



## BOOKS FOR KIDS FOUNDATION

The Books for Kids Foundation supports early youth development and literacy for low-income and at-risk preschool-aged children across the United States. With a special focus on high-need communities, Books for Kids not only builds inspiring libraries in preschools, Head Start locations, and childcare centers, it also implements literacy programs designed to engage children (and the adults in their lives) in books and reading. A recent study found that by age 4, the average low-income child faces significant barriers to development and is 18 months behind more affluent peers. In its 30+ year history, Books for Kids has addressed this issue head-on, building out over 90 libraries in major communities across 13 states and the District of Columbia. Under the CRA, supporting critical development needs of low-income youth is a qualified *community development* purpose and would be eligible for credit during examinations.

## CRA STORY

### KEY FACTS

#### MISSION

The mission of the Books for Kids Foundation is to promote literacy among all children with a special emphasis on low-income and at-risk preschool-aged children. Books for Kids creates libraries, donates books, and implements literacy programs to develop the critical early foundation and skills which young children need to be successful in life.

FOUNDED	1986
IRS RULING	1990
TAX DEDUCTIBLE	Yes

#### IMPACTED GEOGRAPHIES

**Alexander City, AL; Goodwater, AL;** Phoenix, AZ; **Hawthorne, CA;** Inglewood, CA; **Los Angeles, CA;** San Francisco, CA; Bridgeport, CT; Greenwich, CT; New Haven, CT; Washington, DC; Chicago, IL; **Boston, MA;** Rockville, MD; **Las Vegas, NV;** Bronx, NY; **Brooklyn, NY;** Jamaica, NY; **New York, NY;** Nyack, NY; Yonkers, NY; Philadelphia, PA; Memphis, TN; Irving, TX

### CONNECT

findCRA:	BOOKS FOR KIDS FOUNDATION
Facebook:	Books For Kids Foundation
Twitter:	@booksforkidsorg
LinkedIn:	The Books for Kids Foundation

### PREPARED BY



www.findCRA.com  
1-844-2-findCRA  
info@findCRA.com

Certified: Apr. 2019  
Valid Until: Apr. 2020



1441 Broadway, Ste. 6008, New York, NY 10018

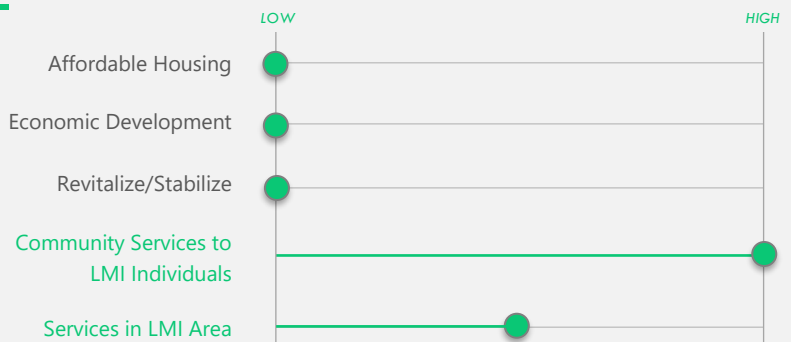


212-760-2665



www.booksforkids.org

### ORGANIZATION CRA ALIGNMENT



### CRA PROGRAMS & SERVICES OVERVIEW

#### STORYTIME PROGRAM

*Community Services to LMI*      *LMI & At-Risk Youth*      *Select Locations\**

The Books for Kids Story Time Program brings together volunteers and individuals such as from community members, retired librarians, corporate volunteers, and early childhood literacy experts who work with the children in our libraries to deepen their literacy experience. From puppet shows and sing-alongs to literacy-based arts & crafts, and group readings, all our activities bring books to life. We make learning fun and help build the critical early literacy skills our children need to be successful in life.

\*Select locations listed in bold under "Impacted Geographies" section.

#### LENDING LIBRARY PROGRAM

*Community Services to LMI*      *LMI & At-Risk Youth*      *All Impacted Geographies*

The Books for Kids Lending Library Program encourages and assists preschool-aged children to check out library books from the Books for Kids library on site at their preschool or daycare center. Books for Kids helps children and teachers learn the lending process so that each child can have a new book to bring home with them each week. We also encourage teachers to use the library and books to assist with their curricula and lesson plans. Our goal is to have teachers learn and become comfortable with the lending process to be able to run this program on their own.

#### BUILDING SCHOOL LIBRARIES PROGRAM

*Community Services to LMI*      *LMI & At-Risk Youth*      *All Impacted Geographies*

Through our Lending Library programs, we build print-rich and developmentally appropriate libraries for preschool age children in low-income communities. Our Library Specialists also work with teachers and parents to select books that complement classroom curriculums and build skills students need to improve on.