



## PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR *FAMILY OF READERS*<sup>®</sup> FUNDING

*To be considered for federal matching book funds, prospective programs must complete this form.*

**1. ORGANIZATION OR AGENCY: The sponsoring group that wishes to operate a *Family of Readers* program.**

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*Name of Organization or Agency*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*State*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Zip Code*

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Telephone Number*

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Fax*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*E-mail*

The organization is a:  private nonprofit group  public agency  school

**2. CONTACT PERSON: This should be someone who can answer questions about this application. All information concerning matching funds will be mailed to this address. Please include summer contact information.**

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*Name of Contact Person*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*State*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Zip Code*

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Telephone Number*

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*Fax Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*E-mail*

**3. FUNDING: The *Family of Readers* program budget is based on \$6.60 per child for books for ownership plus \$250 per classroom (or per 25 children) for lending libraries.**

Would you be able to raise enough money to run a  
*Family of Readers* program **without** book funds from RIF?  Yes  No

4. **FAMILIES:** A required component of a *Family of Readers* program is parental involvement. Parents are encouraged to take an increasing role in the operation of the program, as well as participate in book distributions and workshops.

- A. How many families do you anticipate will participate in the program? \_\_\_\_\_
- B. How does your organization encourage parental participation in their children's activities?

5. **CHILDREN:** Please pay particular attention to section F below, specifically citing the source of this data. Programs that intend to operate in more than one location must complete pages 3 and 4.

- A. What is the **total number** of children you wish to serve? \_\_\_\_\_  
 How many of these children are **0-8** years of age? \_\_\_\_\_

*(To control administrative costs, only prospective programs serving 100 or more children will be considered for Federal funds.)*

B. Indicate ethnicity of children you propose to serve:

Percentage (%) (do not use decimals)	Ethnicity Information
_____ %	American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut
_____ %	Asian or Pacific Islander
_____ %	Black
_____ %	Hispanic Origin (of any race)
_____ %	White
_____ %	Other(s) (please specify) _____
<b>Total Must = 100%</b>	

C. Indicate the percentage of children that speak the following as their first language:

Percentage (%) (do not use decimals)	Language Spoken
_____ %	First Language _____
_____ %	Second Language _____
_____ %	Other _____
<b>Total Must = 100%</b>	

D. Indicate the ages of the children you propose to serve:

Percentage (%) (do not use decimals)	Age Groups
_____ %	Ages 0-2
_____ %	Ages 3-5
_____ %	Ages 6-11
_____ %	Ages 12-14
_____ %	15+

**Total Must = 100%**

E. Please **check all** of the following descriptions that apply to the children you plan to serve:

- Low-income children \*
- Children at risk for school failure \*
- Children with disabilities
- Emotionally disturbed children
- Foster children
- Homeless children
- Migrant children
- Institutionalized or incarcerated children  
(e.g., orphanages, hospitals, juvenile detention centers)
- Children without access to libraries
- Children whose parents are institutionalized or incarcerated

\* *NOTE: Consider the following indicators to determine if the children you will serve are low-income or educationally at risk:*

- Children who participate in free or reduced-price lunch
- Children eligible for Title 1
- Children for whom English is a second language
- Head Start children
- Children in public housing
- Children with below-average reading skills
- Teen parents
- School dropouts

F. By providing your program's Free and Reduced-Price Meal statistics in the space provided below, you pledge that you have read the guidance provided by RIF, have consulted your Authorizing Official and reliable sources of information, and are prepared to show proof of this status. RIF retains the right to verify your percentages and source(s) of local demographic data.

**Single-Site Programs:**

**Percentage** of children served who participate in F&R meals: \_\_\_\_\_

**Source(s)** of this information (please list the website/URL, document, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Multi-Site\* Programs:**

**Average percentage** of children served who participate in F&R meals: \_\_\_\_\_

**Source(s)** of this information (please list the website/URL, document, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you for completing this form.**