

Bernie's BOOK BANK

About Us

Founded as a 501(c)3 in 2009, Bernie's Book Bank collects, processes, and distributes **FREE quality, culturally relevant new and gently used books** for local children in Title 1 schools and early childhood programs. To date Bernie's Book Bank has delivered over **27 million books** to children, ages birth through sixth grade.

Our Mission

Bernie's Book Bank creates pathways to success through book ownership and empowers children to explore new ideas, gain knowledge, and strengthen reading skills.

Our Vision

A future where every child has equal access to books and the opportunities they inspire.

Transforming Children's Stories Across **Chicagoland, the Greater Milwaukee Area, and beyond.**

- Proudly serving Cook County, DuPage County, Kane County, Lake County, McHenry County, and Will County.
- Reaching over 315,000 children every year, and still striving for more.
- Delivering over 9 million books to Chicago Public Schools.
- Powering the mission of Bernie's Book Bank with over 1,900 dedicated volunteers every month.





Why should **your team partner** with Bernie's Book Bank to **enable positive life experiences** through **children's book ownership**?

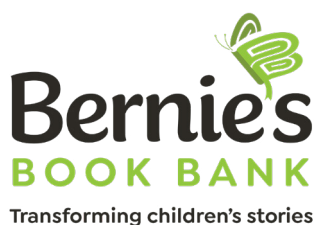
- Create positive employee engagement
- Cultivate corporate culture
- Enhance corporate brand image
- Demonstrate community connection
- Empower employee leadership
- Build relationships and network
- Practice sustainability
- Invest in positive social change

Ways To Get Involved (Corporate)

1. Add Bernie's Book Bank to your employee giving program
2. Become a strategic partner
3. Become an event sponsor
4. Become a matching gift partner
5. Reserve a volunteer session for your team
6. Host a book drive

Ways To Get Involved (Individuals)

1. Sign up to volunteer
2. Become a monthly donor
3. Purchase tickets to an event
4. Host an in-person or online fundraiser
5. Donate to our year-end campaign
6. Host a book drive
7. Stay in-the-know by joining our monthly newsletter



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