

Sister libraries: a White House millennium project

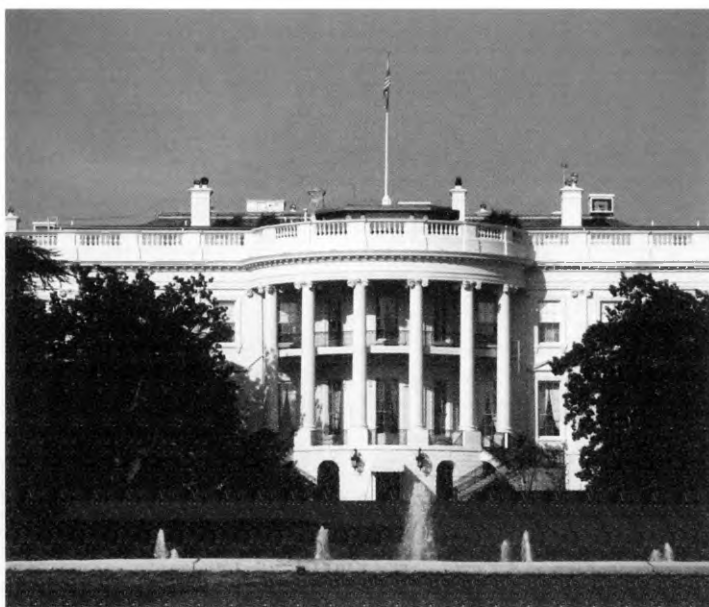
'...mosaic of opportunities planned for children and teenagers...'

Sounds fantastic! Sister Libraries is a major initiative of National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) and Sister Cities International. The goal is for public and school libraries in the United States to pair with others worldwide, focussing initially on programs specifically planned for children and teenagers. Fifty-one libraries in the United States have been selected for the first phase of Sister Libraries

Gold Coast City Council Library Service has opened discussions with Broward County Public Library in Fort Lauderdale. Council confirmed our Sister City agreement with Fort Lauderdale a few weeks ago, this initiative provides both library services with a exciting forum for an exchange of ideas, cultural programs and workshops. The possibilities for this initiative are endless, perhaps even the odd job exchange.

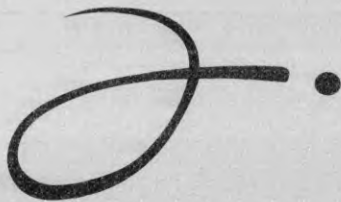
Gold Coast City Council Library Service has a very dynamic Young Peoples Team. In Book Week alone (August 1999) our staff provided book talking, storytelling sessions, book clubs, orientation programs and information sessions to almost 12 000 young people. A very exhausting but hugely successful event for staff involved in the sessions and those staffing our very busy desks (circulation issues number approximately 4.5 million per annum).

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mation on our young peoples activities or contact mmorganbindon@goldcoast.qld.gov.au for information about our Sister Libraries discussions.

For more information on 'Sister libraries: a White House millennium project', please see <http://www.nclis.gov/news/pr99/sistdes1.html>.



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