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**Fwd: Little Free Library Project**

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Good after, Roger,

As per our phone call I am writing to clarify information about the Little Free Library Project. The South Texas Literacy Coalition recently purchased three "Little Free Libraries" (trademarked) and made a decision to place these in two locations in Hidalgo County and one in Starr County in order to reach out to children geographically isolated from a public library and the acquisition of books and print materials. The history of the Little Free Library project is this:

"**Little Free Library** is a [nonprofit organization](#) that supports the worldwide movement to offer free books housed in small containers to members of the local community. The organization is based in [Hudson, Wisconsin](#), US.

The idea was popularized in [Hudson, Wisconsin](#), in 2009 when Todd Bol mounted a wooden container designed to look like a school house on a post on his lawn as a tribute to his mother, who was a book lover and [school teacher](#). Bol shared his idea with his partner, Rick Brooks, who spread the word, and the idea spread rapidly. Library owners can create their own library box, usually about the size of a doll house, or purchase one from the website.

Libraries have been donated to rural areas that have no libraries of their own or that have been affected by disasters. Libraries often incorporate materials from the community.

Libraries of all shapes and sizes exist, from smaller collections in brightly painted wooden houses"



More information on the little free library can be found

at:<https://littlefreelibrary.org/faqs/>

After some consideration the South Texas Literacy Coalition made the decision to gift a Little Free Library to the Alamo Community Center and another to the San Carlos Center in Precinct 2. We have a wonderful working relationship with both centers and have held literacy events and provided free books to both centers.

Tomorrow we happen to be having an event at the District Clerk's office at 10 a.m. where the employees of that office are donating funds as a community service project to the South Texas Literacy Coalition. These funds will ultimately be used to keep providing books to each Little Free Library. This is a separate issue than the gift of the libraries to your center. However, we wanted to utilize the opportunity to showcase our partnership with the county and gift each precinct with a library.

Hope this clears up the information. At the time that each center actually installs its respective Little Free Library we would like to do a follow-up ribbon-cutting and photo opportunity. This could be during the holidays or after the New Year - whenever each center feels the time is appropriate.

Looking forward to seeing you and staff from Precinct 2 and 4 tomorrow at 10 a.m.

With best regards,

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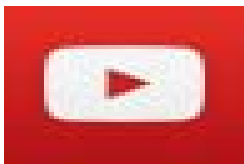
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