



Presenting Today



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VISION

Mobilizing
communities to
work together to
elevate our
youngest citizens
to new heights







The creation of Ohio Governor's Imagination Library





Logo pending approval



By the numbers

718,583

Number of children between birth and age five who are eligible for Imagination Library.

2021

The year we want every child in Ohio to be able to enroll in Imagination Library no matter where they live

\$5,000,000

Funds from the Ohio General
Assembly to jumpstart our work to put
more books in the hands of children
across Ohio



Funding model

88 Local County Affiliates

- -Raise 50% of funds for books and mailing
- -Enroll children, promote program

Ohio Governor's Imagination Library

- -Raise 50% of funds for books and mailing
- -Support affiliate programs





Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Manages selection, pricing and distribution of books



Books arrive in mailboxes for children across Ohio

Example County

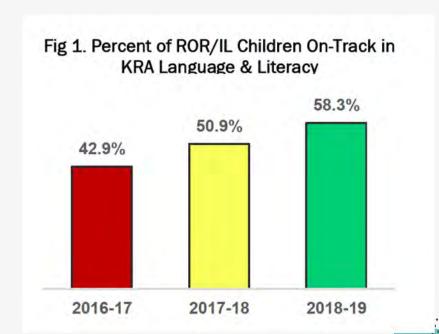
Shelby
68% Enrollment

		Annual Fundraising	Annual State
Shelby County	Age 5	Need	Match
Total kids under 5	3,533	\$44,516	\$44,516
Current enrollment 68%	2,401	\$30,253	\$30,253

Cincinnati study

Medicaid eligible, low income children ages 0 to 5





STUDENT PROGRESS

Since receiving books from the Imagination Library, parents reported changes in the following behaviors:

Parent Survey Item	Increased	Did Not Change	Decreased
Child brings books to parent to read	81.7%	18.1%	0.2%
Interest and enthusiasm	87.9%	11.8%	0.2%
Length of time reading	79.6%	19.9%	0.4%
Parent reads/shares books with child	87.6%	12.2%	0.2%





Options for I ibrary participation



Enroll kids online or via paper enrollment forms



Host fundraisers or allocate "Friends of the Library" funds to support the program



Manage the backend system to input paper enrollment forms and change of addresses



Use the Imagination Library books for programs and "coach" families on importance of early literacy



Promote the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library program and literacy efforts in your community



County Status

- Bright Green Above 50%
- Pale Green 35% 49%
- Yellow: 1% 34%
- Bright Yellow: 1% 34%

 Affiliate Growth Needed
- Pale Yellow: New Program
- Orange: Partner identified. Conversations in progress
- Red: No Program



Next Steps

Running a Library Program

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