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## **Children's Literacy Foundation Visits Laraway**

"What kinds of book do you like to read?" Duncan McDougall asked a group of Laraway students. McDougall, Executive Director of the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF), called on kids as they raised their hands responding with, "Mysteries." "Graphic Novels." "Adventure." "History." "I just like it to be true," one student said.

Laraway is fortunate to have received a Summer Readers Grant from CLiF again this year. McDougall met with two groups of Laraway children, ranging in age from 7 to 19. He offered a dramatic reading of a story before inviting each participant to choose two, brand-new books to take home.

Children and youth in Laraway's programs often come from families experiencing significant socioeconomic challenges. Transportation to get to the library or, simply, time can be barriers for working families and others. That's the beauty of CLiF...they bring the storytellers and the books to Laraway!

We are grateful to have been selected, yet again, for CLiF's Summer Readers Program!

Laraway Youth & Family Services is a non-profit organization dedicated to identifying and building on the strengths of children and youth with emotional, behavioral and mental health challenges, through alternative education, therapeutic foster care, therapy and public school based behavioral intervention supports. For more information, please visit [www.Laraway.org](http://www.Laraway.org). For more information on CLiF, please visit <http://clifonline.org>.

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