



Sacramento Literacy Foundation (SLF)

Mission

Help all children in our community read at grade-level. Our Vision is that all children and adults develop the literacy skills they need to fully participate in our economy and in our democracy.

Who We Serve

SLF works to improve literacy outcomes across Sacramento County by increasing access to culturally relevant books, supporting early literacy development, and strengthening literacy practices in schools and communities. SLF focuses on early literacy from birth through third grade and works to address gaps through book access, teacher support, community partnerships, and policy alignment.

Project: Classroom Library Program

Seeing oneself mirrored in a culturally relevant book allows the young reader to use information they have previously acquired from their environments, which leads to a more successful and confident reader.

Funding will expand culturally relevant classroom libraries in Sacramento County schools, providing classrooms with diverse book collections, teacher resources, and support systems to increase student engagement with reading and improve literacy outcomes. The funding will expand SLF's ability to reach additional classrooms, strengthen teacher engagement, and improve program evaluation efforts.

Sustainability

SLF is actively building relationships with funders and working toward long-term sustainability through diversified revenue and future endowment

planning. SLF has aligned its work with literacy initiatives and legislation, including efforts to improve third grade reading outcomes by 2030. Long-term sustainability will require continued partnerships and additional funding sources.

How the Project is Transformational

- Significant community impact by increasing access to books and literacy resources for students who may not otherwise have them.
- Improving literacy outcomes can influence future educational success, economic opportunities, and community participation.
- Expanding culturally relevant classroom libraries throughout Sacramento County supports a broader vision of literacy equity and student empowerment.

What is Unique About this Project

SLF is the only organization focused on establishing and expanding culturally relevant classroom libraries throughout Sacramento County.