

Here's How YOU Can Help!

Reading Enriches All Children (REACH, Inc.) greatly appreciates financial donations of any amount. Your gift is used to further the cause of literacy among children who have so little.

Each year, REACH distributes school supplies and thousands of books. Funds are also used to identify and meet the growing needs of children in our community through program expansion.

If you are uncertain of how you would like to assist REACH, please consider the financial gift option. This will allow us to direct the funds where they are needed most in a timely manner.

If you would like to help in other ways, REACH is always in need of new books for children ages 1-18. Since two new books are given to each child that attends our Shelter Read-Aloud Programs, they can be expensive to purchase. New books are a great way to also help the children we serve.

REACH is a 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law.

REACH is a proud Partner Agency of:



Here's How to Get Involved!

For more information about becoming a REACH volunteer:
volunteer@reachreads.org
757-627-4722

Training for read-aloud volunteers takes place the 1st Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm. If you would like to become a read-aloud volunteer, please email your RSVP to:

volunteer@reachreads.org.

Once you've RSVP'd, we will contact you with additional details, location and steps on how to become a read-aloud volunteer.

We would love to have you become a REACH volunteer!

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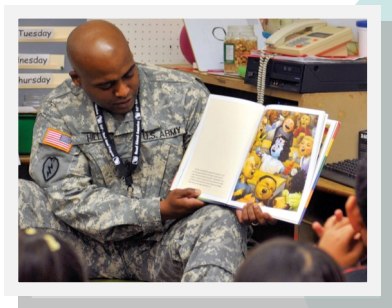
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OUR MISSION

The REACH Mission is to support the literacy needs of at-risk and homeless children living in our community.

More About Us

The REACH Shelter Read-Aloud Program brings literacy volunteers to hundreds of children living in homeless and domestic violence shelters through weekly read-aloud programs. Our volunteers visit area shelters and partner agencies each week and read to children as well as engage them in activities. At each read-aloud, children choose two new books giving them an opportunity to build their personal libraries. REACH currently partners with 11 shelters as well as community organizations located throughout Hampton Roads.



Our Community Impact

In fiscal year 2015-16, REACH impacted the literacy needs of **987 individual at-risk and homeless children** living in homeless and domestic violence shelters, as well partner agencies throughout Hampton Roads.



With the help of **207 read-aloud volunteers**, REACH conducted **310 read-alouds** in our partner shelters and community agencies...reading **930 stories!**



Distributed **15,756 books valued at nearly \$55,000** to children in need. This number includes new books distributed in shelters and community read-alouds, as well as gently-loved books distributed through our Growing Readers program.

Our Volunteer Needs

- **Read-Aloud Volunteers** - Visits shelters each week and read to the children as well as engage them in activities. These volunteers must be at least 18 years old, have reliable transportation, attend a short training, and must go through a comprehensive background check through Verified Volunteers®.
- **Event Volunteers** – GREAT FOR GROUPS! We have several special events throughout the year such as our annual corporate Survivor Challenge, partnering with Festevents to bartend/pull beer, REACH Bookmark Imagination Station, our annual used book sale, or our holiday book drive at Barnes & Noble. (This does not require attending the volunteer training or a background check. Bartending volunteers must be at least 21 years old.)
- **Book pick-up & drop-off Volunteers** - REACH is a small organization with only two full-time employees and it is helpful to have volunteers who can pick-up books & drop-off books as needed to area shelters. These volunteers must be at least 18 years old, have reliable transportation, and go through a comprehensive background check through Verified Volunteers®.
- **Office Volunteers** - needed to help support book organization. We receive many books each week, and help is needed to organize incoming books. (This does not require attending the volunteer training or a background check.)