



2006 - 2007 Manitowoc County Statistics

Volunteer Time:

Fifty-one Home and Community Education (HCE) members and community volunteers read to 210 Manitowoc County Head Start children eight times at Head Start sites during the school year. One additional volunteer acted as substitute reader. First Book Coordinator, Linda Verlinden, organized the book shipments throughout the school year.

- ❖ Readers spent two hours total for preparation and reading of each book, 816 hours
- ❖ Coordinator spent time organizing various events and book shipments, 7 hours
- ❖ Total volunteer time commitment, 823 hours

Donations:

- ❖ 210 book bags - Fabric was donated by Skin and Bones Upholstery. One dollar per bag was projected for fabric donations which amounted to \$210. Volunteers made the book bags taking one-half hour per bag to sew for a total of 105 hours.
- ❖ Bookplates and children's certificates - Donated by Manitowoc County Head Start \$85
- ❖ Miscellaneous postage and supplies - Donated by the Manitowoc County Home and Community Education Association in the amount of \$65
- ❖ 20 sets of books for the Salvation Army reading site were provided by Head Start (20 sets x \$23.25/set) \$465.00.
- ❖ Funds for the remaining 190 sets of books (190 x \$23.25) were secured through a grant from United Way of Manitowoc County, Inc. written by UW-Extension Family Living Educator, Faye Malek, and a contribution of \$500 from Service League of Manitowoc County, Inc. \$4,417.50.

Acknowledgements:

- ❖ A Reader Appreciation Day was held on May 3, 2007. Each reader received the new "Wisconsin Bookworms" pin and a picture of their class as a token of appreciation.
- ❖ Head Start children were presented with a "Wisconsin Bookworms" certificate of participation on the last day of school.

Projected Cost:

- ❖ The projected cost for books for the 2007-2008 program year is \$4,417.50 (\$23.25 per child (with eight books being read during the year) x 190 children). Head Start will pick up the cost of the books for the Salvation Army site, reducing the total cost of books by \$465.00 to \$3,952.50. WAHCE also contributed \$100.00 further reducing the cost of the books to \$3,852.50.