



# B R I G H T S T A R B O O K S



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## COMMUNITY OF GIVING

WWW.BRIGHTSTARBOOKS.ORG

### CHILDREN REACHED

**40,000**

Limited-resource children have at least one book from us

### BOOK DISTRIBUTION

**170,000+**

Books given to limited-resource children

### VOLUNTEERS

**300+**

Compassionate, hardworking people have prepared and distributed books to kids in need

### PARTNERS

**50+**

Organizations and institutions receive books from us yearly or monthly or donate to us annually



## WHAT WE DO WWW.BRIGHTSTARBOOKS.ORG

### GROWING YOUNG READERS

We give bags of about 5 books to the children of WIC clients twice a year (ages 0 - 5)

### FREE BOOK FAIRS

We give children in Title I elementary schools reading level-appropriate books at no cost

### REDISTRIBUTION

We give books to other local non-profit organizations that redistribute them to their limited-resource clients

### STORY TIME

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

### EVENTS

We provide children's books at special events geared toward limited-resource families, e.g., WIC Farmers' Markets

### PROGRAMS

We supply books for programs that serve limited-resource children; Early Head Start, Summer Reading Programs, etc.



### BRIGHT STAR BOOKS

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## WHY WE DO IT



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



Book ownership is the best predictor of academic success; bookless children lag 3 years behind their peers on average



Kids who develop reading proficiency by the end of 3rd grade become 6x more likely to graduate high school



People without high school diplomas earn about \$12,000 less annually, on average, than high school graduates

## HOW TO HELP

Just \$2.75 can get a child 5 books

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<https://www.brightstarbooks.org/how-to-help.html>