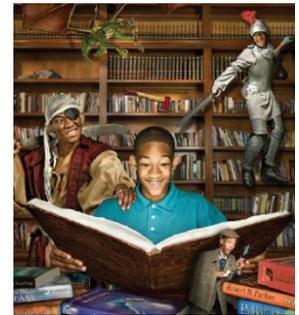


# A Book For Me

A Book for Me project was inspired by an amazing Pierce County volunteer, Margaret Ross, who created the Remann Hall book club for kids in detention. In attending several Remann Hall book club events, I was so impacted by the experience that I wanted to begin a book club for kids in foster care. Unfortunately, the ever moving, ever changing foster care environment for kids was not conducive to one being successful. I thought if we couldn't bring kids together to discuss books, we can at least bring books to kids to read and ideally share with their parents.



A Book for Me project was officially implemented on 01/15/16. As of date, we have provided approximately 750 + modern and culturally appropriate books to our foster children age's birth to 17+.

Pierce County CASA made it a requirement that GALs and CASAs alike will provide a new book to every child who comes into care. So – when they get a new case, they grab a new book and bring it to the child(ren) of all ages they are appointed to.

In starting the program December 2015, we received donated books through a Scholastic Books warehouse event in addition to having a book drive which benefitted from CASA volunteers donating books. We continue to receive some book donations from volunteers and some monies from CASA Kids, a nonprofit organization to purchase books. We purchase books from Kings Books, a local vendor here in Tacoma to support our local community small businesses. Kings Books have been extremely helpful with making our book library well rounded and diverse.

