

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MA) (S371C200015) \$1,200,000 proposes to enhance the literacy activities of an existing cohort of subgrantees. During the 2021-22 school year, awards were made to a first cohort of subgrantees identified as needing foundational supports to fully implement high-quality literacy instruction. They completed several preliminary activities including evaluation and selection of high-quality curricular materials and conducting a school/district literacy needs assessment. The 2022-23 school year focused on starting implementation including professional development aligned with the identified materials. The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MA-DESE) will use the supplemental funds to further support this cohort of subgrantees over Years 4 and 5 of the grant performance periods. The additional funding will be focused on enhancing the depth and breadth of specific components of the literacy activities. As an example, MA-DESE currently employs job-embedded coaching to ensure fidelity of implementation in their schools. The supplemental funds will further strengthen these activities by allowing for increased one-on-one support for literacy specialists and English Language Acquisition teachers.