How to Host a Book Drive

in partnership with the Maryland Book Bank



Publicize your Book Drive

Spread the word that you are hosting a book drive to collect new and lightly used books for the Maryland Book Bank. We accept more than just children's books! We would love books for any reading level like board books, picture books, chapter books, young adult and adult fiction and non-fiction. Promote your drive through posters, flyers, social media, email, newsletters, or anything else you can think of. Make sure to mark a clear end date for your drive on all materials.



Prepare Collection Boxes & Locations

Use sturdy boxes that will be easy to pick up and move once filled with books. Place boxes in locations where many people will pass during the day. As boxes fill up, have more on hand to replace them. Store full boxes in a safe place until ready to be picked up.



Signed, Sealed, Delivered

Make sure your name or organization's name is printed on the outside of each box, then tape or tie the boxes closed. Please also write the total number of books on the outside of each box. **Deliver your boxes to 1794 Union Avenue, Baltimore MD 21211**. Unfortunately, we do not have the resources to do pick-ups for book donations.



Accept our gratitude!

The children's books you donate will be distributed by the Maryland Book Bank to children who have no books of their own. The proceeds from the sale of adult books help support our children's program. Since its inception, the Book Bank has collected and distributed almost a million books to under-resourced children, teachers, caregivers, and families in our community. The success of our efforts is due largely to the generous support of people like you!

