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### **HLF Presents \$17,000 Grant to Humboldt County Library System for Language Learning and Ancestry Software, Wireless Printing**



*Library Patron Hailey Hall uses Heritage Quest database at Fortuna Library Branch. Photo courtesy Violet McCrigler*

The Humboldt Library Foundation (HLF) presented the Humboldt County Library system with \$11,300 to support language learning and ancestry programs for library patrons. Funds will be used for annual subscriptions to Mango Languages for Libraries and HeritageQuest ancestry software. HLF also presented the library with an additional \$5,000 for wireless printing technology at the Eureka, Arcata, and Fortuna branches.

“The Humboldt County Library appreciates HLF for recognizing the importance of lifelong learning,” said Supervising Librarian Violet McCrigler. “Online resources like HeritageQuest and Mango Languages open the door for Humboldt County residents to develop new skills, explore history, and learn more about themselves and the world around them. Whether they’re connecting to the past through genealogical research or learning a new language using the latest technology, Humboldt County residents benefit greatly from these innovative offerings.”

Board President Elizabeth Murguia said, “Expanding access to services such as language learning and genealogy software not only meets the Library’s strategic plan, but also ensures that library users have another great resource at their disposal that can be cost prohibitive on the private market.”

Library patrons will be able to access these programs from the library website at home or open library facilities. Mango Languages can also be accessed through the IOS or Android app stores.

HLF was formed in 1996 to build financial support for the Humboldt County Library system, which includes the Main Library in Eureka, ten branches and a bookmobile that serves fourteen rural communities. HLF raises funds in the community and makes direct annual grants to the library to help purchase new materials add programming and provide technology upgrades. Since its inception, HLF has provided over \$1.4 million in grants to the library.

Donations of any size are welcome. If you wish to create a donor advised fund or want more information on the Humboldt Library Foundation and how you can give, visit our website [www.humboldtlibraryfoundation.org](http://www.humboldtlibraryfoundation.org), ‘like’ us on Facebook, or call the HLF office at (707) 269-1991.

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