2019 Letha H. Brown Literacy Award Submissions

**Altrusa International of Anaheim**

**Creative Writing Project-Expanded**

Creative Writing Project involves over 300 hundred students in three Anaheim schools. All fourth graders write an essay to the prompt “Finding My Voice, Telling My Story.” Each teacher submits five to ten essays for final judging. Judges from Altrusa, APL Foundation, and APL Board select ten essays from each school to receive awards and be published in a booklet.

**Altrusa International of the Central Coast**

**Pay It Forward**

We have been able to provide copies of the book, ‘Pay it Forward’, written by Catherine Ryan-Hyde to three elementary schools and one high school in Santa Maria. ‘Pay it Forward’ has become a worldwide sensation that inspired the Pay it Forward movement and has changed lives around the world. The book also has activities for class participation.

**Altrusa International of Chula Vista**

**Energy Innovation Station**

The Altrusa Club of Chula Vista is partnering with the Chula Vista Public Library to provide materials for an Energy Innovation Station, a new workforce development partnership, that includes a Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math (STEAM) component with a focus on Clean Energy Science.

**Altrusa International of Long Beach**

**Fifth Grade Essay Contest**

Our Long Each Club initiated a writing contest at two Long Beach Unified School District elementary schools with the “My Favorite Book and How It Changed My Life”, in partnership with District Four City Councilman, Dan Supernaw. The goal was to engage students in an authentic reflection of how literature can affect one’s outlook on life.

**Altrusa International of San Diego**

**Light One Little Candle Through Books**

This project provides books to “Light One Little Candle”, a Foundation that offers new children’s books to cancer patients who want to share the joy of reading with their children. In collaboration with our ASTRA Club of USD we have donated over 1,500 books to the Foundation.

**Altrusa International of San Luis Obispo County**

**Oceano Library Enrichment Project**

The Altrusa Intl of San Luis Obispo County Literacy committee was instrumental in the development of the San Luis Obispo County, Oceano Library. We have continued to support the library since its inception in 2005. This year our programs have been arts and crafts oriented which promotes critical thinking, listening, visualization and concentration. Nothing succeeds like success.
Altrusa International of Tucson
Tully Elementary School Lending Library

The Tully School Lending Library offers books to pre-kindergarten children ages 3, 4, and 5 every Monday in two groups, after the morning class and before the afternoon class. Children, with their parents or their teachers, come to a special building to return the two books they borrowed the previous week and select two to borrow for the current week.

Altrusa International of the West Valley
Parent University

Altrusa of the West Valley (AZ) worked with teachers at Kingswood Elementary School in Surprise, Arizona to buy new books for Toolkits to give out at a Parent University night at the school. The toolkits would provide educational opportunities and resources for parents to assist their Preschool through second-grade students(s) in improving their literacy skills during after-school hours.