



## Our Running Champions of Children's Literacy

Our Reach Out and Read MN team is gearing up for another year of the Twin Cities Medtronic Marathon! We currently still have spots open on our team for both the sold-out 10 mile and the full marathon. As our runners from Grandma's Marathon this year can attest, running with Reach Out and Read is both a lot of fun and immensely rewarding. **The deadline to register as a charity runner is Wednesday, August 28th!** Find out more on our <u>website</u>.



Native Book Initiative with Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community

This July, thanks to a generous grant from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, we were able to deliver 800 books by and about Native people to 16 of our Reach Out and Read clinics. Read more about the importance of Native representation in children's literature and our work with the Mdwakanton Sioux on our <u>new blog</u>.



Save the Date: Books On Tap

We're excited to partner with LTD Brewing in Hopkins to hold our Books on Tap fundraiser on **Tuesday, Oct. 29th**, **from 4pm - 9pm**. Come enjoy some delicious beer with us as we raise funds for children's literacy! All are welcome. RSVP on our <u>Facebook event</u>. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to provide items for our silent auction for this event, shoot us an email at <u>info@reachoutandreadmn.org</u>.



## Back to School!

While it may be hard for some of us to admit, the school year is just around the corner. <u>Research has shown</u> repeatedly that reading in early childhood has major long term effects on a child's future success in school. That's why next week, we will be launching our first ever Back to School fundraiser, to make sure that every child in Minnesota is given the foundation they need to succeed later on in life. We will be sharing important information all next week about school readiness and the power of sharing books: please share with your circles!

Looking for some inspiration? These two girls read bedtime stories on Facebook live for kids across the world!

Check out their story here.







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