

**Summary for projects submitted to the Appropriations Committee for the FY11  
Appropriations Cycle**

**The proposed recipient:** JBI International

**Address of the recipient:**

JBI International  
110 East 30th Street  
New York, NY 10016

**The amount of the request:** \$531,250.

Purpose of the project and why it is a good use of taxpayer funds: The funding would be used for converting from analog to digital format 4,000 Talking Book titles from The JBI Library, thus ensuring continued access to this unique collection by blind and visually impaired Americans of all ages and backgrounds. JBI's digitization project is necessitated by The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) of the Library of Congress' platform shift to new digital play-back machines that can only be used with Digital Talking Books.