

Sponsor a Book Drive

Organizing a book drive and donating books is a great activity. Most people have children's books that family members have out grown in closets, basements, garages and attics. By organizing a book drive you enable people to open up space AND most importantly, allow new and gently used children's books to enter the hands of Philadelphia's children.



Book drives are a fun way to bring people together for a good cause. The sponsor of the book drive usually determines its length. This is a great project for adults, college students and youth. Several individuals have utilized book drives to fulfill community service requirements, service learning projects, Girl Scout activities, and bar mitzvah and bat mitzvah components. Book drives can be held in a place of employment, restaurant, faith community, middle school, high school, college or university, social or civic organization, or neighborhood.



This project involves generating participation, developing and posting flyers, sorting books, securing appropriate book collection site(s), setting up book collection bin(s), sorting through books to ensure they are in good condition & appropriate, and coordinating with PHILADELPHIA READS at the end of the drive for book delivery/pick-up. PHILADELPHIA READS will provide the "book bins" if needed. All books will be utilized by schools, summer camps and after-school programs. Books can be collected in the winter, spring summer and fall. Contact Nicole at PHILADELPHIA READS (215) 686-4450 to inquire about organizing a book drive.

Anyone with the energy and commitment to plan and follow through with projects is ideal.

PHILADELPHIA READS only accepts new or gently used books for children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade. We do not accept adult books, magazines, encyclopedias (more than two years old), workbooks, etc. However we do accept donations of NEW supplies such as journals, pencils/pens, crayons, penmanship books, etc.

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