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GREENVILLE ROTARY PROJECT ON NEWS

Jack Roper, left, from My Carolina interviewed Michael Cooper, chair of Money Smart for the Rotary Club of Greenville, and Daneen Schatzle of the Greenville Library, a partner in Money Smart. Click on the circle to watch the interview.

GREENVILLE

This club earned the Literacy Award for a much-improved 8 year old adult Literacy program titled "Money Smart." The mission of Greenville's Money Smart program is to empower adults with the basic tools to take control of their financial situation. Eighty-one adults were helped to develop the financial confidence and knowledge to

1. understand credit,
2. develop a budget
3. use banking services
4. develop a savings plan.

Adults gained a sense of financial stability and security.

To partner with Rotary, the Greenville County Library System spent \$10,032.80 for printing of the Money Smart curriculum, promotional materials and participant incentives. Money Smart classes are a core component of the Library System's financial education programs supported by a two-year grant awarded by the American Library Association in 2012.

The total amount of money spent on all literacy projects by Greenville was \$12,500 budgeted for 2012-13, \$11,347.08 spent to date in support of our Read to Me program, the Rotary Family Literacy Center of the Greenville Literacy Association and the Haiti Library Project.

LITERACY TRENDS

Interact

More student involvement with Interact Clubs

Preschool

Numerous programs with preschool and K-4 and K-5 aged students

Money

An increase in funds designated for literacy.

Global Grant

The Haiti Literacy Project is in the process of writing a Global Grant which must be approved by the Haiti Task Force.

Leader clubs

This year, eight Leader Clubs were very active their support the Haiti Project

Onsite visits to Haiti

Seven different club members visited and worked in Cange and numerous clubs donated money for improving the library.