

ANNUAL REPORT 2025



Every
Child
Can
Read

Our Mission

Every Child Can Read, Inc. believes in opening a world of opportunities by growing a love of reading in young readers.

Our Vision

**Growing Literacy
Every Child, Every Family, Every Day**

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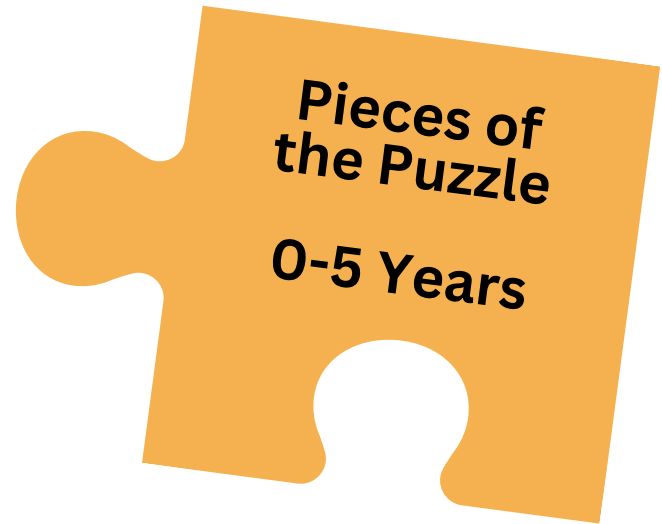
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**Putting
the Pieces
of
Literacy
Together!**



Why we serve...

- 90% of brain development occurs by age 5.
- Reading to babies provides the building blocks for language and literacy, and gives children the tools for forming lifelong social and emotional skills.
- To encourage parents and caregivers to read with their children 20 minutes everyday.
- To provide children with FREE age-appropriate books and adults with tips for reading effectively with children.



With your help ECCR distributed over 38,000 books in 2025!



- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- Community Events
- Rx for Reading
- School/Daycares
- Summer Bookmobile
- Books @ Birth



Working alongside local health care providers, schools, youth serving organizations, and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, ECCR is committed to reaching every young child in Wayne County.

Pieces of the Puzzle

6-9 Years

Why we serve...

- Proficient reading at 3rd grade is a major predictor of high school graduation.
- Students must transition from “learning to read” to “reading to learn” in 3rd grade.

Service growth in 2025...

- After-school tutoring expanded from 3 to 5 youth organizations
- Added school-based tutoring for kindergarteners at 3 locations
- Piloted summer program for English language learners in collaboration with Amigos Latino Center & Earlham College

94

1st-3rd graders tutored after school at Boys & Girls Clubs, Girls Inc, and Townsend Community Center

26

Kindergarteners tutored at Fairview, Starr and Vaile Elementary Schools. School based tutoring has expanded to County schools in 2026!

56

Students tutored over summer at Boys & Girls Clubs, Girls Inc, Townsend Community Ctr. and Earlham College with Amigos Latino Center

With your help
ECCR provided
543 hours of
tutoring in 2025!

Students receive instruction from certified teachers trained in the Science of Reading, one to one and in small groups.

By maintaining close partnerships with teachers and families, ECCR helps students stay on track to read at grade level by the end of third grade.





Every Child Can Read

Opening a world of opportunities by growing a love of reading in young readers.

Toddler/Preschool (K-Ready)

Elementary (The Reading Academy)



All Children

**Toddler/Pre-School
Newborn-5 years**

**Elementary
Kindergarten-9 years**

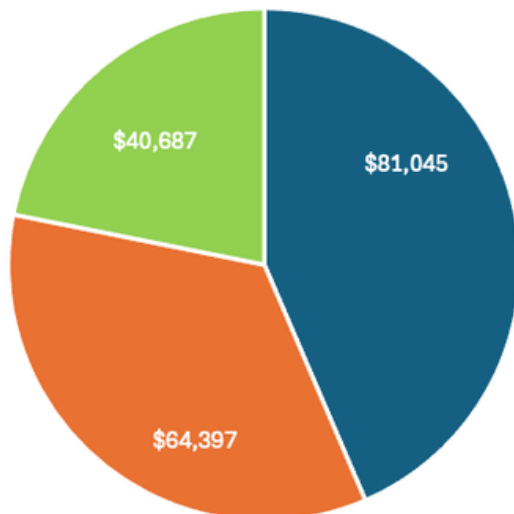
All Children

- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- Rx for Reading
- Books @ Birth

- Specialized reading Instruction
- School Year Tutoring
- Summer Tutoring

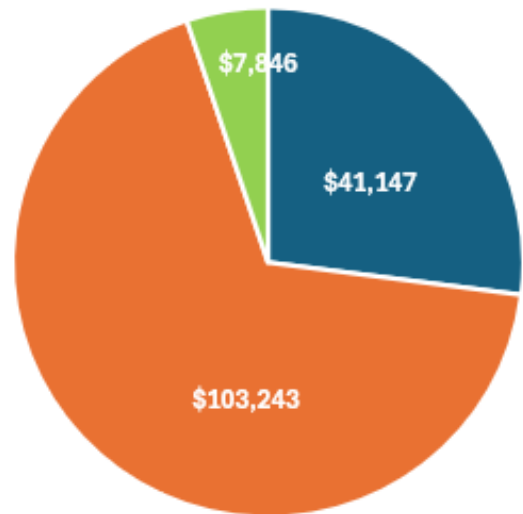
- Summer Bookmobile
- Little Free Libraries
- Events
- Community Partnerships

Income



Individual Donations Grants
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Expenses



Program Cost Administrative
Fundraising

You help complete our PUZZLE!

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Events 2025



Scholastic Community Book Fair



WAYNE COUNTY READS!



Readmore Donor & Volunteer Appreciation Night





Grant Partners

Grant partners support ECCR in many ways from administration to programming.

We are grateful for how you help to complete the puzzle!

- **3 Rivers Federal Credit Union:** K-Ready programs & Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- **The Braveheart Foundation:** Year round tutoring programs
- **The Dollar General Literacy Foundation:** Tutoring programs
- **The Early Childhood Literacy Endowment Fund:** Tutoring programs
- **The Kiwanis Club of Richmond:** K-Ready programs
- **The Stamm Koechlein Family Foundation:** Administration & programs
- **United Way of Whitewater Valley:** K-Ready Programs
- **The Victor Jose Fund:** Tutoring programs
- **The Vigran Family Fund:** Administration & programs
- **The Wayne County Foundation:** Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- **Whitewater Valley REMC Operation Roundup:** Summer Bookmobile
- **The Women's Fund of Wayne County:** "Girl Power" books for K-ready & tutoring programs

Thank you to our volunteers who are an essential part of our puzzle! ECCR isn't complete without you!

**315 TOTAL
VOLUNTEER HOURS
IN 2025**

**BOOK
PREPARATION
39.5 HOURS**

**BOOKMOBILE
68 HOURS**

**BOOK
DISTRIBUTION
114.5 HOURS**

**IMAGINATION
LIBRARY DATA
ENTRY
24 HOURS**

**LITTLE FREE
LIBRARIES
30 HOURS**

**ECCR
EVENTS
39 HOURS**



Program Partners



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