



Mission

Promote a culture of reading by increasing access to and ownership of books for limited-resource children in the Greater Akron region. We aim to do this at the earliest possible age to ensure children grow up habituated to the potential of books as sources of learning and joy

Our Main Book Giving Programs:

Growing Young Readers: We give bags of about 5 books to the children of WIC clients (aged 0 - 5) twice a year



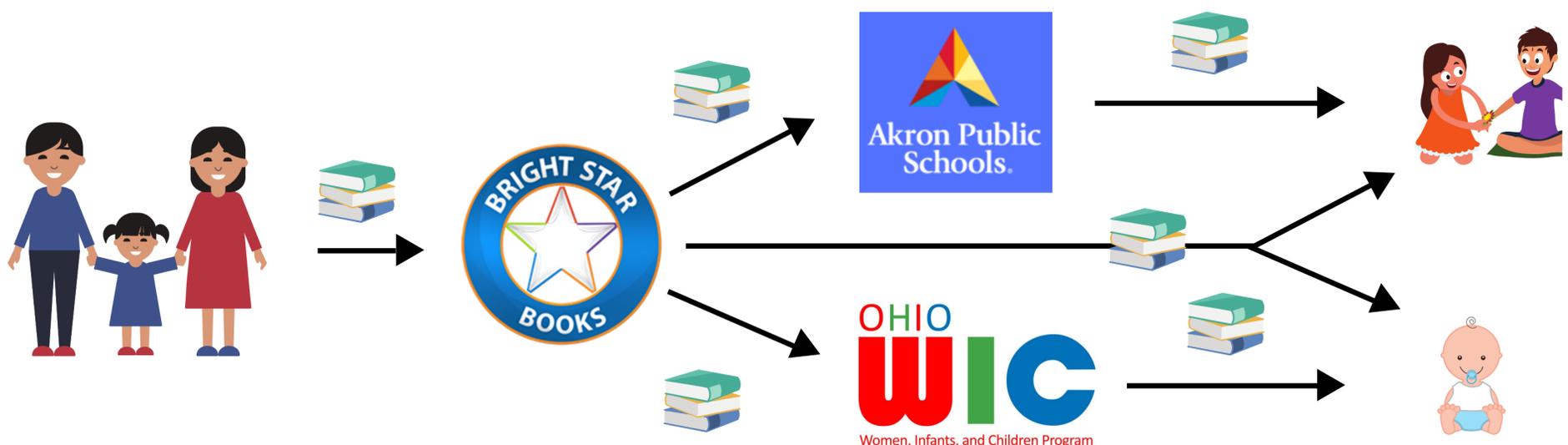
Free Book Fairs: We give reading-level appropriate books to children at Title I elementary schools at no cost



Story Time: We read, then give away, storybooks to children at WIC Clinics and other social service agencies



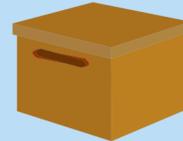
Bright Star Books is the only non-profit in Greater Akron that gives donated children's books for free exclusively to limited-resource children



Bright Star Books has distributed more than **170,000** books to **40,000** children between 2015 and 2019

A Community-Based Approach

Volunteering with Bright Star Books is family-friendly and high impact; Volunteers can sticker, sort, pack, and deliver books to our partners

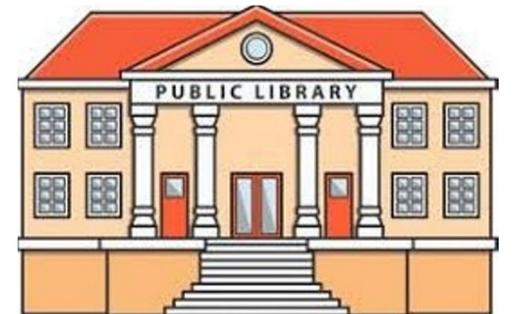


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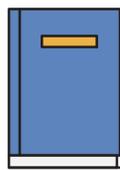
61% of limited-resource children own no age-appropriate books

Kids who own books are 5x more likely to graduate from high school than kids without reading-level appropriate books

Bright Star Books partners with schools, preschools, service organizations, libraries, places of worship, businesses, and individuals to collect new and gently-used book



Want to get involved?



We need passionate people to share their money, books, time and ideas with us

Contact Us:

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