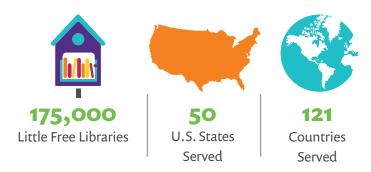


What started as a simple idea became a global literacy movement. The first Little Free Library book-sharing box was built in 2009 in Wisconsin. There are now more than 175,000 registered, volunteer-led Little Free Libraries around the world. The Little Free Library nonprofit organization is at the heart of this phenomenon. Our growing network shares our mission to be a catalyst for building community, inspiring readers, and expanding book access for all.



Little Free Library By the Numbers



Little Free Library Highlights

- More than 400 million books have been shared through registered Little Free Libraries, profoundly increasing book access for readers of all ages and backgrounds.
- Thousands of neighbors have connected for the first time, building stronger and friendlier communities.
- Our Impact Library Program has granted more than 2,000 Little Free Libraries at no cost to communities where they are needed most.
- Our Indigenous Library Program has provided Little Free Libraries full of books to Native American and First Nation communities in the United States and Canada in partnership with tribal members.

- Launched in 2020, our Read in Color initiative
 has reached cities across the U.S. and distributed
 more than 50,000 diverse books celebrating
 BIPOC, LGBTQ+, and other marginalized voices.
- LFL has attracted high-profile collaborators including Amerigroup, Disney, Foresters Financial, Good Morning America, Goodreads, Marvel, Scotiabank, and Sony.
- LFL has been awarded the World Literacy Award and Guidestar's respected Platinum Seal of Transparency, as well as recognition from the Library of Congress, the National Book Foundation, the Women's National Book Association, and more.

Milestones



2009 - Todd H. Bol creates the first Little Free Library book-sharing box at his home in Hudson, Wisconsin **2012** - Little Free Library is officially established as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization

- In August, the 2,510th Little Free Library is built, and the goal of surpassing the number of Andrew Carnegie's free public libraries is reached 2013 - The National Book Foundation awards LFL an Innovations in Reading Prize

- Library Journal presents LFL with a Movers and Shakers Award, highlighting the thought leaders in the library industry **2015** - The Little Free Library Book is released, chronicling the journey of LFL and stewards worldwide

- In October, LFL is awarded the Library of Congress Literacy Award for its effective implementation of best practices in literacy and reading promotion







2016 - 50,000 Little Free Libraries are now found in all 50 states and 70 countries

- LFL's Impact Library Program launches, granting no-cost Libraries full of books to high-need communities



2017 - LFL receives Women's National Book Association's Second Century Prize **2018** - LFL receives the Force for Positive Change Award

- LFL partners with Disney and Marvel Studios to produce Avengers-themed Little Free Libraries

 The Today Show unveils their Little Free Library at 30 Rockefeller Plaza in NYC

- The 75,000th Little Free Library is given to an elementary school in Oklahoma via LFL's Impact Library Program



2019 - LFL celebrates ten years of Little Free Libraries with the first annual Todd H. Bol Awards for Outstanding Achievement - A Little Free Library is unveiled at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.





2020 - The 100,000th Little Free Library booksharing box is donated to the Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans in Houston, TX

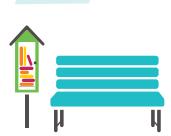
- LFL receives the World Literacy Award
- A Little Free Library is established at the South Pole, expanding Little Free Libraries to all 7 continents
- LFL launches Read in Color in the Twin Cities, a new initiative bringing diverse books to Little Free Library book-sharing boxes around the world
- 2021 The 125,000th Little Free Library is installed at the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming - LFL launches Unbound,
- LFL launches Unbound, a digital event series connecting stewards and supporters
- The Impact Library Program grants its 1,500th no-cost Little Free Library
- LFL rolls out Read in Color to nine additional cities
- LFL network reaches milestone of sharing 250 million books



2022 - The 150,000th Little Free Library is unveiled at a Head Start site in Lebanon, Tennessee - LFL debuts its mobile app for iOS and Android, making it easy to find Little Free Library locations near you—wherever you are in

- The LFL office relocates from Hudson, Wisconsin, to St. Paul, Minnesota

the world



2023 - LFL builds 500 Little Free Libraries for teachers with the National Education Association

- The Indigenous Library Program launches
- LFL hosts the first-annual Little Free Library Week

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