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Community Matters

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Thank YOU for Creating a Lifelong Love of Reading!

Thanks to YOU, over **100,000** Books Given Away to children in Washington County.

Dolly Parton said, "You can never get enough books into the hands of enough children," and in Washington County, we couldn't agree more. Because of the generosity of donors like you, children in Washington County hit a huge milestone – over 100,000 books have been given away to our youngest residents through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library launched in Washington County in October of 2015 as a component of the Washington County Youth Foundation's Happily Ever After Project, designed to address the complex issue



Jordan Zweydorff reading to his baby, Emmitt Zweydorff. Emmitt has been signed up since birth for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.Thanks to you, he will receive 60 books by the time he is five years old!

of early literacy. As Aaron Johnson, 2010-2011 Vice President of the Washington County Youth Foundation that implemented the program, puts it, "We can't make a difference overnight, but we can make a difference over time. If we can get more of our third graders reading at grade level, then more of the youth in Washington County will grow up to 'Live Happily Ever After'".



And, thanks to the generosity of donors like you, almost 3,000 children in Washington County have received free books, building a lifelong love of reading while creating amazing family bonding time.

We rely on our wonderful donors to help us with these programs. Please consider sponsoring a child for one year. The cost of this is sixty cents a week.... Less than a cup of coffee or a trip to the soft drink machine. However, this small gift can have a huge impact on the life of a child. Please visit (https://www.wccf.biz/heap/ways-to-donate) or scan the QR code to learn how you can get involved and give a child the gift of reading.



Meet Some Amazing People from our Community. Together, they did great things in 2024 with over \$198,000 in grants to make Washington County a Better Place!

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Greg Hopkins

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We honor them for who they are... and so that our gift will live on forever. Honorariums processed September 30, 2024 - December 30, 2024

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In honor of Carol Stead Karen Davis

In honor of Charles and Mary Hunt Steve and Julie Hunt

In honor of Jerry and Darlene Miller at Christmas Debbie Seebold

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In honor of Lindsey Wade-Swift Greg and Cindy McCurdy In honor of The SHS Class of 1955 Mary Etta Stearns

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Our Touch Tomorrow Donors show us that when we all work together, we can accomplish great things!



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In honor of Jerry Warriner Charles and Mary Hunt

In honor of Vernie and Linda Narvell Charles and Mary Hunt

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. **Pat Horner** Charles and Mary Hunt

In honor of Paul Elliott and Family Charles and Mary Hunt

In honor of Dr. Jeffrey Morgan and Staff Charles and Mary Hunt

In honor of Dr. Kristen Ingram and Staff Charles and Mary Hunt



Memorials processed September 30, 2024 - December 30, 2024

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Unseen, unheard but always near. Still loved, still missed, and held so dear.

In memory of Dale **McCauley** Bill and Tanya Dustin

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In memory of Brittany Morris Butch and Anne Terrell

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Celebrate the bond of sisterhood and the gift of life this Galentine's Day! Donate \$25 in honor of your best friend, mom, sister, or any amazing woman in your life, and **your gift will help to fund free mammograms for women in need**. Plus, your honoree will receive a special card telling her of your kindness and generosity.







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