



# Book Drive FAQs

## What are the dates I should host my book drive?

July 12 – 23, 2021

## What types of books do you accept?

- Books from our wish list
- Multicultural books
- Popular children's books
- Social emotional books
- Books for 0-5 year old's

## What don't you accept?

- Books with torn/missing pages
- Books that have been colored or written in
- Water damaged books
- Books from public or school libraries
- Books that contain inaccurate historical information
- Books with "adult" themes
- Books that are mildewed

## How do I decide if a book is too damaged to donate to Next Door?

As a rule, we always say: Would you feel comfortable gifting the book to a friend or family member? If not, then we won't accept it either. It's probably best to recycle.

## What do I do if people donate books Next Door can't use, such as adult, or damaged books?

These can be donated to a local charity or Half Price Books or recycled.

## Where should I set up my book bin?

High traffic areas are best- the easier it is for people to make their donation the more books you will collect. This could mean on your front porch, in a break room or entry way at work, or by the front door at school.

## How should I promote my book drive?

Word of mouth, social media, and putting up the poster provided a week before your book drive starts

## Can I do my book drive as a group?

Absolutely! Make copies of the information in your pack and have multiple people take part. The more donation locations the more books you will collect!

## Do the books I donate have a cash value for Next Door?

Yes! For every brand-new book Next Door can access \$5 of funding. For every gently-used book we get \$3. So not only are you providing books for our children, you are raising vital funds for our day-to-day programming.

## Why do I need to log my hours?

These also have a cash value for Next Door. For every hour you spend organizing, promoting, and sorting books for your drive, Next Door can access \$22.24.

## Where and when do I drop off my book donation?

Contact Jackie at 414.999.2509 or [jshanti@NextDoorMKE.org](mailto:jshanti@NextDoorMKE.org)

## Who do I contact if I have a question?

Riley at 414.999.2551 or [rstclaire@NextDoorMKE.org](mailto:rstclaire@NextDoorMKE.org)