Thank you for contacting the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

We appreciate the value of your comments and requests. Due to the large number of inquiries received by the foundation, we may be unable to directly respond. However, you may find the answers to your questions below.

General information about the foundation including grant eligibility guidelines, annual reports, and financial information can be found at www.gatesfoundation.org. We provide only electronic copies of these materials for greater ease of distribution.

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The foundation supports nonprofit organizations in the following areas:

- The Global Development Program focuses on agriculture, financial services for the poor, and access to computers and the internet in international public libraries.
- The Global Health Program concentrates on reducing disease in developing countries.
- The **United States Program** works nationally in education, provides access to technology in public libraries, and works with community programs supporting at risk families in Washington state and the greater Portland, Oregon area.

Please note that the Global Libraries and Education initiatives are not accepting requests for funding at this time.

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Sincerely,

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