UNITED WAY
Central Iowa

HOLIDAY BOOK DRIVE

United Way of Central Iowa Wish List



United Way of Central Iowa is working to deliver children's books into the hands of the kids we serve.

- Celebrate diversity and inclusion.
- Promote understanding, acceptance, and respect for all.
- Feature characters who represent many diverse cultures, races, ethnicities, and abilities.

BOARD BOOKS

Perfect picks for our earliest learners

- A is for Awesome: 23 Iconic Women Who Changed the World
- Baby's Big World books
- Baby Rhyme Time Board books (Spanish & English) by Annie Kubler
- Be Bold, Baby board books
- Bilingual Board Books by Roger Priddy
- Big and Little: A Book of Animal Opposites
- Bright Baby Touch and Feel books by Roger Priddy
- Brilliant Baby series by Laura Gehl
- Color Gallery: Introducing First Colors Through Art
- Dream Big, Little One
- Future Baby series by Lori Alexander
- Hello Hello Shapes
- Hello, World series
- Hey Now, Little Man
- Illusions in Art: Food
- Knock Knock: Who's There?
- Learn and Explore series by Roger Priddy
- Let's Be Brave
- Let's Be Friends
- Lil' Libros books by Patty Rodriguez
- Little Feminist series
- Little Heroes series
- Little Leaders-Bold Women in Black History
- Little Scientist set
- My Body and Me: My First Body Positivity Book
- My First Heroes: Black History
- My First Library
- Nerdy Babies series
- Peekaboo Who?
- Think Big, Little One
- This Little series
- Where is My Nose?
- Who Was? series

PICTURE BOOKS

Books consisting mainly or entirely of pictures and appeal to all learners through their vivid illustrations, photographs, and text

- Are You Big? by Mo Williams
- Bartali's Bicycle by Megan Hoyt
- Completely Me books by Dr. Justine Green
- Creatrilogy books by Peter H. Reynolds
- Crick, Crack, Crow! by Janet Lord
- Drop: An Adventure through the Water Cycle by Emily Kate Moon
- Garland of Lights by Chitra Soundar
- Growing an Artist: The History of a Landscaper and His Son by John Parra
- I Am Books by Susan Verde
- I Want to Read All the Books by Debbie Ridpath Ohi
- Jonty Gentoo – The Adventures of a Penguin by Julia Donaldson
- Katie's Tiny Messengers by Megan Hoyt
- Listen by Gabi Synder
- Martina Has Too Many Tías by Emma Otheguy
- Mr. Fox's Game of "No!" by David LaRochelle
- No More Senora Mimi by Meg Medina
- Over and Under series by Kate Messner
- Puff: All About Air by Emily Kate Moon
- The Coquíes Still Sing: A Story of Home, Hope and Rebuilding by Karina Nicole González
- The Food Group series by Jory John and Pete Oswald
- The Greatest Song of All by Megan Hoyt
- The Night Market by Seina Wedlick
- The Notebook Keeper: A Story of Kindness from the Border by Stephen Briseño
- The Questioneers: Picture Books by Andrea Beaty
- Today by Gabi Synder
- Towed by Toad by Jashar Awan

NONFICTION

Writing that is based on facts, real events, and real people, such as biography or history

- Amazing Scientist Series
- Code Girls
- Elinor McGrath Pet Doctor: The Story of America's First Female Veterinarian by Jacqueline Johnson
- Girls Think of Everything
- Go Forth and Tell: The Life of Augusta Baker by Breanna McDaniel
- Groundbreaking Guys: 40 Men Who Became Great by Doing
- Hidden Figures Young Readers' Edition
- I Am Learning books by James McDonald and Rebecca McDonald
- I Survived series
- Legends and Dreamers Bold and Visionary Women Around the World
- Little Heroes-Courageous People Who Changed the World Series
- Little Kids First BIG Book of Animals
- Little Leaders books
- Little Legends Exceptional Men in Black History
- Little People, BIG Dreams series
- Meet the Universe series by Eve Vavagiakis
- National Geographic Kids Missions
- National Geographic Kids Weird but True series
- Ordinary People Change the World Series
- Teen Trailblazers 30 Fearless Girls Who Changed the World Before They were 20
- This Little collection
- Time for Kids BIG Book of Who
- Totally True Adventures! Series
- Trailblazing Men
- Young Change Maker Series by Stacy Bauer

BEGINNING CHAPTER BOOKS

Contain both prose and pictures. They tell the story mainly through the text

- Absolutely Alfie series
- Ada Lace books
- Akimbo series
- A-Z Mysteries
- Ivy + Bean series
- Katie Woo series
- Lola Levine series
- Meet Yasmin series
- Nikki & Deja series
- Sophia Martinez series
- The No 1 Car Spotter series
- Zapato Power series

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Novels in comic-strip form and are popular with kids who are intimidated by long paragraphs and chapters

GRAPHIC NOVEL SERIES for Early Elementary

- Arlo & Pips
- Babymouse
- Baloney and Friends
- Beak & Ally
- Bug Boys
- Cat Kid Comic Club
- Chef Yasmina
- Dungeon Critters
- Giggle and Learn
- Hound Heroes
- Little Robot by Ben Hatke
- Narwhal and Jelly
- Noodlehead Nightmares
- Norma and Belly
- Owly
- Pacey & Packer
- Pea, Bee, & Jay
- Pea, Bee & Jay Stuck Together
- Peter & Ernesto
- Tater Tales

GRAPHIC NOVELS for Older Elementary

- Allergic by Megan Wagner Lloyd
- Breaking Cat News Series
- Invisibly by Christina Diaz Gonzalez
- I Survived series
- Hilo series
- History Comics
- Just Roll with It by Veronica Agarwal
- Maker Comics series
- Measuring Up by Lily LaMotte
- Mr. Wolf's Class series
- Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales
- Pawcasso series
- Science Comics
- The Last Kids on Earth series
- Twins: A Graphic Novel by Varian Johnson
- Unsolved Cased Files (nonfiction series about real FBI cases)

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