



PENQUIS

Community Action Program

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PENQUIS CAP RECEIVES MAINE FAMILY LITERACY INITIATIVE GRANT

BANGOR—Penquis Community Action Program recently received a Maine Family Literacy Initiative award to support Voices in Reading, a free reading program for families with young children. Penquis CAP is working collaboratively with Literacy Volunteers of Bangor as well as Raising Readers, the Maine Discovery Museum, and the Bangor Public Library on this year-long program to promote family literacy. Families in the Bangor area with children 0 to 5 years of age are especially encouraged to participate.

The Maine Family Literacy Initiative award was one of ten winning grants of approximately \$25,000 each funded by the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy. As with all of the programs funded under the Initiative, Voices in Reading will provide family literacy services that include adult literacy tutoring, early childhood literacy, child development information and activities, and parent and child time for reading together.

Voices in Reading is offering free children's books and learning materials, opportunities to improve reading skills, and fun family events to help families grow and learn together. For more information, call the Literacy Volunteers of Bangor at 947-8451.

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