Little Red Reading House Book Bank

Proudly stewarded by the Owerko Centre at the University of Calgary

Our Impact in 2025

The Book Bank gave out

36,075

books to families and community partners.

The need continues to grow

Putting more books into the hands and homes of children in our community.



The Book Bank is our central hub, where book donations are collected and re-distributed throughout the community to groups like Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Calgary Food Bank. Since 2023, the Book Bank has given out 116,110 books to children.

How you can support the Book Bank:

- **Donate new or gently used children's books in great condition.**
- **Host a book drive with your workplace, school or community.**
- **Share the Book Bank with others who want to support children.**

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Why literacy matters

Talking and reading to children builds strong language and social skills

Reading helps children learn to manage emotions and focus on tasks

25% of children aren't reading at grade level by grade-3





Literacy & language skills lead to better academic success, economic opportunities and stronger mental health

Reading together builds trust, lowers stress, and strengthens bonds that last a lifetime

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