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## Make a difference in the life of a child!

FOR CHILDREN IN POVERTY, ONE OF THE BIGGEST OBSTACLES TO LITERACY DEVELOPMENT IS THE SCARCITY OF BOOKS IN THE HOME.

# 13:1 RATIO OF BOOKS TO CHILDREN IN MIDDLE INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS

#### 1:300 RATIO OF BOOKS TO CHILDREN IN LOW INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS

Neuman, Susan B. and David K. Dickinson, ed. Handbook of Early Literacy Research, Volume 2. New York, NY 2006, p. 31

WE ADDRESS THIS BOOK GAP BY COLLECTING NEW AND GENTLY USED BOOKS TO GIVE TO CHILDREN WITHOUT BOOKS OF THEIR OWN.

Research shows that children with books at home who are read to at an early age become better readers and so better in school. They are 'ready to read' when they get to school, knowing how to pick up a book, open it to the first page, and turn the pages. Books at home pictures. Preschoolers who don't have books at home miss out on these important lessons.

### GIVE YOUR OUTGROWN BOOKS A NEW HOME!

#### **BOOKS NEEDED INCLUDE:**

- BABY BOOKS
- BOARD BOOKS
- SPANISH LANGUAGE
  BOOKS
- RHYMING BOOKS
- ALPHABET BOOKS
- BOOKS BY Dr. SEUSS & ERIC CARLE

- CHAPTER BOOKS FOR ELEMENTARY READERS
- Number/counting books
- SHAPE BOOKS
- ANIMAL BOOKS
- PICTURE BOOKS



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