



The launch of the My Home Library project marked an inspiring milestone in our mission to promote literacy and foster a genuine love of reading within our community. Our goal was to empower children with access to books they could proudly call their own—and by all accounts, this first year has been an overwhelming success.

Our dedicated sponsors and volunteers visited **16 schools**, delivering books and engaging directly with students. In total, we provided **13,200 books to 2,187 students**, placing thousands of stories into homes and hearts across the county. This tangible impact has sparked enthusiasm not only within classrooms, but also throughout households, encouraging reading as a shared and celebrated experience.

The emotional response from students was remarkable. Many children expressed amazement at being able to keep their books, with several joyfully declaring their plans to read with siblings or show the books to their families.

As our inaugural year, this program offered valuable lessons and insights that will guide our future efforts. We're already planning enhancements to the initiative—expanding book selections, refining logistics, and building even stronger partnerships to ensure broader reach. Notably, the success of this first year has generated momentum and interest from new potential grantors who are eager to support the program. Their enthusiasm, combined with the response from our community, reaffirms the importance and potential of My Home Library as a cornerstone literacy initiative.

We are incredibly excited to continue this work, grow the program's reach, and provide even more children with the tools, stories, and confidence to become lifelong readers.

The journey has only just begun.



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16
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Be a part of a story that will last a lifetime.

Pledge to help United Way of Cleveland County continue our commitment to literacy today!

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Provide a library to 120 students.

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Be A Chapter Champion - \$5,000

Provide a library to 200 students.

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Provide a library to 300 students.

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Provide a library to 400 students.

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Provide a library to 800 students.

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All sponsors donating \$3,000 or more will have their logo featured on the **My Home Library Backpack!**

Sponsors are also invited to come to school sites to read and engage with students when the **My Home Library Backpacks** are delivered!

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