

United Way of Washington County, MD

DAY  OF CARING

9th Annual

COMMUNITY BOOK DRIVE

Top 10 Reasons to Collect Books for the Community Book Drive

1. Collecting books is FUN and EASY!
2. Only 44% of children in Washington County entered school "fully ready to learn" according to the most recent Kindergarten Readiness Assessment.
3. Owning books is a critical feature of every child's intellectual development.
4. Providing books to children
5. Research shows that reading aloud to kids is THE single most important act you can do to help prepare a child for learning.
6. The number of words that a child knows upon entering kindergarten is a key predictor of future success.
7. Risk of not graduating high school increases if a child is not reading on level by 3rd grade.
8. Lack of basic literacy contributes to academic failure, substance abuse, teen pregnancy, unemployment, low productivity, and welfare dependence.
9. Your books stay local to Washington County kids.
10. 17,000 books from the last drive were distributed to children across 35 schools and organizations, but we still came up short on supply.

How to participate:

#1
Post flyers
at work

#2
Collect
Books

#3
You'll be
contacted
about book
pick up.