

CREATIVE LIBRARY IDEAS FOR PARTICULAR SITUATIONS

Library Tool Kit Project - Federated States of Micronesia (FSM)

The College of Micronesia came up with a wonderful idea for their geographical situation of many small islands which are in the early stages of library development and which need support at different levels. The project consisted of two parts: the Tool Kit and a mini Resource Library

(1) Library Tool Kit -- for schools/communities in the FSM at the beginning stages of library development. *Contents:*

- * Binder of articles and locally produced materials on using volunteers, writing grants, etc.
- * Manuals and articles of the most use to developing library workers in the FSM, including Library Job Descriptions, and Training/Learning materials of most use to school staff interested in starting their own libraries.
- * Case-Study video written and created in Pohnpei State showcasing local initiatives to develop libraries on our island providing inspiring examples of what other schools may do.

(2) Resource Kit/ Mini Resource Library -- designed for the enhancement and development of established libraries. *Contents:*

- * Video on information literacy skills
- * 8 books on various aspects of basics of library organization and management, teaching information literacy/library skills, collection development, information technology etc.

The kit materials are encased in a Rubbermaid Action Packer, which is a waterproof lockable container to make them seaworthy, so that they can be safely transported on inter library loans to outer islands by air, boat, canoe or truck. (With thanks to Jean Thoulag and Sara Krosch for this information)

[Donkey Mobile Libraries in Ethiopia](#)

See the video clip of the joy brought to children by a mobile donkey library. This is the "brainchild" of one of our IASL members, Yohannes.

[Roomtoread Media Library](#)

Showing the impact of school libraries in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Laos, Nepal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Vietnam and Zambia including the arrival of book box libraries to villages.