

What's New in the South Central Area

Serving Klamath and Lake counties

Thank You!

Our incredible community of 211 volunteers spent over 2,000 hours this year reading with kids and helping them choose new books to keep. We're so grateful for the volunteers, donors, educators and partners who made it possible for us to return to in-person reading, give away thousands of books, and inspire a love of reading in local kids. Thank you for being an important part of SMART!

Corporate and Foundation Sponsors

Many thanks to these businesses and partners for helping us spark joy and opportunity through the magic of a shared book:



What We're Reading

Pulitzer Prize Winning Book, *Trust* by Hernan Diaz
The Hip Grandma's Handbook by Linda Oatman-High
Lifelong Kindergarten: Cultivating Creativity through Projects, Passion, Peers & Play by Mitchel Resnick

SMART in the Community



We were thrilled to participate in many Literacy Nights through Klamath Falls City Schools and Klamath County Schools this year. This summer, we'll also be out and about spreading the word

about SMART at "Lunch n' Learns" throughout the county. Stop by and say hi if you see us!

Pictured: "SMART Superheroes" participating in Literacy Night at Conger Elementary.

Boots for Books a Smashing Success

Once again, Boots for Books was an unforgettable day filled with fun, friends, and fundraising. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this sold out event. We're already counting down the days until next year!

SMART Receives American Rescue Plan Act Grant

South Central SMART received \$50,000 in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) thanks to a grant authored by Area Director Holly Stork. The grant funds 10 school sponsorships in the Klamath Basin.

Pictured: County Commissioner Dave Henslee presenting the check to members of the SMART Leadership Council.



2022-23 Local Impact



26
Sites



1,657
Students Served



14,214
Books Given