion on the Bonavista Peninsula. A group of young people will work with Performers for Literacy to write short plays on literacy issues. They will perform the plays at schools and events around the Peninsula. The project starts in the spring of 1997 and is also funded by the National Literacy Secretariat.

PROJECT TITLE **Materials Development at Learning Centre**

SPONSOR Bishop's Falls Correctional Centre
The John Howard Society
P.O. Box 880
Bishop's Falls, NF
A0H 1C0

CONTACT Charlene P. Eveleigh
(709) 489-6966; 258-5484 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Funding was used to acquire materials for the Literacy Learning Centre at the Bishop's Falls Correctional Centre School. The Centre purchased workbooks, readers, library reading materials and teacher resource books, which should help to improve instruction and accessibility.

PROJECT TITLE **Newfoundland and Labrador Field Services**

SPONSOR Laubach Literacy of Canada
 c/o Westviking College
 P.O. Box 822
 Corner Brook, NF
 A2H 6H6

CONTACT Isabella Fry
 (709) 634-5081; 634-2126 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This grant for Laubach field services in Newfoundland and Labrador covers the cost of volunteer tutor training, development of local literacy councils and coordination of Books for Babies, Peer Youth Tutoring, Summer Reading for Fun and Parents as Teaching Partners.

PROJECT TITLE **Oral History and Literacy**

SPONSOR Southern Labrador Development Association
 Partners in Learning
 P.O. Box 160
 Forteau, Labrador, NF
 A0K 2P0

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This project seeks to preserve the history of the Labrador Straits and to explore the connection between oral traditions and literacy. Labrador's *Them Days Magazine* is being used as a model for carrying out the work. Groups of seniors and young people have begun to collect and transcribe stories, some of which may be used later in plays and school curriculum. The Committee will produce a booklet describing the project and highlighting some of the material collected.

PROJECT TITLE **Plain Language Story Development**

SPONSOR Ability Employment Corporation
P.O. Box 182
Shoal Harbour, NF
A0C 2L0

CONTACT Maureen Bethel/Cindy Watts
(709) 466-1670; 466-1684 (fax)

FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The goal of this project was to provide reading material at ABE Level I on the subject of living with a disability. Two of the Corporation's clients were selected to write personal accounts of their experiences, with technical assistance from cooperative education students and Canada World Youth volunteers. The booklets, *The Things I Enjoy*, by Paul Strong, and *My Thirty-Ninth Birthday*, by Charlene Butt, are available from the Corporation and were sent to libraries, colleges and literacy centres.

PROJECT TITLE **Program Development**

SPONSOR Rabbittown Learners Program
26 Graves Street
St. John's, NF
A1B 3C5

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY A life skills component is being added to this basic adult learners program at a St. John's community centre. Eighteen modules are being produced at a basic reading level, with an approach that reflects the needs of program participants. Topics include budgeting and financial management, banking, cooking, nutrition, hygiene, parenting and problem-solving.

PROJECT TITLE **Proposal to Automate the Grand Falls-Windsor Learning Centre Literacy Collection**

SPONSOR Literacy Outreach Centre
Central Newfoundland Regional College
P.O. Box 745
Grand Falls-Windsor, NF
A2A 2M4

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Centre's literacy materials are loaned to groups and individuals in the area. Funding was used to replace a manual cataloguing system with the more efficient computerized Molli System. Additional funding from HRDC and the Canadian Library Association was used to hire a student to catalogue books, videos, audiotapes and other materials with the new system.

PROJECT TITLE **A Proposal to Develop a Literacy Website**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The College is working to establish a literacy website, which will increase the accessibility of locally-produced literacy materials using a variety of media. In this research stage, they are collaborating with community-based and post-secondary partners to ensure consistent presentation and delivery formats.

PROJECT TITLE **Ready, Set, Go**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This program prepares children for school by having them attend a session three afternoons a week during the year before kindergarten. Much time is spent reading out loud to the children. They learn the alphabet, colours, shapes and numerals, and they have art, music and gym. At the end of the afternoon, they take home a book and a "homework" sheet to do with parents. The school is preparing a summary report.

