



Little Free Library®

2022 GRATITUDE REPORT



DEAR FRIENDS OF LITTLE FREE LIBRARY,

On behalf of Little Free Library, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks for all you have done to support our organization. Whether you are a volunteer steward, a donor, a supporter of our mission, or all three, thank you for your support. With your help, we are able to work towards our vision of a Little Free Library in every community and a book for every reader.

2022 was an incredible year for Little Free Library full of partnerships, opportunities, and growth. This report will demonstrate some of the work we accomplished, all thanks to our supporters like you. The more than 155,000 Little Free Library book-sharing boxes in all 50 states and 120 countries are giving readers a chance to learn, grow, and dream. You are helping readers unleash their potential, no matter where they live.

Thank you again for all that you do to build community, inspire readers, and increase book access. You are directly impacting your community and our world, one book at a time.



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Executive Director
Little Free Library



Nancy Wulkan
National Board Chair
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Thank You To Our Stewards

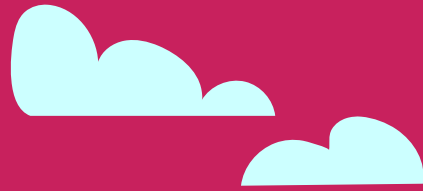
The Little Free Library organization would not exist without our stewards. Over 100,000 volunteer stewards give time, energy, resources, and love to their book-sharing boxes. Thank you to our stewards! Here are some comments from the recent steward survey:

“I really enjoy being a steward of a Little Free Library and meeting lots of people in our community! I am disabled so I feel this is my way of getting involved in the community and sharing the joy of reading with the children that live here.”

“I love quietly sharing good books with my neighbors, especially older people who don’t get out to libraries as often. People voice their appreciation quite often and I find it to be a great community service.”

“My son and I watch over three other little libraries that do not seem to have stewards: we place our overflow books, keep them clean, etc. I thought the LFL would be another chore for me, but have found it an activity that my adult son and I enjoy....”





Little Free Library cannot do our work without the many donors, volunteer stewards, foundations, corporate sponsors, and supporters who give generously of their time and treasure. Thank you for everything you do to make our world a better place, one book at a time.



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Impact Library Program

Through the Impact Library Program, Little Free Library provides no-cost book-sharing boxes to communities where books are scarce. Studies prove that the more books in or near the home, the more likely a child will learn and love to read. Little Free Library book exchanges are an excellent vehicle for areas without easy access to books.

Because of the generosity of our donors and supporters, Little Free Library was able in 2022 to grant 272 book-sharing boxes to communities across the country.

95%

of Impact Program participants agree that their library is providing books to people who have little-to-no access to books elsewhere







Read in Color[®]

Read in Color By the Numbers



14

Read in Color
Cities Launched



200+

Little Free Libraries
Granted



40,000+

Diverse Books
Shared

Everyone should be able to see themselves in the pages of a book. Little Free Library's Read in Color[®] initiative distributes books that provide perspectives on racism and social justice, celebrate BIPOC, LGBTQ+, and other marginalized voices, and incorporate experiences from all identities for all readers. By reading diverse books, we can increase understanding, empathy, and inclusion.

In 2022, Read in Color launched in four cities: Denver, New Orleans, Portland (OR), and San Francisco. Because of your support, Little Free Library was able in 2022 to grant 40 book-sharing boxes filled with diverse books to these communities.





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Little Free Library is so grateful for your support and the impact it has on readers all around the world. It is because of you that we are able to grow and expand our efforts to make books more accessible to all.

Your continued support is crucial to our ability to build community, inspire readers, and increase book access. Make your gift today using the enclosed envelope or online at littlefreelibrary.org/donate. Thank you.



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