



Miami Dade College

Library Gateway Project



Library Gateway Project (LGP)

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- \$168,195



Institutions and Agencies Involved

- Miami Dade College, North Campus
- Miami-Dade County Public High Schools
- Focus Group



USDA Collaborator

- National Agricultural Library, Beltsville, MD



CSREES Strategic Goals

- Goal 1: Enhance Economic Opportunities for Agricultural Producers
- Goal 3: Enhance Protection and Safety of the Nation's Agriculture and Food Supply
- Goal 4: Improve the Nation's Nutrition and Health
- Goal 5: Protect and Enhance the Nation's Natural Resource Base and Environment



Project Objectives

- Provide students additional science resources, based on industry-expert advice
- Instruct students in the use of science resources
- Conduct a student science library research contest



Activities

- Institution of a student contest to demonstrate science library skills
- Delegation of librarians and science from science magnet high school and community college travel to National Agricultural Library to learn science research tools and resources
- Workshop held to assist the library, media center and science faculty to deliver science instruction
- Creation of science library resources webpage
- Strategic use of a focus group to determine the resources and skills needed by future scientists



Beneficiaries

- Miami Dade College, North Campus
Students, Science Faculty and Librarians
- Miami-Dade County Public High School
Students, Science Teachers and Media
Specialists



Evaluation

- MDC North will contract with an independent evaluator to conduct an evaluation



Expected Impact

- Improvement of agricultural science resources for Miami Dade College, North Campus and Miami Dade Public High School Libraries and improved student research skills



Quantify beneficiaries

- Number of new materials acquired
- Reported satisfaction of students conducting research
- Reported satisfaction and effectiveness of librarian/faculty workshop
- Number of students entering science research contest and others