The Bookmobile brings library services to residents and students across Saint Paul who face barriers visiting the library’s brick and mortar locations and serves as a bright, colorful, and welcoming outreach tool to introduce people to Saint Paul Public Library.

By the Numbers

Bookmobile staff build strong relationships with library users who visit the mobile library for the opportunity to connect with friendly faces, as well as to access library services.

- **63,933** Visitors engaged with the Bookmobile who might otherwise not have any connection with the library.
- **59,897** Books, magazines, and other items checked out from the Bookmobile.
- **64%** Of Bookmobile users do not access other library services.
- **38** Regular stops across Saint Paul to serve residents who face barriers to visiting a library building.
- **58%** Of stops are in areas of concentrated poverty.
- **12** Languages heard at Bookmobile stops: Amharic, Dari, English, Hindi, Hmong, Karen, Mandarin, Nepali, Somali, Pashto, Spanish, and Urdu.
- **3,800** Children’s books given away at community events to build home libraries.
- **1,200** Students visit weekly to check out materials, fostering a love of reading and learning.

What we’ve heard...

“**I saw you at Summer School, you gave me an awesome sticker book.”** - Student visitor

“This place is so awesome. I love coming in here.” - 5th grade student at Bruce Vento Elementary

“My mom really enjoys her trips to the Bookmobile. It gets her outside and gives her something to look forward to.” - Child of a senior Bookmobile visitor

“I love how Bookmobile staff always know my name when I visit.” - Bookmobile visitor

Demographics of Students Served

- **42.1%** Asian
- **23.6%** Black
- **12.43%** Latinx
- **12.65%** Multi-racial
- **9%** Others