



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE IMAGINATION LIBRARY IN TRUMBULL COUNTY

### What is the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library?

The Ohio Governor's Imagination Library, in collaboration with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, mails free books to children from birth through age four in participating communities throughout Ohio. In Trumbull County, the program is administered by [United Way of Trumbull County](#), as part of the [Reading Great by 8 Early Literacy Initiative](#). The goal is to promote early childhood literacy by increasing the number of Trumbull County children reading at grade level by grade three.

### How Does the Imagination Library Work?

Each month a new, carefully selected book is mailed in your child's name directly to your home at no cost or obligation to you or your family. To learn more, [click here to view our infographic](#).

### Who Is Eligible?

Children from birth through age 4 who reside in Trumbull County, Ohio.

### How Do I Register My Child?

Register online at <https://www.unitedwaytrumbull.org/imaginationlibrary>. Parents without internet access can sign up on a computer at a local library or visit one of our affiliates for a mail-in registration form. Forms are available at Akron Children's Hospital in Warren, Family & Children First Council of Trumbull County, Kinsman Free Public Library, McKinley Memorial Library, Mercy Health St. Joseph Hospital, Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP), Trumbull County Health Department, WIC, Warren City School District, and the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library.

### What Are the Requirements?

- The child (children) must be between the ages of birth through age four and a resident of Trumbull County.
- You must register online or submit an official registration form with United Way of Trumbull County.
- Notify **United Way of Trumbull County** any time your address changes. Books are mailed to the address listed on the official registration form. If the child's address changes, you must contact **United Way of Trumbull County** in order to continue receiving books in your new mailing area.
- Most importantly, read with your child and help your child discover a love of reading!

### How Are Books Selected?

If you are interested in the types and styles of books your children will receive, [click here to view our infographic](#).

### When Will My Child Begin Receiving Books?

Your child's first book will arrive 8 to 10 weeks after registration. Books are mailed directly to your home in your child's name and will continue to arrive *monthly* until your child reaches the age of five or you move out of the covered area. Because the national organization is so large, it takes a little while to get new addresses into their system. But once you get the first book, a new book will come regularly every month.

### Do You Have A Book List for Each Age Group?

Yes, [view it here!](#) (*Books are subject to change at any time without notice.*)

### My Child Is Receiving Books, But We Did Not Register Him/Her?

If you are receiving books, it is possible a friend, family member, neighbor or teacher signed your child up for this free gift! Enjoy! If you wish to stop these books from coming, please call the United Way of Trumbull County at 330-369-1000.

### This Seems Too Good to Be True!

We know what you mean. It really is a pretty amazing program, which is why **United Way of Trumbull County** is so happy to bring the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library to Trumbull County. There is no catch!

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine approved a \$5 million grant for the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library in July of 2019. The idea is that the state government will pay for half of the cost of the books and shipping, and then local affiliates will raise money for the other half. **In Trumbull County, the local donations are being raised by the United Way of Trumbull County.**

### How Secure is the Information Provided to The Imagination Library?

The Imagination Library and United Way of Trumbull County take information security very seriously. We will not share it or use it for any purpose other than this service.

### Can I Donate to Help Support the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library In Trumbull County?

Thank you for asking! For as little as \$25, you can provide a child a book each month for one year. United Way of Trumbull County accepts donations both online and by mail and in any amount. To donate online, visit [unitedwaytrumbull.org](https://www.unitedwaytrumbull.org), and click the donate button. Simply select the amount you wish to donate, then designate your donation to support the Imagination Library or mail a check or money order payable to **United Way of Trumbull County, 3601 Youngstown Road, SE, Warren, Ohio 44484** and include Imagination Library in the memo.

**DO YOU HAVE MORE QUESTIONS? FEEL FREE TO CONTACT UNITED WAY OF TRUMBULL COUNTY!**

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