

Imagination Library of Middle Tennessee



In partnership with the Governor's Early Literacy Foundation and the Dollywood Foundation, Imagination Library of Middle Tennessee delivers an age-appropriate, high-quality book each month straight to children's mailboxes at no cost to families. All children in Tennessee, from birth to age five, are eligible. Books are personalized with the child's name and mailed directly to their home, making books exciting and inspiring a love for reading at an early age.

OUR IMPACT IN 2025



50,481
children served



510,768
books distributed



791,533
all-time graduates



72.5%
eligible
children reached

CHILDREN SERVED BY COUNTY IN 2025



31,353
Davidson County



10,365
Williamson County



8,763
Sumner County

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

Children who are read to regularly and early in life are better prepared for school. Ninety percent of physical brain development occurs in the first three years of life, when a baby forms more than one million new neural connections per second. Those early years are a critical window of opportunity for learning words and language.

OVER THE YEARS



7,222+

Read, Baby
Read! children
reached since
2018*



36,114+

birthing hospital
enrollments
since 2016



85+

community
partnerships



300+

volunteers

*Read, Baby Read! volunteers read to infants and toddlers at various early learning centers throughout Nashville on a weekly basis.