

WHAT IS DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY?

DPIL provides a free book each month to children living in Union County that are ages birth up to five years old. The goal is to inspire a love of reading and create a home library of books for every child. The books are age appropriate and high quality. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library can help your child learn to love reading just by having print books available at home, having the excitement of receiving a gift book sent directly in their name in the mail, and most of all, spending time each day with your child to read. The first book sent is Dolly's favorite, *The Little Engine that Could* and the final book when the child turns five is *Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come!* DPIL books are exciting and shows the child someone is thinking of them!



HOW MANY CHILDREN DO YOU SERVE?

This program was started in Union County in December 2017. As of July 2020, we actively serve 5,221 children. We had 1,605 children graduate from our program. A total of **6,826** children have enjoyed **91,845** Dolly Parton's Imagination Library books in Union County! That's roughly over 1/3 of the population of children under five that is currently receiving Dolly books in Union County! We're able to do this thanks to community support! Our goal is to continue to grow and reach every child in Union County and bring the love of learning into every home!



"You can never get enough books into the hands of enough children."

A handwritten signature of Dolly Parton in black ink.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

- 1) Be a resident of Union County and have a child within the age guidelines of birth up to five years old.
- 2) Submit a registration form:
 - Online: <https://www.smartstart.org/dolly-partons-imagination-library/registration-dolly-partons-imagination-library/> to
 - In person: Alliance for Children, 2661 W Roosevelt Blvd, Suite A, Monroe, NC 28110.
 - By phone: 704-226-1407.
- 3) Notify the **Alliance for Children** at 704-226-1407 any time your address changes
- 4) Read with your child and have fun!



There have been 91,845 Dolly Parton's Imagination Library books distributed in Union County!