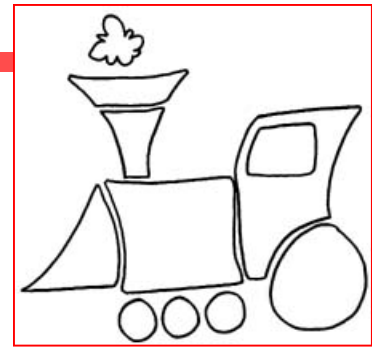


Preparing children for reading,  
One story at a time.



# Storybox Special

Book delivery  
for Home Childcare Programs



An early literacy project  
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## Why Storybox Special?

- Children ages birth-6 spend most of their time either
    - At home or with a family member,
    - At an institutional preschool or daycare,
    - Or at a home childcare.
  - Home childcares face some of the greatest difficulties in providing reading materials for their children.
    - A home provider usually does not have the time or staff to visit the library.
    - A home provider does not have the transportation to bring children to the library.
    - A home provider does not have the money to develop and maintain a “home library” of books and materials.
- Storybox Special seeks to fill this gap.

## How does the Storybox Special work?

- Boxes of 20-25 books are put together targeting:
  - Early literacy skills,
  - Developmental issues of growing children,
  - Bilingual stories,
  - Seasonal stories,
  - And professional development books for providers.
- Home childcare providers must attend a 3-4 hour early literacy workshop, offered free by the library.
- A box of books is delivered to the home once a month.
- Boxes rotate between the homes participating.
- Storyboxes are maintained as a separate collection within the library.

### QUESTIONS?

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