



## THE LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS

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Dear Mr. Cartwright:

It is my pleasure to inform you that your organization was selected by the Library of Congress 2019 Literacy Awards Program as a Best Practice honoree. This award of \$5,000 recognizes your organization's achievement in the promotion of literacy and in the development of innovative methods and effective practices in the field.

Originated by and sponsored through the generosity of David M. Rubenstein, and administered by the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress, the Literacy Awards Program honors organizations that have made outstanding contributions to increasing literacy in the United States or abroad. We believe your organization serves as a unique and inspiring model for others seeking to advance literacy and literacy awareness.

Your organization, along with other Best Practice honorees will be invited to the Library of Congress at a later date to receive your award. Center for the Book staff will contact you with further logistical details and instructions.

I ask that your organization please keep this honor confidential until after August 30 when the 2019 Library of Congress Literacy Awards Program winners and Best Practice honorees are publicly announced.

Congratulations!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carla Hayden".

Carla Hayden  
Librarian of Congress

cc: Shari Werb, Director, Center for Learning, Literacy and Engagement  
Dawn W. Stitzel, National Program Director, Literacy Awards