Assistance in the distribution of "From La La to Zydeco"

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An educational DVD project, "From La La to Zydeco" created through a collaboration of the School of Music and KRVS Radio is finished and will be ready for distribution in October, 2005. It contains ninety minutes of Creole and zydeco music recorded in south west Louisiana over a thirty year period, along with interviews, photographs, paintings, and excerpts from books.

Previous grants have made possible the manufacturing of one thousand copies, but there is presently no budget to distribute or promote the disks. Approximately half of them will be donated to libraries throughout the state using library transportation resources. The rest are earmarked for cultural organizations and for use by the artists (who donated the use of their performances and compositions) for promotional purposes.

We are planning a release party on October 29 in the Clifton Chenier Center in Lafayette. We would like to send out invitations to people and organizations capable of providing support in the future, and to put up posters in the branch libraries. We do not have a budget for this, nor for sending individual copies to selected libraries and other organizations in other states. We would also like to prepare some packets to send to organizations that could repackage the collection in order to make it available to a national, and eventually international, audience.

Budget: \$175 for xeroxing, packaging, and postage