Book Trust uniquely delivers choice and ownership of books to children from low-income families. Providing students the opportunity to select and own books of their choice results in better reading skills, a passion for reading, and greater family engagement in literacy.

124 Schools
35,000 Students
800,000 Books

“This is one of the best and most influential programs I have worked with in my 10 years of teaching. Students absolutely love their books and there are audible gasps of excitement when the Book Box arrives.”

- Book Trust Teacher -

STATES PARTICIPATING IN BOOK TRUST
Dear Friends of Book Trust,

You are our inspiration! Because of you, we get to inspire students to fall in love with reading. We get to inspire teachers who share that Book Trust is one of the most joyful parts of their job. We get to inspire parents who for the first time have a home library for their children and are becoming more involved with reading at home. Thank you!

Last year, over 35,000 students in over 124 schools in 15 states were inspired to fall in love with reading. Students became the proud owners of over 800,000 books last year alone. This brings Book Trust's cumulative impact to 4.3 million books since its founding in 2001. Over 1,600 teachers earned enough bonus points through their students' book purchases to supplement their classroom libraries with an average of 100 books per classroom—that's an additional 160,000 books in some of the neediest classrooms in the nation.

You inspired Maria. Maria was born in New Orleans just as Hurricane Katrina began pummeling the city. She and her family were fortunate to make it out of New Orleans and several years later Maria found herself attending a Book Trust school. Through Book Trust, Maria has fallen in love with science and animals and chooses books on these topics each month. Her goal is to become a veterinarian. According to Maria, “In order to be a veterinarian I need to be able to read about problems and solutions to help animals that I will take care of.” Through your support of Book Trust, you have inspired Maria to have a dream, one which she knows she can achieve through reading and education.

On behalf of Maria, and the other thousands of students you have inspired, thank you.

With gratitude,

Amy Friedman
President & CEO
MEANINGFUL IMPACT

Book Trust is a national literacy program which includes a step-by-step process to ensure students have the opportunity to fall in love with reading. Book Trust Teachers implement the Book Trust Program in their classrooms every month with their students. They prioritize empowering student choice of reading materials and building a strong classroom culture of literacy by helping their students choose 2-3 books from the Scholastic Reading Club flyer each month of the school year. Students are able to build their own home library of up to 30 books per year increasing family engagement in reading. As the program is implemented, teachers watch as even reluctant readers begin to love and find joy in reading. By creating a powerful reading environment, the Book Trust Program helps schools meet their reading goals and ensures more students reach their potential. Book Trust has inspired students to read more every day, become better readers, and spend time reading with their families at home.

“Every book I buy I read more than once. I share it with my brother, sister, cousin, and family. Every night I read books.”

- 4th grade Book Trust student -
4th grade
Book Trust student
“The thing I love about Book Trust is the big selection of books you can pick from. I didn’t have that many books at home and I wanted some books to read. Now, I have plenty of books from Book Trust. Thank you Book Trust for my books and for all the hard work you do to keep me reading all the time!”

1st grade
Book Trust Teacher
“Book Trust has given my students the opportunity to access more non-fiction selections which is critical to meet current reading standards. My first grade students are currently getting excited about reading chapter books. Book Trust is giving them the means to challenge themselves and improve their reading skills by providing access to higher level books.”

Kindergarten
Book Trust Teacher
“Book Trust definitely impacts literacy in the home by providing a home book collection for students and their siblings to choose, read, and reread from. Since involvement in Book Trust, the amount of family members reading together has increased greatly.”
According to Book Trust Teachers, Book Trust students reading at grade level increased from 41% at the beginning of the year to 70% at the end of the year.

89% of Book Trust Teachers say that the amount students read in the classroom and at home increased because of Book Trust.

71% of Book Trust Teachers said that Book Trust has increased family involvement with reading at home.
Revenues and support
Contributions
  Individuals $760,500
  Foundations $1,721,221
  Organizations $234,578
  Corporations $32,339
  Total contributions $2,748,638
Special events $353,080
In-kind contributions $245,995
Total revenues and support $3,347,713

Expenses
Program expenses $2,538,143
Support services
  Administration and general $150,884
  Fundraising $529,967
  Total support services $680,851
Total expenses $3,218,994

Change in net assets $128,719
Net assets at beginning of year $1,327,769
Net assets at end of year $1,456,488
Year ending June 30, 2015
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Kasia Iwaniczko MacLeod and her husband, David MacLeod, joined 350 guests for the annual Vino & Libri fundraising event helping to raise $150,000 for Book Trust.

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