## **IS YOUR EDUCATION & LIBRARIES COMMITTEE LOOKING** FOR AN EASY AND EFFECTIVE PROJECT?

Reach Out and Read is an initiative that gives young children a foundation for success by incorporating books into pediatric care and encouraging families to read aloud together.

The recent approval allowing North Carolina access to federal matching funds over the next two years will establish the intervention in counties where it is not currently available.

Children from 6 months through age 5 receive an age-appropriate book at each wellness visit.

In the waiting-room, books are available to take home or for the parent to read to the child. In some locations, volunteers are there to read to the child and

model for the parents how reading can be fun.



## WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

- Provide new bookcases or child-sized furniture (benches, tables, chairs).
- Provide a story time rug.
- Donate books.
- Donate children's or parenting magazines.
- Provide bulletin boards or other displays.
- Do a fundraiser to help purchase books.
- Add murals, artwork, or photographs with literary themes or characters

created by art students. Reach Read

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