

Read Aloud Day 2019 kicked off the school year with 650 volunteers eager to read enjoyable children's books to every pre-kindergarten through sixth grade class in the Bridgeport public schools. Many of these volunteers continue to work in the schools as ongoing volunteers.

Reading Enrichment volunteers read aloud to classes weekly, bi-weekly or monthly. SVA provides a book a month for them to read and donate to the classroom libraries. **Tutors** work for an hour each week with students to help them improve their reading or math skills. They may choose a book a month to give to the students with whom they work to help them build their home libraries. The organization donated approximately **16,600 books** during the 2018-2019 school year to classroom and home libraries through these programs. **Mentors** meet for an hour each week with individual students to play games, work on projects or help them with their school work. SVA provides two enjoyable, out-of-school activities to promote these caring relationships.

Funding for all of these programs is provided by corporations, foundation and individuals who care about the students of the Bridgeport public schools and believe in our mission.



Volunteers Reading to Classes