

# The Book Buddies Bulletin

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## A PROGRAM OF THE SAISD FOUNDATION

Book Buddies provides free books for SAISD students in grades PK-8, allowing these students to start and grow their own home libraries. Share your love of reading by helping kids in SAISD. With the help of volunteers and donors like you, Book Buddies delivers thousands of books to campuses across San Antonio. In 2020-2021, we delivered 50,000 books to 15,000 children during the school year and another 25,000 during the summer. [Click here to volunteer.](#)

## WE DID IT!!

I am excited to announce . . . we not only unlocked the \$20,000 matching grant, we exceeded that goal and raised a grand total of \$45,909. Because of your support and donors like you, this matching grant will fund Book Buddies for one year. Thank you for helping us fulfill our mission of mobilizing the community to invest in student and teacher success in SAISD. Placing books in the hands of students is one of the many ways our mission comes full circle. Thank you for being a part of it and the SAISD Foundation. Hope to see you at the warehouse sometime soon!

## Thank you - Book Buddies Matching Grant Campaign



### Book Buddies Matching Grant Challenge

FUNDRAISING GOAL

**\$40,000**

DONATIONS  
RAISED

\$4,859

\$10,909

\$20,909

\$45,909

#### OUR MISSION:

Book Buddies is a program of the SAISD Foundation that provides tens of thousands of free children's books to students in San Antonio ISD schools.

#### WANT TO HELP?

Learn more by visiting our website at:  
<https://www.saisdfoundation.com/book-buddies/>



#### GOAL REACHED: SEPT 23

During our annual Big Give campaign on September 23, 2021, we raised **\$4,609**. We had 34 individual donors. **Additional \$1,500** raised offline.



#### GOAL REACHED: OCT 25

**\$6,000** donation from Frankie Casseb Youth Literacy Club. **\$5,000** received August 25 and additional **\$1,000** received October 25. Additional **\$50** from individual donor received.



#### GOAL REACHED: OCT 25

**\$10,000** gift given by Harvey Najim.



#### GOAL REACHED: OCT 30

**\$5,000** gift from The Texas Cavaliers Foundation.

**\$20,000** matching grant from anonymous donor **UNLOCKED**. Exceeded **\$40,000** goal by **\$5,909**.

[Click here to volunteer during Thanksgiving break.](#)

## THANK YOU OCTOBER VOLUNTEERS!



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## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT - SAM BONAIME

"I heard about book buddies last year through working with SAISD as an AmeriCorps member at Tafolla Middle School. To me, volunteering is extremely important. Service before self has always been my motto, and being able to give back and help enrich the community I am a part of is a beautiful experience."

As a little girl, Sam's favorite books were The Little House on the Prairie Series!

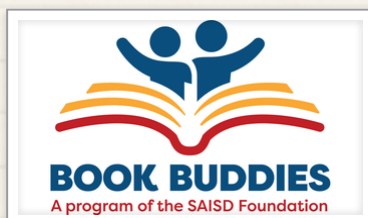
"I love Book Buddies' mission! I was lucky enough growing up that my mom was able to provide me with all the books I could ever want. And, being able to be surrounded by so much knowledge had a huge impact on my life, and the places I have explored. Books open a new world, and I strongly believe that every child should have the opportunity to read things that they see themselves in, and can aspire to be, and Book Buddies provides that opportunity! I keep coming back because I have built a community of people that make me feel at home!"



Sam volunteered every Saturday in October!! Thank you, Sam, for sharing your story and being a loyal volunteer!



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## Book Lovers Program

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