PROJECT TITLE **Re-opening the Gander Literacy Centre**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Funding was provided to change the Gander Literacy Centre from a college-owned to a community-owned and operated facility. The Centre, which operates under the Gander Community Education Committee, has representatives from the library, literacy organizations and adult learner groups. The group's priority is to develop an operational plan for the Centre.

PROJECT TITLE **S.A.R.A.W.**

SPONSOR Training for Community Living
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A2H 6J3

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Training for Community Living Employment Preparation Program is supported by the Humber Literacy Council, Westviking College and HRDC. Organizers wanted to help participants improve their reading and writing skills, using computers as a learning tool. They acquired the Speech Assisted Reading and Writing (SARAW) software and are introducing it to participants with low literacy skills.

PROJECT TITLE **Scientific Literacy: Non-Scientists Interpreting Science Text**

SPONSOR Memorial University of Newfoundland
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A1B 3X8

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This research looks at how non-scientists interpret scientific writing, and how teachers can help students become scientifically literate. The project involves reviewing textbooks and science magazines to see where interpretation is difficult. Researchers will also examine how high school and adult education students interpret scientific writing, and what their teachers do to help them. There will be recommendations for improving scientific reading instruction.

PROJECT TITLE **St. Lewis Learning and Resource Centre**

SPONSOR Battle Harbour Regional Development Association
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This Centre in Labrador was established through a partnership of the Development Association and community groups. It functions as a literacy resource library and a place where training and support are available to learners and tutors. The Centre has offered tutoring, workshops, reading circles, homework havens and career counselling. Volunteers work with staff to run the learning programs and to help learners use the resources.

PROJECT TITLE **Strategic Plan and Constitution Update for Newfoundland and Labrador Laubach Literacy Council**

SPONSOR Newfoundland and Labrador Laubach Literacy Council
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY The Newfoundland and Labrador Laubach Literacy Council represents a network of local literacy councils in the province. With support from Laubach Field Services, these volunteer groups have set up literacy and reading programs for adults and youth in their communities. The provincial Council is developing a strategic plan and a new constitution to strengthen the organization.

PROJECT TITLE **Summer Intervention Program to Develop Literacy Skills**

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This project supported an early intervention program for kindergarten children, which was held weekly during the summer. Literature, games and computers were used to help the children with their language skills. Students made progress in listening, oral presentation, reading level and writing skills. Parents were given literature and activities to use with their children to help them retain what they had learned.

PROJECT TITLE **Summer Reading for Fun**

SPONSOR Tableland Literacy Council
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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Tableland Literacy Council in Trout River set up a Summer Reading for Fun program, with help from the Laubach field services. The program provided reading, writing and numeracy instruction to students from Grade One to Level III. Kindergarten and pre-school children met in small groups to learn through play.

Literacy Development Council Projects 1996/97

PROJECT TITLE WECARE Program

SPONSOR Windsor Pentecostal Elementary School
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A2B 1H2

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY Parents of pre-school children are attending information and practice sessions to help them enhance their children's reading time at home. They learn why their role is important, how they can make reading a good experience and where they can find literacy resources in the area. In practice sessions, they can try out techniques to make reading and language development fun at home. The program should help prepare children for kindergarten and get parents involved in the education system.

PROJECT TITLE The Wonderful World of Words Summer Camps

SPONSOR Learning Access Centre, Trinity Bight
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A0C 2S0

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FISCAL YEAR 1996/97

ACTIVITY This summer day camp was designed for school-age children and youth with literacy and learning difficulties. The camp had a learner-tutor ratio of four to one, which allowed for the direct assistance that many of the young learners needed. Although the camp met for only a few hours each week, organizers noted dramatic improvements in reading, writing and comprehension. Camp activities included field visits to local agencies and businesses.

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