

FIRST BOOK MEMBER PROFILE

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2,616

Members in Iowa



78,480

Kids Reached



187,467

Resources Distributed



TOP MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

- ◆ Spark Foundation
- ◆ Raising Readers in Story County
- ◆ Waterloo Community School District
- ◆ Broadlawns Medical Center
- ◆ Lutheran Services in Iowa

ABOUT FIRST BOOK & OUR NETWORK

First Book is a national, nonprofit social enterprise committed to elevating educational opportunities for children in need. Over the past 30 years, First Book has distributed more than 225 million books and resources to a network of 525,000+ educators working in underserved communities. All educators, caregivers, and providers working in a Title I eligible school, early childhood or out-of-school-time program, shelter, clinic, or other organization in which at least 70% of children served come from low-income families are eligible to join the First Book Community for free.

Benefits of Membership

- Stretch limited budgets — access free and low-cost books and resources for children in low-income, historically excluded communities
- Add voice to the largest and fastest-growing community of those working with children in need to help ensure equal access to quality education
- Leverage large-scale resource distribution capability
- Access micro-funding for books and resources

Join the network at FIRSTBOOK.ORG/NPP

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THE STATS

Top Job Titles of Members

Teacher / Teacher's Aide	42.16%
Program Director	6.42%
Principal	4.64%
Reading Specialist	3.72%
Library Staff	4.47%
Other	12.35%

Primary Ages Served

Early Childhood Program	24.21%
Elementary Program	58.94%
Middle School Program	21.66%
High School Program	13.20%

Top Organization Types

School	77.89%
Early Childhood Program	10.20%
Community Organization	3.92%
Out-of-School Program	1.96%
Faith-based Organization	1.24%
Library	3.20%
Health Department/Clinic	1.24%

Top Focus Areas

General Education	27.16%
Reading / Language Arts	11.53%
Special Education / Need	10.82%
School Library	5.87%
Early Childhood / Preschool	8.35%
Literacy	8.35%
Other	5.09%

IOWA IMPACT STORY

Three Iowa Campaign for Grade-Level Reading regions joined forces with First Book to expand literacy-based activities and ensure school readiness and literacy proficiency by the end of third grade. Leveraging resources made available through First Book, the collaboration engaged early childhood service providers, registered childcare centers, as well as family, friend, and neighbor caregivers. This included building relationships and improving caregiver service quality, engaging parents and families with children 0-4 who were not yet served by school districts, and addressing book deserts in our urban and rural communities. More than 60 organizations were connected to First Book's Network, and nearly 9,000 books were distributed to young children and families through this partnership.

