

Navajo County Drug Project

Navajo County Coalition Against Drug Abuse

A Coalition of Concerned Navajo County Residents Joined Together to:

- EDUCATE the Community on the substance abuse crisis
- REHABILITATE those who have fallen into the addiction
- ENFORCE laws pertaining to the spread of substance abuse in our communities



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Drug Project Donates Books to Juvenile Detention



HOLBROOK—Hope School students detained at Navajo County Juvenile Detention, have an abundance of new books to occupy idle hours after classes. Through a grant, Navajo County Drug Project provided 250 new books for the facility. Topics ranged from self-help and recovery to challenges facing teens today, along with an ample selection of popular fiction and literary classics. The \$3,000 grant awarded by the Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc. funded the book donation.

Michael Lange, who oversees Hope School, said the reading library previously housed about 600 well-read paperbacks. He said the students spend much of their time in confinement with books. The students expressed sincere appreciation for the additions. They even contributed requests to the book purchase list.

The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc. annually awards grants to rural and urban public libraries serving at-risk children. Awards range from \$500 to \$5,000, to libraries with real need and limited book budgets for young people. The award committee stretched the guidelines to allow this grant for a non-traditional library.

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Photo by Michael Lange: Hope School student at Navajo County Juvenile Detention browses the new collection of books donated by Navajo County Drug Project, funded by a grant from the Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc.

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Mission Statement:

To develop a diverse community representation, coordinate a sustained effort in educating and preventing the substance abuse through a plan for change in local social norms through prevention, treatment and vigorous enforcement of existing laws.