

Quarterly

Site Update

Summer 2022

**raising
readers**

Making Books and Reading Part of
Growing Up in Maine

More Books for Maine Children

The state of Maine announced that Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (DPIL) will begin expanding statewide in 2023. While some of you are already familiar with DPIL, we want to share that this service will begin rolling out to all Maine children next year, and that means more books for Maine's children!



We don't have many details yet, but we do know preliminary planning discussions have just begun between the Maine State Library and the Imagination Library. As soon as we know more, we'll be sure to share. From the DPIL website, we know that this program asks parents to register with DPIL, and the families will then receive a softbound book monthly through the mail until age 5.

Have no fear--Raising Readers isn't going anywhere. Our program is a separate entity from DPIL, and will continue to provide high-quality hardcover books which are chosen by Maine literacy experts and delivered free of charge to families via hospitals, midwiferies, and practices - all with deep gratitude to the Libra Foundation for their generous funding.

How to Host a Book Drive at your Practice

Your peers have let us know they've had success asking patient's families to donate gently used books (for kids of all ages!) to their practices. It's as easy as setting up a box for families to drop donations and printing a sign advertising the drive. Donated books can be shared with older kids at check-ups or with families in the waiting room. Please take note: we kindly ask that new Raising Readers books not be placed in the waiting room--when in doubt, look for the logo on the back of the book.

Site Survey

Thanks to everyone who has taken the time out of their busy schedules to complete the site survey this year. If you haven't completed it yet, don't forget to login to your site login area to access the survey questions and inventory link. **Need help or just prefer to complete the survey over the phone? Call us! 800-397-3263.**



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