

Organise a book donation!

Have you ever stopped to think what it means when you reach to your bookshelf for a book? Have you ever wondered what it would be like to not be able to go into a local library and find the books you would like to read? Books play a very important role in our lives: we need them for school, to learn new things and for entertainment. However, for so many other young people around the world, the story is very different indeed. In many places books are not readily available and have become a rare commodity.

Why not get active in your own community to help someone your own age to be able to read and discover through books?

If you want to organise a book donation, here are some suggestions:

- Find out more about the problem of child labour and how we are all affected by globalisation. You can search the web and/or go to your local library.
- Involve others. Talk to your friends and peers about these issues. Brainstorm ideas for book donations and raise funds for sending the books to their final destinations.
- Decide where you want your books to go. Identify a country and destination for the books. Contact the ILO Office or organization you would like to send the books to and start communicating with them.
- Send information and photos about your activities to FUNDAMENTALS@ilo.org so that we can share this on our website!

See what has been done for World Day Against Child Labour in Geneva, with children donating favourite books of theirs with personal messages inside to share with children less fortunate than them:

- [Book collection for children in Uganda and South Africa](#)
- Book collection for children in Senegal: [Book](#) and [Event](#)